

Bagnall Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting Tuesday 8 November 2005 Moorlands Village Hall, Bagnall

Present

Cllr Ken Simpson (Chair)	Cllr Frank Hayes
Cllr Roy Hewson	Cllr Peter Lawley
Cllr Dave Pearson	Cllr Sybil Ralphs

In Attendance: Denise Cooper (Clerk)
0 Members of the public

05.101 Apologies

Cllr Peter Adams Annual Leave

05.102 Minutes of Meeting held on 11 October 2005

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read. Cllr Pearson asked that item 05.97ii-seat opposite the golf course is amended. The section commencing "Cllr Pearson will liaise ..." should be replaced with "the Clerk will write to the builders". With this amendment the Minutes were agreed as a true and accurate record.

05.103 Matters Arising not on agenda

04.53 – Playing Fields

The installation of bark is still awaited. Cllr Pearson stated that he will advise the Clerk in due course of quantities required. Cllr Simpson agreed to approach Jackson Nurseries to ascertain if they could provide suitable bark. It was envisaged that the area would be useable by Spring 2006.

05.104 Finance issues

An invoice in the sum of £267.90 has been received from Town and Country Services in respect of cutting the village greens and some lengthsmans work. Payment was agreed.

The Clerk presented an invoice to recompense for expenditure incurred in the production / circulation of the Newsletter in the sum of £1321.70. Payment was agreed.

05.105 Planning Applications

Refusal of planning permission has been received in respect of:

- Harthill Farm, Bagnall Road, Bagnall
Two storey rear extension

Planning application has been received in respect of:

- Oakdene, Stanley Road, Stockton Brook
Single storey extensions to garage, kitchen and bedroom

The above application was supported

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- Greenway |Hall Golf Club, Stanley Road, Stockton Brook
Alterations and extension to golf clubhouse

The associated paperwork was not enclosed with the application letter. This is being sought.

Application to vary Premises Licences under the Licensing Act 2003 have been received from:

- Stockton Brook Scout and Guide Group, Moss Hill, Stockton Brook

For information only

- Moorlands Village Hall, School Road, Bagnall

Following a comprehensive discussion it was agreed to consent to the variations in licence requested on the proviso that the following conditions were included within the licence variation:

- Someone responsible should be on the door. Their responsibility to cover
 - Ensuring no uninvited guests are admitted to the function
 - Moderating any misbehaviour
 - Calling the police as required
- The ultimate responsibility for any mis-conduct at any event lies with the Licence holder

Parish Councillors also asked the Clerk to ensure the Licensing Manager at Staffordshire Moorlands District Council was aware that residents within the immediate vicinity of the Village Hall had expressed concerns at the behaviour associated with events over the past few months.

A letter has been received from Staffordshire Moorlands District Council advising of a number of improvements to the Development Control Services.

Cllr Ralphs advised that Mr Baker and Mr Green from Staffordshire Moorlands District Council had extended an offer to attend the next parish Council meeting to discuss issues surrounding the development at Greenways Golf Club. This offer was accepted.

Cllr Hewson raised concerns with regard to an article in the Leek Post and Times regarding the Care Village being developed in Bagnall and asked that the Clerk write to the Planning Department to ensure that the conditions of the application were being adhered to. This was agreed.

05.106 Footpaths, Highways and Maintenance issues

05.78 – pavements within the parish

A site visit has taken place, with Mr Greatbatch in attendance, and a letter to confirm the issues raised was forwarded to him following the visit. We are currently awaiting his response.

05.97 – Litter bins on the playing fields

It has been agreed to remove the litter bin from the playing fields. A possible re-location site was on the car park, but this issue will be discussed further at the next meeting.

05.107 Environmental Issues

Cllrs raised concerns about the amount of litter behind the village hall building and the amount of anti-social behaviour occurring on the car park, particularly in the late afternoon / early evenings. The Clerk was asked to make the Village Hall Committee aware of our concerns and request that consideration be given to the

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erection of a gate, with designated key holders. The Clerk was also asked to request that Police surveillance of the car park be undertaken for a two-week period in an effort to resolve the unauthorised use of the car park.

05.107 Correspondence

- Two letters have been found at the Village Hall, neither of which were addressed to a specific person / organisation and because of the content were passed to the Parish Council. Upon further investigation, it has been ascertain that the intended recipient was the Village Hall Committee and these have now been passed on.
- Staffordshire County Council – Notification of advertising changes to speed limits along Stanley Road, Stanley Moss Lane, Stanley Bank/Stanley Village and Puddy Lane to 30mph
- Staffordshire County Council – Notification that bids under the Community Paths Initiative should be received by 31 January 2006
- Staffordshire County Council – Staffordshire Minerals and Waste Development Framework / submission statement of community involvement

05.108 Any Other Business

- Cllr Hewson advised that he will be attending the next meeting of the Leek Neighbourhood Form. He will await a response following the distribution of the Newsletter whereupon a decision as to whether or not to proceed with a local scheme will be made.
- In response to an enquiry by one of the Councillors, the Clerk stated that she had been advised by the Legal Advisor from the Clerks Council that it was possible to dispose of some of our common land. The person acquiring the land would take this subject to its common land status. The Legal Advisor suggested that Solicitors be contacted to ascertain any covenants in the title deeds and discuss cost implications. Further discussion at a later date will take place.

The meeting closed at 9.05pm

Signed(Chairman)

Date:

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12 November 2005