

Bagnall Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting Tuesday 8 August 2006 Moorlands Village Hall, Bagnall

Present

Cllr Ken Simpson (Chair)
Cllr Frank Hayes
Cllr Peter Lawley
Cllr Sybil Ralphs

Cllr Peter Adams
Cllr Roy Hewson
Cllr Dave Pearson

In Attendance:

Denise Cooper (Clerk)
0 Members of the public

06.71 Apologies

There were no apologies.

06.72 Minutes of Meeting held on 4 July 2006

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

06.73 Matters Arising not on agenda

Cllrs were pleased to see that Cllr Simpson had now recovered following his recent accident.

04.53 – Playing Fields

The Clerk had obtained a quotation for the replacement of the baby swing, the cost being £75.00 plus carriage and VAT. Cllr Pearson asked that the Clerk ascertain the seat's compatibility with the swing fittings and if so to place an order.

With regards to the goal posts, the clerk was requested to continue her pursuit of an alternative quotation.

06.74 Finance issues

- The internal auditor has presented his invoice in the sum of £107.50. Payment was agreed.
- Invoices totalling £772.14 have been received from the lengthsman for grounds maintenance. Payment was agreed.
- Severn Trent Water has presented their account for water standing charges of £10.19 for the water trough. Payment was agreed.

06.75 Planning Applications

Planning application has been received in respect of

- Red Ridge, Clewloes Bank, Stockton Brook
Rear extension and conservatory

The Parish Council supported this application

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Notice of appeal against an alleged breach of planning control has been received in respect of

- Land to the south east of Chez Nous, Clewlovs Bank, Bagnall

Cllrs felt that this development of a former derelict orchard with dilapidated tin sheds and abandoned vehicles, into a well cared for area that attracts a number of invertebrates, some of which are endangered species, was to be applauded and was therefore in support of the appellant's appeal.

- Bagnall Heights, Bagnall Road, Bagnall

A letter has been received from the Highways Department giving details of the modifications to conditions 11 and 12 and this was read out. Cllrs expressed their concern that no pavement was being built around the Bagnall Road / School Road junction as previously agreed. The Clerk was asked to write to Mr Derry, Highways Department, and Mr Green, Planning Department, expressing our disappointment at this blatant flouting of the conditions agreed and to invite them, together with a representative from the Countryside division of SMDC, to attend a site visit to discuss this decision.

06.76 Footpaths, Highways and Maintenance issues

06.06(iii) – Stanley Road – Bulbous tree

Cllr Ralphs will speak to Mr Greatbatch, Highways Department regarding the 'bulbous' tree on Stanley Road.

06.27(ii) – Common Land

The Clerk was asked to follow up Cllr Lawley's approach to the adjacent landowners.

06.49(i) – Clewlovs Bank – 40mph sign

Cllr Hayes asked for an update on the Parish Council's request to re-position the 40mph sign at the top of Clewlovs Bank. The Clerk stated that no response had yet been received from the Highways Department and she was requested to follow this up.

06.49(ii) – Horse Trough

Cllr Pearson has been unable to speak to his colleague and will continue his endeavours so to do.

06.49(iii) – Well on Thorney Edge Lane

Quotations for the repair of the well are still being sought.

06.67(iii) – Spring Bank – Tractors

Cllr Ralphs agreed to liaise with Mr Greatbatch, Highways Department, regarding this matter.

06.67(iv) – Chestnut Greens – Concrete Post

Cllr Lawley has still to action this work.

06.76(i) – Corner by the church

Although the hedge around the church yard has been cut back, some further tidying up work is required by the adjacent landowners. Cllr Pearson agreed to speak to the respective owners.

06.77 Environmental Issues

06.59(i) – Himalayan Balsam

A quotation from Jackson Nurseries is being sought.

06.78 Correspondence

- Neighbourhood Forums – Notification of the next Endon Neighbourhood Forum
- Staffordshire County Council – Information on the role of the District Partnership Officers

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- Staffordshire Moorlands PCT – Balancing the Books: additional decisions
- Staffordshire Moorlands District Council – Request for an editorial for the Parish section of *The Messenger*. It was agreed to provide an article on the re-furbishment of the swings in the playing fields
- Staffordshire County Council – Executive Summary of the local Transport Plan for Staffordshire
- Central Networks – Notification of funding available to build better and safer local environments
- Staffordshire Moorlands District Council – Notification of the draft Statement of Gambling Policy in response to the Gambling Act 2005
- Stoke on Trent City Council – Notification of the Local Development Framework “Inclusive Design – Access for All” Supplementary Planning document
- Stoke on Trent City Council – Notification of the Local Development Framework: Development Portfolio Preferred Options Report consultation

06.79 Any Other Business

- Cllr Hewson asked that his Declaration of Interest be changed to reflect that he no longer held an interest in Jackson Nurseries

The meeting closed at 9.15pm

Signed(Chairman)

Date:

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09 August 2006