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**Bagnall Parish Council  
Minutes of Meeting  
Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> August 2009  
Moorlands Village Hall, Bagnall**

**Present**

Cllr Peter Lawley (Chair)  
Cllr Andrew Batson  
Cllr Dave Pearson  
Cllr Ken Simpson

Cllr Peter Adams  
Cllr Frank Hayes  
Cllr Sybil Ralphs

In Attendance

Roger Miller (Minute Clerk)  
1 member of the public

**09.69 Apologies**

There were no absentees

**09.70 Minutes of meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> July 2009**

After three amendments of detail had been made, the minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted as a true and accurate record of that meeting.

**09.71 Matters Arising**

**09.32 Insurance**

The Clerk had arranged that RoSPA inspect the playground equipment.

**09.56(ii) Posts**

After a further brief discussion of options it was concluded that review should remain an agenda item. It was to be considered whether adding post maintenance to the lengthsman tasks might be appropriate.

**09.56(iii) Trees on the Green**

Cllr Simpson had accompanied the SMDC tree officer on 31<sup>st</sup> July to inspect the trees on the green. It was agreed that some pruning would be wise. Permission would be sought.

**09.66 (ii) Field 1685**

Following discussion by the Clerk with SMDC enforcement, identification of the relevant field on the road from Bagnall heights towards Werrington had delayed a visit. Meanwhile concern about inappropriate use of the field, perceived by neighbours as a serious nuisance, had grown and unapproved addition of a gate had been noted. Cllr Ralphs offered to stimulate prompt and effective action in this case of significant concern.

**09.66 (iii) Neighbourhood Watch**

Cllr Simpson had investigated further and been informed that that a Neighbourhood Watch scheme continued to exist so no further action was required.

**09.72 Finance**

Payments

It was agreed that invoices from Severn Trent Water (for £13.68), Forresters Chartered Accountants (for £110) and for hire of the village hall (£31.50) be paid and cheques were prepared and signed.

### 09.73 Planning Applications

09/00433/FUL Strong and unanimous objection to installation of a wind turbine at Greenway Hall on grounds of intrusion into the landscape (with potential for more should this application be approved) and probable noise had apparently not persuaded the planning committee of the unsuitability of the scheme despite officers recommending rejection. This decision appeared perverse and every effort would be made to reverse it. An article in the Sentinel on 31<sup>st</sup> July opposing wind turbines generally was circulated and noted.

Mount Pleasant Farm Outbuildings – no objection

Hillrae, Stanley Road – no objection

### 09.74 Footpaths, Highways and Maintenance

#### (i) Pavement

It was noted that the pavement by the church was in bad condition, probably caused by tree roots. Cllr Ralphs had written to ask for remedial action. Cllr Simpson noted that horses using footpath 28 were also affecting the footpath.

#### (ii) Salt Bins

Two salt bins had disappeared. Cllr Ralphs undertook to speak to the appropriate authority to get them replaced.

### 09.75 Environment

No new matters were presented.

### 09.76 Correspondence

- *Beat the Cold* had responded to an invitation to address the Parish Council at the October meeting and the Clerk would make arrangements.
- An offer of Summer holiday youth tickets on the bus had been received and would be displayed on the notice board.
- It was resolved that the chairman deal with a highways questionnaire.
- SMDC had written to ask whether any development sites not identified within the parish ought to be included in the local development framework. It was agreed that there were none.
- BT had written to invite the Parish Council to adopt red telephone kiosks. It was resolved not to do so.
- SMDC had written to invite contributions to its statement on gambling policy. It was decided to make no response.
- SMDC had written to explain a proposed management trial at Wetley Moor and invite comment. It was agreed that no comment was necessary.
- A photograph of the war memorial for inclusion in a county record had been invited. It was agreed that one should be provided and Cllr Lawley undertook to deal with the matter. That gave rise to a discussion of what more might be done on Remembrance Sunday. Cllr Lawley agreed also to consult the PCC.

### 09.77 Other Business

There were no other matters

The meeting closed at 9.15 pm

Signed .....(Chairman)

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