

## Bagnall Parish Council

### Minutes of the Meeting Tuesday 11 May 2004 Moorlands Village Hall, Bagnall

#### Present

Cllr Peter Adams (Chair)  
Cllr Peter Lawley

Cllr Frank Hayes  
Cllr Dave Pearson

#### In Attendance:

Denise Cooper (Clerk)  
0 Members of the public

#### 04.37 Apologies

Cllr Roy Hewson  
Cllr Sybil Ralphs  
Cllr Ken Simpson

Family Commitments  
District Council Commitments  
Annual Leave

#### 04.38 Minutes of Meeting held on 6 April 2004

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted as a true and accurate record.

#### 04.39 Matters Arising not on agenda

##### Village Road Name Signs

The Clerk, on behalf of Cllr Ralphs, advised that work was in hand to re-site the signs.

#### 04.40 Finance issues

Cllr Pearson advised that he has arranged for a quotation for the work to the playing fields to be forwarded to the Clerk.

A cheque for £224.74 has been received in respect of the last two quarters of the Lengthsman's Agreement with the County Council.

An invoice has been received from Wain Bros (Stoke on Trent) Ltd for removing the old seat and fixing a new seat opposite the golf course. This is in the sum of £252.63. Payment was agreed.

The Parish Council insurers have requested a renewal premium of £320.84. This was agreed.

Town and Country has requested £265.55 for cutting the village greens on two occasions and some lengthsman Agreement work. This was agreed.

The Staffordshire Parish Councils' Association has written to request reconsideration of our decision not to renew our membership last year. The subscription for this year would be £211.00. Following discussion it was agreed not to renew our membership.

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**04.41 Planning Applications**

Planning Permission has been granted for:

- Reacliffe House, Clewlovs Bank, Stockton Brook  
First floor rear extension

Refusal of Planning Permission has been received for:

- Blakewell Cottage, Clewlovs Bank, Stockton Brook  
Retention of conservatory

Planning Applications have been received for:

- Little Greenfields House, Eaves Lane, Armshead  
Replacement flat roof with pitched roof
- The Nook, Old Mill Lane, Bagnall  
2-storey rear extension and alterations
- Broughton Gate, School Road, Bagnall  
Front bay window and canopy

All the above applications were supported.

- Moorlands House, Clewlovs Bank, Bagnall  
Single storey rear extension

The Parish Council was not able to comment on this application, as the development intentions were not clear from the documentation provided.

Planning Appeal:

Greenway Hall Golf Club, Stanley Road Stockton Brook is appealing against the

- Refusal of outline planning permission for residential development, and
- Refusal of full planning permission for golf club house, parking, maintenance shed, new access and redesign of sections of golf course

The Parish Council has written to Planning Inspectorate in Bristol re-iterating the decisions taken at the time of the original planning applications.

**04.42 Footpaths, Highways and Maintenance issues**

**Playing Fields**

Cllr Hayes advised that he had received a copy of the draft lease for the playing fields. Cllrs studied the document to ensure that everything was in order.

The following points were raised:

- The lease required Public Liability cover of £5million, this was confirmed by the Clerk
- Concerns were raised at the wording around the option to purchase the field, Cllr Hayes will clarify this point with our Solicitors
- The Parish Council will be responsible for the maintenance and repair of the playing fields. Cllrs agreed to take a photographic record of the condition of the playing fields when we took on the lease.

**03.78 – Playing Fields**

Cllr Pearson advised that work would be put in hand following the Fete on 20 June 2004. The Clerk has approached Cllr Jebb, via e-mail, to ascertain if she is able to provide funding for this work to avoid using our very small precept. Currently Cllr Jebb has not spent any money within this Parish. To-date no response has been received. The Clerk will follow up.

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- i. Cllr Lawley reported that the Highways Department is currently undertaking some remedial work to the road surface by the Hospital. Although, we have previously requested curbstones to be position at this junction this work does not appear to be being carried out. Concerns were expressed that the pathway at this junction is very dangerous as vehicle 'cut' the corner. The Clerk will follow up this request. Cllr Lawley will speak to the contractors to ascertain if they have been asked to undertake surface repairs to the road by the Ford, and advise Councillors accordingly.
- ii. Cllr Adams stated that a resident has reported damage to the fencing around the green adjacent to their premises. Cllr Pearson will speak to the resident concerned and liaise with Cllr Simpson on his return.

**04.43 Environmental Issues**

Cllr Hayes read out extracts from the Minutes of the LA21 Wildlife and Countryside Committee.

**04.44 Correspondence**

- Moorlands Village Hall – Request to use the village green as a temporary car park and to erect a banner on the playing field perimeter fence. Both these were agreed.
- Staffordshire County Council – Consultation on New Fireworks Legislation. Unfortunately, no Councillors were available to attend the meeting. The clerk to request minutes for distribution.
- Letter of thanks from a resident for the re-instatement of the seat opposite the golf course
- Staffordshire County Council – Consultation on proposed traffic calming, Armshead Road, Werrington. Concerns were raised at the number of speed cushions being position and the Clerk was asked to request the use of speed cameras as an alternative.
- Staffordshire Moorlands District Council – Information on LA21 grants
- Restoration of the Core Ravine Woodlands of England and Wales – Invitation to visit a project.
- Staffordshire County Council – Invitation to contribute to a community history project.
- Staffordshire County Council – Notification of the publication of the Corporate Strategy 2004-2007. This can be found on their website ([www.staffordshire.gov.uk](http://www.staffordshire.gov.uk))
- Leek Arts Festival – Notification of events
- Staffordshire Moorlands District Council – Minutes of meetings

**04.45 Any Other Business**

- There was no other business.

The meeting closed at 9.15pm

Signed .....(Chairman)

Date:

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15 May 2004