

Bagnall Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting Tuesday 13 February 2007 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

The Parish Council passed on their congratulations to Cllr Ralphs on being awarded the MBE in the New Year's honours.

07.10 Apologies

There were no apologies.

07.11 Minutes of Meeting held on 9 January 2007

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

07.12 Matters Arising not on agenda

06.102 – Waste Collection – change in frequency of collection

Cllr Ralphs advised that new provision was being put in place to collect household kitchen waste on a fortnightly basis.

06.104 – Appointment of a new Clerk

The Clerk advised that some applications had been received. After discussion it was agreed to interview all the candidates.

07.13 Bagnall Conservation Area Appraisal

Cllrs stated that in general the draft document was very interesting, although it did contain a number of errors. As a result it was agreed to ask for an extension of the consultation period and extend an invitation to Mr Drage to attend a Parish Council meeting to discuss the document.

07.14 Finance issues

An expression of interest to tender for the role of lengthsman's has been received. After discussion it was agreed to continue with Jackson's Nurseries, but to include this company within our tendering list when the contract is let again.

The Clerk had paid the pro-forma invoice in the sum of £215.26 in respect of the advertisement in The Sentinel and request reimbursement. Payment was agreed.

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07.15 Planning Applications

Full Permission to Develop has been received for

- Jacksons Nurseries UK Ltd, Thornyedge Road, Bagnall
Change of use of existing coffee shop/protected plant area to potting, packing and plant protection area and re-location of the existing coffee shop to part of existing plant house

Notification of Agricultural/Forestry Development

- Bank Farm, The Green Bagnall
Steel Framed Storage Shed

Refusal of Planning Permission

- Land Adj to Fair Haven, Clewlovs Bank, Bagnall
Erection of a Subterranean Dwelling

Bagnall Heights

A letter has been received from Mr Green advising that work on the pavements around the new development is due to start shortly. Cllr Simpson advised that during a telephone conversation with the Highways Department, it was indicated that this work would now take place late March / early April 2007.

Old Reservoir, Bagnall Road

Cllr Simpson advised that the shed had now been removed, although the re-instatement of the rails to their previous condition was still awaited.

07.16 Footpaths, Highways and Maintenance issues

06.49(i) – Clewlovs Bank – 40mph sign

The clerk was asked to chase up progress on the installation of road markings on Clewlovs Bank

06.49(iii) – Well on Thorney Edge Lane

Cllr Hayes advised that the stone mason he had been liaising with did not appear interested in this job. Cllr Pearson will pursue a quotation from Mr Weston.

06.06(ii) – Stanley Road – Bulbous tree

Progress is still being monitored

06.58(ii) Burial Ground

Work is still ongoing

06.67(v) – Salters Wells – Trees

This is still ongoing.

06.85(iii) – spring Bank – cobble sets

Some 'patching' has taken place on the tarmet by the cobble sets.

06.86(i) – Bent tree on Greens

The tree has now been replaced

06.06(i) – pavements within Bagnall

Some surveillance work has been undertaken prior to repairs to the pavements taking place.

07.06(ii) – Seat opposite golf course

The seat has now been cordoned off and a quotation for the repair to the seat will be sought.

07.06(iii) – Fencing around the Quarry, Spring Bank

Jackson nurseries had submitted a quotation for renewal of two concrete posts on the village green by the quarry in the sum of £85.00 plus VAT. It was agreed to proceed and Cllr Simpson will liaise with the contractors.

07.06(iv) – Seat by the Church

This work is being progressed.

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07.16 – Village Green

Cllr Simpson advised that repairs had been undertaken to the chain around the village green.

07.17 Environmental Issues

There were no issues raised.

07.18 Correspondence

- Staffordshire Moorlands District Council – Notification of time line for election nominations
- Staffordshire County Council – Advise of changes to social and health care services for the elderly in Staffordshire
- Audit Commission – Notification of their success in agreeing a further 5-year fixed-rate contract as external auditors
- Enjoy England – Celebrate St George’s Day publication
- Staffordshire Moorlands District Council – Invitation to attend the Chairman’s Charity Ball
- Communities and Local Government – Notification of a Revised Model of Code of Conduct
- West Midlands Regional Spatial Strategy – Summary Leaflet
- Staffordshire County Council – Safely Around Staffordshire leaflet
- Staffordshire County Council – District Review of School Places
- Minutes of the Endon Neighbourhood Forum
- Staffordshire / Stoke on Trent Archive Service – Newsletter
- Letter from two young residents asking for consideration to be given for a youth club. Some research with the District Council and the Rotary Club will be undertaken and the issue discussed in due course

07.19 Any Other Business

- Cllr Simpson advised that he had attended a meeting to discuss the Canal project being led by Endon with Stanley Parish Council. As part of the canal falls within our Parish boundary we have been asked to provide a letter of support for the project and to provide a contribution towards the cost of the project. Cllr Simpson explained to The Chair of Endon with Stanley Parish Council that it would not be possible to provide any financial support and after discussion it was proposed that Bagnall Parish Council widen a small bridge to enable wheelchair access and take responsibility for the upkeep of the footpath. Cllrs stated that it was feasible for Bagnall to widen the bridge; however, this path was a designated footpath and therefore the responsibility of the County Council.

The meeting closed at 9.15pm

Signed(Chairman)

Date:

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14 February 2007