

Bagnall Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting Tuesday 14 June 2005 Moorlands Village Hall, Bagnall

Present

Cllr Dave Pearson (Chair)
Cllr Roy Hewson
Cllr Sybil Ralphs

Cllr Peter Adams
Cllr Peter Lawley

In Attendance:

Denise Cooper (Clerk)
0 Members of the public

05.54 Apologies

Cllr Ken Simpson
Cllr Frank Hayes

Annual Leave
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05.55 Minutes of Meeting held on 10 May 2005

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

05.56 Matters Arising not on agenda

05.47 – Common Land within the Parish

The Clerk reported that she had endeavoured to find additional information, however, the only organisation that may possibly assist required the Parish Council to join. It was agreed to postpone discussions until the next meeting.

05.52-Removal of street Light, Bagnall Post Office

The Clerk had followed this request up with the appropriate authorities and been informed that the charge for removal would be £189.00 plus VAT. Following discussion Councillors agreed that the Parish Council would give its permission for the light to be removed, but any costs must be borne by the owners of property.

05.57 Finance issues

A cheque for £176.74 has been received in respect of the Lenthsmen's Scheme for the final two quarters of 2004/05.

An invoice for £10.54 has been received for the Water Trough. Payment was agreed.

05.58 Planning Applications

Full permission for development has been received in respect of:

- Little Brookhouse Farm, Thorney Edge Road, Bagnall
Erection of a freestanding portal framed agricultural building
- Bagnall Cricket Club, Bagnall Road, Bagnall
Erection of a safety fence

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Planning applications have been received in respect of:

- Oakland Villa, Houghwood Lane, Stanley
Erection of a detached garage
- Crib Mount, Clewloes Bank, Stockton Brook
Two storey front extension
- Rock Cottage, Bagnall Road, Bagnall
Erection of a detached garage
- Stile Croft, Clewloes Bank, Bagnall
Single storey side extension and rear conservatory

All the above applications are supported.

05.59 Footpaths, Highways and Maintenance issues

05.50 – Footpath 28, Footpath 32 and Footpath 14

On 28 May 2005, Cllr Simpson met Mr Lawlor from the Highways Department on site to look at the above footpaths and discuss methods of improving their condition. In respect of **Footpath 32** Mr Lawlor stated that most of the damage to the footpath was in the vicinity of the stables and suggested that we approach the owners to ascertain their willingness to contribute to remedial works. If the owners would pay for the labour costs, Mr Lawlor would provide materials free of charge. **Footpath 28** needs scarping and Mr Lawlor suggested we approach Steve Machin for a price; Cllr Pearson will speak to Mr Machin and report back to Council. Mr Lawlor advised that **Footpath 14** has now been re-instated, Cllr Simpson will inspect and report back.

- **General Village Maintenance**
Cllrs reported that a number of verges in the village require cutting back and the Clerk will write to the Highways Department. A letter enquiring about the progress of work to the pedestrian footpaths in the village will also be forwarded.
- **Horse Chestnut Trees**
Cllrs stated that the trees on the village green were encroaching onto the road area and it was agreed to contact Steve Massey at the District Council for his opinion.

05.60 Environmental Issues

05.16 – Environmental Issues – Spring Bank

Cllr Ralphs advised that following discussions the District Council had agreed to commission a survey of the area behind the well. Once this report is completed, in approximately six-weeks, the Parish Council would be in a better position to decide what works were required/could be undertaken in this area. Cllrs Hewson and Pearson, as adjoining owners of this land, both expressed a prejudicial interest.

05.61 Correspondence

- Staffordshire Parish Councils' Association – Pointers to Good Practice – a guide for town and parish councils. Cllr Hewson agreed to read this document and advise on its appropriateness
- Neighbourhood Forums – Notification of a meeting in Endon on 27 June 2005
- Community Council of Staffordshire – Notification of Parish Plan Promotional Events
- Staffordshire County Council – Have Your Say – statement of community involvement

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- Staffordshire County Council – Draft Sustainable Staffordshire Strategy response reminder. The Parish Council has already responded
- Staffordshire Moorlands District Council – Acknowledgement of response
- Samaritans – Request for donation – declined on this occasion

05.62 Any Other Business

- Cllr Pearson suggested that some event to celebrate Trafalgar Day in October 2005 be arranged. Cllr Adams will speak to the Village Hall Committee to ascertain if any events were being organised.

The meeting closed at 8.30pm

Signed(Chairman)

Date:

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18 April 2002