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Bagnall Parish Council

**Minutes of Meeting
Tuesday 12th May 2009
Moorlands Village Hall, Bagnall**

Present

Cllr Peter Lawley Chair)
Cllr Andrew Batson
Cllr Dave Pearson

Cllr Peter Adams
Cllr Frank Hayes
Cllr Ken Simpson

In Attendance

Roger Miller (Minute Clerk)
Denise Cooper (Retiring Minute Clerk)

09.38 Apologies

Cllr Sybil Ralphs

09.43 Minutes of meeting held on 14th April 2009

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

09.44 Matters Arising not on the Agenda

08.44 – Bus Shelter

Cllr Batson agreed to seek written confirmation of the verbal assurance provided by Cllr Jebb that the County Council would take over maintenance of the bus shelter. A report from Cllr Ralphs on provision of a waste bin was expected.

09.32 – Insurance

Cllr Batson had noted some items on the insurance schedule that merited review and would report his conclusions to the June meeting

09.45 Finance

08.84 – Clerk

It was confirmed that the hourly rate to be paid to the Clerk would remain £8.

09.46 Planning Applications

No planning applications had been received for consideration

09.47 Footpaths, Highways & Maintenance

06.49(ii) – Well on Thorney Edge Lane

Cllr Hayes reported further discussion with Mr Bettany about the timing and process of dealing with trees affected by this project.

09.25(i) – Footpath 28

Cllr Simpson reported that horse riders were still galloping along this footpath, which was likely to cause an accident. It was resolved that assistance be sought from Endon and Lime Tree riding schools to stop this happening (with no implication that riders from these schools were implicated) and Cllr Pearson agreed to ask them. Scraping the path had still to be undertaken.

Footpaths 12 & 25

Cllr Simpson reported that parts of these paths were almost impassable, being reduced to a swamp. Cllr Pearson, whose land adjoins, spoke of factors that had caused this state of affairs and consequent deviations by walkers. He thought conditions so bad at times that they could amount to a danger to pedestrians. It was concluded that there was no obvious way of improving the path and Staffordshire County Council ought to be consulted about remedies, possibly including closure. Cllr Pearson agreed to seek that advice in collaboration with Richard Whiting.

09.48 Environment

08.106 – Staffordshire Moorlands Development Plan

Cllr Batson agreed to review the final version of this plan to ensure that expectations, derived from reviewing and commenting on it in draft last year, that there would be no unwelcome housing development in the parish remained true. Any representations must be with Staffordshire Moorlands District Council by 19th June to be effective.

09.49 Correspondence

- European Parliament and Staffordshire County Council election notices: to be posted on notice boards.
- Sustainable Communities Act 2007 – invitation to make proposals: to be posted on notice boards.
- Staffordshire Moorlands Local Development Framework Core Strategy submission version.
- Staffordshire Moorlands Neighbourhood Watch Association -invitation to AGM on 11th June: any Councillor able to attend invited to do so and if possible advise the Hon Secretary in advance.
- Equality & Human Rights Commission – public sector equality duties reminder.
- Children & Lifelong Learning Directorate – provision of home reader service by libraries.

09.50 Other Business

There was no other business

The meeting closed at 9.15pm

Signed(Chairman)

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