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THE MINUTES of an ORDINARY MEETING of TUTNALL & COBLEY PARISH COUNCIL held on Tuesday 11 June 2013 at 7.20 p.m. in the Community Hall, Tardebigge

Present: Cllrs L Denyer, P Whittaker, A Wheeler-Vine, M Ryan and S Cooper In Attendance: The Clerk

In the absence of the Chairman and Vice Chairman, Cllr Denyer was elected to chair the meeting.

1 APOLOGIES: Cllr Pengelly: holiday: accepted Cllr Tolley: holiday: accepted County Cllr Taylor

2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST:

- a) Register of Interests: Councillors were reminded of the need to update their register of interests, and
- b) To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests in items on the agenda and their nature, and
- c) To declare any Other Disclosable Interests in items on the agenda and their nature: Cllr Whittaker: planning items as he is a member of Bromsgrove District Council Planning Committee

Cllr L Denyer who is a member of the Management Committee of the Community Hall.

3 **MINUTES:** The Minutes of the meeting held on 14 May 2013 were approved. Proposed: Cllr Ryan Seconded: Cllr Wheeler-Vine; All in agreement.

4 PROGRESS REPORTS FOR INFORMATION:

Clerk: Further to the Risk Management item, it was agreed that items on The Cloud and Libel and Slander would be included as formal items on August's Agenda.

Chairman: Was on holiday.

District Councillor: Nothing significant to report.

County Councillor: No report.

Footpath Warden: The Footpath Warden had been in touch with County Hall for replacement footpath signs – two were missing and one had been damaged.

Tree Warden: Nothing significant to report.

Conservation Officer: Nothing significant to report.

Community Hall Representative: Surfacing of the car park entrance was still being costed but very expensive; still trying to obtain a separate post code; the bonfire was going ahead. **Charities Representative:** No report.

5 CORRESPONDENCE:

All items received were tabled in a folder for Councillors' inspection at the meeting and noted.

6 PLANNING MATTERS:

Applications for Consideration:

13/0330 The Old Vicarage, Church Lane: reinstatement of collapsed section of garden boundary wall. **It was resolved** to comment there were no objections to the application.

13/0410 Whitegates, Tutnall Lane: demolition of existing dwelling (Whitegates) and annex (Little Whitegates) and erection of replacement dwelling annex with improved vehicular access and associated works.

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It was resolved to comment - Members were disappointed that the proposal to take down the original Georgian property was being proposed. Members would like the Whitegates façade facing the road to be retained. It is felt that Little Whitegates is part of the street scene of early Georgian and Victorian buildings which have remained substantially unaltered over the last one to two hundred years. It is presumed the sandstone boundary wall to the road and the cast iron gate will be retained.

Approvals: 13/0170 Wheeley Farm, Wheeley Road: new vehicular access and closure of existing access to be reinstated to garden land: extension of time application 10/0058. 13/0204 41 The Park: construction of a single storey extension.

Refusals: None received.

Planning Matters:

The Planning Inspectorate: Application for the proposed Redditch Branch Enhancement Scheme: the examination was completed on 30 May 2013. The report setting out the findings, conclusions and recommendation as to the decision to be made will be sent to the Secretary of State for Transport within 3 months.

2013/0050/ENF: The Old Malt Shovel, Hewell Lane: works not in accordance with 12/0297: enforcement case closed – no planning issues.

- 7 HOUSING GROWTH CONSULTATION: It was noted that submissions had also been made by Bentely Pauncefoot PC, Burcot Village Hall and Hewell Grange Conservation Group.
- 8 **REINSTATEMENT OF COBLEY HILL WINDMILL:** No further news.
- 9 CHURCHYARD FOOTPATH: It is hoped work would start next week if the weather was OK.
- 10 **RAILINGS TO THE PLYMOUTH MEMORIAL:** The contractor should have the work completed by the time Members next met.
- 11 LENGTHSMAN SCHEME: Members agreed agreed 5 Skeys could raise the tree canopy on Broad Green at the cost of £30.

Tutnall Lane siding out: as the job was bigger than anticipated, it was agreed to ask the Lengthsman how long it would take to scrape off the grass growing in the road.

12 HIGHWAYS MATTERS:

Stoney Lane road closure: at the junction with Cobley Hill and Agmore Lane to install electricity cables on 8 & 9 July 2013.

Stoney Lane: all the gullies need cleaning out, they are all blocked. The underground pipe that empties into Wharf Lane at the Agmore Lane crossroads is blocked - as soon as it rains the water bubbles out and floods Lower House Barn. Cllr Whittaker had contacted the Hub in January and was advised it would be done.

Hewell Lane towards Burcot: Richard Clewer to be contacted about the gabions sticking out into the road forming a hazard; iron works have been raised are resurfacing works scheduled; weeds have grown over the raised ironworks sign.

13 COMMUNITY HALL CAR PARK ENTRANCE RESURFACING: Discussed under item 4.

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14	FINA	NCE: DRAFT		p924
	a)	Bank Balances: as at 31 May 2013 Current Account	£ 7,187.92	-
		31 December 2012 Deposit Account	<u>£ 3,800.98</u>	
		Total Balance	£10,988.90	
	ь)	Receipts: Co-op Bank: Interest 3 May 2013	£ 0.78	
	c)	Payments for Approval:		
	-	Simon Skeys: Lengthsman Scheme to 3 June 2013		
		T&C 16 hrs; Burcot 14 hrs;		
		total = 30 hrs @ £11 per hour £330.00		
		Shortfall in payment of June 2012 worksheet* of £ 66.00		
		3 cuts at Broad Green @ £42 per cut £126.00	£ 522.00	
		H Davies: Clerk's salary for: May 2013 £218.36 +		
		expenses 28 Feb - 31 May 2013 £210.39	£ 428.75	
		HMRC: for May's salary	£ 54.59	
		H Davies: Clerk's salary for June 2013	£ 218.36	
		HMRC: for June's salary	£ 54.59	
		Patricia Butts: Internal Auditor's Fee	£ 125.00	
		Total:	£1,403.29	
		*this was picked up by the Internal Auditor; we have already been reimbursed by WCC		
	d)	Unpresented Cheques: 5 Skeys	£262.00	
	e)	Outstanding Invoices: WCC Lengthsman 13/001	£523.00	
	f)	Quarterly Audit: had been carried out		

g) Finance Items - Proposed: Cllr Cooper and Seconded: Cllr Ryan; All in agreement

15 COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS:

Pocket Park Orchard had been mowed and sprayed because of leaf curl. The Footpath Warden proposed taking out some of the split ash trees in the winter. The proposal for regular mowings and the provision of a picnic bench would be discussed at the next meeting. Broad Green Island: Cllr Whittaker praised the quality of mowing and Members agreed thanks would be passed onto the contractor. Cllr Cooper agreed his details could be included on the Parish Council's 'away message'.

16 DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

Resolved: There will be an Ordinary Meeting at 7.20 pm on Tuesday, 13 August 2013 in the Committee Room of Tardebigge Community Hall.

The Chairman thanked everybody for attending and closed the meeting at 8.37 p.m.

Signed: Chairman