# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NORTON-JUXTA-KEMPSEY PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THE 24<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2010 AT NORTON PARISH HALL, LITTLEWORTH

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Accounts for Confirmation:

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		£
R. Pullen	Mowing/strimming May (7 hrs plus petrol)	47.35
J. Roach	Litter picking April/May (18.5 hrs)	107.30
New Farm Grounds Maintenance	Playing field grass cutting – 2 cuts in May	122.60
Security Patrol Services	Locking of Parish Hall gates (3 <sup>rd</sup> -16 <sup>th</sup> May)	61.69
Community First	Annual membership	20.00
Roots and Shoots Garden Services	Preparation of tubs and summer planting	195.00
	TOTAL	553.94

Accounts for Payment:

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Mrs J. Greenway	Honorarium June 2010	418.70
Mrs J. Greenway	Expenses June 2010	122.11
P. Skeys	Lengthsman work April and May	315.00
Severn Trent Water	Allotment water bill (16/12/09 to 12/6/2010)	136.71
Shear Perfection Ltd	Mowing of churchyard (£177) and Brockhill large	350.00
	grass verges (£173)	
	TOTAL	1,342.52
	GRAND TOTAL	1,896.46

**b**) Renewal of the CPRE annual membership at a cost of £29 was proposed by Cllr. Bennett, seconded by Cllr. Lucas and agreed by all at. The Clerk will renew.

## 21. 2010/125 Correspondence for Information

See Appendix 1 for a list of correspondence received. In response to a letter received regarding SMH operating hours, the Clerk will establish these and reply to the residents. SMH will be contacted if it appears in breach of the agreed operating hours. In response to a Your Views Form regarding horse fouling on pavements, the Clerk will reply that the Parish Council shares the resident's concerns and that the stables/livery yards are regularly contacted to seek assistance.

# 22. 2010/126 Clerk's Report on Urgent Decisions since the Last Meeting

The Clerk advised that there was nothing further to report other than those items already discussed during the meeting.

# 23. 2010/127 Items for Update to Local M.P.

A discussion was held regarding the content of Peter Luff's reports in the Parish Council newsletter and that perhaps these should be more factually based. It was noted that the Parish Council has previously agreed that these reports provided for the newsletter are not vetted for accuracy due to the nature of the reports. It was agreed that in future a disclaimer will be included in the newsletter advising readers that the views expressed in the newsletter are not necessarily the views of the Parish Council. Cllr. Mrs. McGovern will arrange.

## 24. 2010/128 Councillors' Reports and Items for Future Agenda

Cllr. Bennett advised that archiving of the slides via Pershore High School is progressing, albeit slowly. The next PACT meeting will be held on 19<sup>th</sup> July at St. Barnabas Middle School, Drakes Broughton. A notice will be included in the next newsletter advising residents how to report any HGVs seen travelling through the Parish that appear to be accessing EnviroSort or other facilities in Woodbury Lane. The Clerk will liaise with Cllr. Mrs. McGovern to arrange. Positive feedback was given regarding the new look front cover for the Parish Newsletter.

# 25. 2010/129 Date of Next Meeting: Parish Council meeting Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2010

The meeting closed at 9.35pm.

Appendix 1

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Association for Conservation	Request to lobby Harriet Baldwin MP to adopt Sustainable Energy (Local Action) Bill
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CALC	Updates on various matters, Wychavon Area Meeting (2 <sup>nd</sup> June)
Community First	Newsline magazine Spring 2010. E-Bulletin
CPRE	Campaigns Update (new pylons), membership renewal
David Paine, Worcester News	Proposed development on land adjacent to St. Peters Garden Centre
Engage Planning Mr & Mrs Arrow	Public exhibition re proposed development adjacent to St. Peters Garden Centre
Mr. Broadhurst	SMH working hours query  Feedback as proposed development on land adjacent to St. Peters Condon Control
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Mr. Sparling Mr. Wylie and Ms. Hubbard	Offer to water & dead head newly planted tubs at Parish Hall on a volunteer basis  Feedback re proposed development on land adjacent to St. Peters Garden Centre
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Mrs. Lovegrove	Concerns re access to the proposed development on land adjacent to St. Peters Garden Centre
Ms. Tisley NALC	Feedback re proposed development on land adjacent to St. Peters Garden Centre
New Farm Grounds	Events Bulletin. Direct Information Service Updates. Local Council Review Summer 2010 Playing field maintenance quote
Maintenance	Praying field maintenance quote
Pershore High School	An evening of School musical entertainment. 3 <sup>rd</sup> July, 7-10pm. Tickets £8
Pershore Volunteer Centre	Falls Awareness Event – 25 <sup>th</sup> June
Roots & Shoots Garden	Allotment fence quote
Services	Another tence quote
Rural Services Community	Weekly Rural Focus newsletters
Rural Services Network	Parish Newsletters
SMH Fleet Solutions	Confirmation that the clay pit infill work is mostly complete and that no more loads of infill
Sivili i leet Solutions	material will be coming on site. Small tidying up jobs are being finished off and Church Lane
	has been tidied and swept by the Contractor and Highways (who has also undertaken
	maintenance work caused by poor weather earlier in the year).
Soc. Local Council Clerks	Branch Newsletter June 2010
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SWJCS	Update following abolishment of Regional Spatial Strategies
The Richards Sandy	Quote for 2010/11 accountancy fees and final 2009/10 year end accounts
Partnership Ltd	
Unlock Democracy	Sustainable Communities Act proposals
Wickstead Leisure	Play equipment
Worcs Budgerigar Society	Use of the Parish Hall and request to erect a unit outside the Hall (c. 10' x 8') to store staging
	equipment for use at exhibitions/events.
Worcs CC	Winter Service for 2010/11 season
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Worcs Partnership	Partnership Matters magazine Summer 2010
Wychavon CAB	Thank you for donation
Wychavon DC	Agenda Standards Committee meeting 9 <sup>th</sup> June
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Wychavon DC	Community Planning Event 7 <sup>th</sup> June
Wychavon DC	Copy letter sent to Mr. Dunphy,8 Wadborough Road re watercourse maintenance
Wychavon DC	Copy letter sent to Mr. Smith, Pound House Farm confirming that watercourse maintenance
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Wychavon DC	Revised rates for subsistence and travelling allowances
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Your Views Form	Hedge maintenance issues (replied to)
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Two representatives of the new owners of the old Morganite site attended to provide an update on plans for the site and to listen to any concerns the Parish Council has.

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- 2. Molten Metal Products (a division of the old Morganite, already let)
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This will complete the site.

Concerns raised by the Parish Council are summarised as follows:

- Increased traffic through the village lanes. Wagons relating to Arrow Gypsum have been observed travelling through the village rather than using the B4084 as access.
- Arrow Gypsum has not so far been subject to planning conditions e.g. all traffic to use the B4084 as access. Perhaps there is scope for a voluntary agreement to be put in place?
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- The liaison group works well relating to EnviroSort and ideally a similar group could be convened for the Crucible Business Park tenants, owners, local residents and a Parish Council representative(s).
- Hours of operation, particularly evening and weekend opening.
- Safety of the Woodbury Lane/B4084 junction in view of increased traffic in addition to that from EnviroSort.

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## 19. 2010/123 Parish Emblem/Logo

Agreed to carry forward to the July Parish Council meeting and also consider holding a competition within the Parish for ideas that could be developed into a Parish logo.

# 20. 2010/124 Finance

**a)** It was proposed by Cllr. Bennett, seconded by Cllr. Lucas **and all were in agreement** that the accounts detailed below be approved for payment/confirmation.

Accounts for Confirmation:

Creditor	Detail	Amount
		£
R. Pullen	Mowing/strimming May (7 hrs plus petrol)	47.35
J. Roach	Litter picking April/May (18.5 hrs)	107.30
New Farm Grounds Maintenance	Playing field grass cutting – 2 cuts in May	122.60
Security Patrol Services	Locking of Parish Hall gates (3 <sup>rd</sup> -16 <sup>th</sup> May)	61.69
Community First	Annual membership	20.00
Roots and Shoots Garden Services	Preparation of tubs and summer planting	195.00
	TOTAL	553.94

Accounts for Payment:

Creditor	Detail	Amount
		£
Mrs J. Greenway	Honorarium June 2010	418.70
Mrs J. Greenway	Expenses June 2010	122.11
P. Skeys	Lengthsman work April and May	315.00
Severn Trent Water	Allotment water bill (16/12/09 to 12/6/2010)	136.71
Shear Perfection Ltd	Mowing of churchyard (£177) and Brockhill large	350.00
	grass verges (£173)	
	TOTAL	1,342.52
	GRAND TOTAL	1,896.46

**b**) Renewal of the CPRE annual membership at a cost of £29 was proposed by Cllr. Bennett, seconded by Cllr. Lucas and agreed by all at. The Clerk will renew.

## 21. 2010/125 Correspondence for Information

See Appendix 1 for a list of correspondence received. In response to a letter received regarding SMH operating hours, the Clerk will establish these and reply to the residents. SMH will be contacted if it appears in breach of the agreed operating hours. In response to a Your Views Form regarding horse fouling on pavements, the Clerk will reply that the Parish Council shares the resident's concerns and that the stables/livery yards are regularly contacted to seek assistance.

# 22. 2010/126 Clerk's Report on Urgent Decisions since the Last Meeting

The Clerk advised that there was nothing further to report other than those items already discussed during the meeting.

# 23. 2010/127 Items for Update to Local M.P.

A discussion was held regarding the content of Peter Luff's reports in the Parish Council newsletter and that perhaps these should be more factually based. It was noted that the Parish Council has previously agreed that these reports provided for the newsletter are not vetted for accuracy due to the nature of the reports. It was agreed that in future a disclaimer will be included in the newsletter advising readers that the views expressed in the newsletter are not necessarily the views of the Parish Council. Cllr. Mrs. McGovern will arrange.

## 24. 2010/128 Councillors' Reports and Items for Future Agenda

Cllr. Bennett advised that archiving of the slides via Pershore High School is progressing, albeit slowly. The next PACT meeting will be held on 19<sup>th</sup> July at St. Barnabas Middle School, Drakes Broughton. A notice will be included in the next newsletter advising residents how to report any HGVs seen travelling through the Parish that appear to be accessing EnviroSort or other facilities in Woodbury Lane. The Clerk will liaise with Cllr. Mrs. McGovern to arrange. Positive feedback was given regarding the new look front cover for the Parish Newsletter.

# 25. 2010/129 Date of Next Meeting: Parish Council meeting Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2010

The meeting closed at 9.35pm.

Appendix 1

Cor	Appendix 1 Prespondence Received for 24 <sup>th</sup> June 2010 Parish Council Meeting
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Association for Conservation	Request to lobby Harriet Baldwin MP to adopt Sustainable Energy (Local Action) Bill
of Energy	TY 1 ( ) (And Y
CALC	Updates on various matters, Wychavon Area Meeting (2 <sup>nd</sup> June)
Community First	Newsline magazine Spring 2010. E-Bulletin
CPRE	Campaigns Update (new pylons), membership renewal
David Paine, Worcester News	Proposed development on land adjacent to St. Peters Garden Centre
Engage Planning Mr & Mrs Arrow	Public exhibition re proposed development adjacent to St. Peters Garden Centre
Mr. Broadhurst	SMH working hours query  Feedback as proposed development on land adjacent to St. Peters Condon Control
	Feedback re proposed development on land adjacent to St. Peters Garden Centre
Mr. Sparling Mr. Wylie and Ms. Hubbard	Offer to water & dead head newly planted tubs at Parish Hall on a volunteer basis  Feedback re proposed development on land adjacent to St. Peters Garden Centre
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Mrs. Lovegrove	Concerns re access to the proposed development on land adjacent to St. Peters Garden Centre
Ms. Tisley NALC	Feedback re proposed development on land adjacent to St. Peters Garden Centre
New Farm Grounds	Events Bulletin. Direct Information Service Updates. Local Council Review Summer 2010 Playing field maintenance quote
Maintenance	Praying field maintenance quote
Pershore High School	An evening of School musical entertainment. 3 <sup>rd</sup> July, 7-10pm. Tickets £8
Pershore Volunteer Centre	Falls Awareness Event – 25 <sup>th</sup> June
Roots & Shoots Garden	Allotment fence quote
Services	Another tence quote
Rural Services Community	Weekly Rural Focus newsletters
Rural Services Network	Parish Newsletters
SMH Fleet Solutions	Confirmation that the clay pit infill work is mostly complete and that no more loads of infill
Sivili i leet Solutions	material will be coming on site. Small tidying up jobs are being finished off and Church Lane
	has been tidied and swept by the Contractor and Highways (who has also undertaken
	maintenance work caused by poor weather earlier in the year).
Soc. Local Council Clerks	Branch Newsletter June 2010
Soc. Local Council Clerks	Cemetery Management courses
SWJCS	Update following abolishment of Regional Spatial Strategies
The Richards Sandy	Quote for 2010/11 accountancy fees and final 2009/10 year end accounts
Partnership Ltd	
Unlock Democracy	Sustainable Communities Act proposals
Wickstead Leisure	Play equipment
Worcs Budgerigar Society	Use of the Parish Hall and request to erect a unit outside the Hall (c. 10' x 8') to store staging
	equipment for use at exhibitions/events.
Worcs CC	Winter Service for 2010/11 season
Worcs CC Highways	Access to the proposed development on land adjacent to St. Peters Garden Centre
Worcs Partnership	Partnership Matters magazine Summer 2010
Wychavon CAB	Thank you for donation
Wychavon DC	Agenda Standards Committee meeting 9 <sup>th</sup> June
Wychavon DC	Approval Notices:
	• W/10/00694 – Flat 4 Farrington, Crookbarrow Road (wrought iron hand rails to front and
	rear property steps. (Previously circulated to planning councillors).
	• W/10/00980 – High Park Cottage, High Park: Rear and side extension revision to
	planning app W/08/00416. (Circulated to planning councillors).
Wychavon DC	Art in the Park events August 2010
Wychavon DC	Community Planning Event 7 <sup>th</sup> June
Wychavon DC	Copy letter sent to Mr. Dunphy,8 Wadborough Road re watercourse maintenance
Wychavon DC	Copy letter sent to Mr. Smith, Pound House Farm confirming that watercourse maintenance
	work along the Radley bridleway is satisfactory.
Wychavon DC	Revised rates for subsistence and travelling allowances
Wychavon DC	Rural Play Initiative Grants 2010 (closing date noon on 13 <sup>th</sup> August 2010)
Wychavon DC	Statement of Licensing Policy – public consultation. Responses by 14 <sup>th</sup> September.
Wychavon DC	Update on flood alleviation proposals on land to the rear of the Wadborough Road following
	surveying work.
Wychavon DC	Village Facilities and Rural Transport Survey (which informed the SWJCS) has now been
	formalised. Study available to view at <u>www.swjcs.org</u> under 'publications'
Your Views Form	Hedge maintenance issues (replied to)
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Your Views Form	Horse fouling of pavements from The Retreat to the Garden Centre resulting in the need to walk in the road with a pushchair.

Two representatives of the new owners of the old Morganite site attended to provide an update on plans for the site and to listen to any concerns the Parish Council has.

Site lettings are planned as:

- 1. Arrow Gypsum Recycling (already let)
- 2. Molten Metal Products (a division of the old Morganite, already let)
- 3. Vocational training company (a change of use planning application is envisaged shortly)
- 4. Go Karting facility (a change of use planning application is also envisaged shortly)

This will complete the site.

Concerns raised by the Parish Council are summarised as follows:

- Increased traffic through the village lanes. Wagons relating to Arrow Gypsum have been observed travelling through the village rather than using the B4084 as access.
- Arrow Gypsum has not so far been subject to planning conditions e.g. all traffic to use the B4084 as access. Perhaps there is scope for a voluntary agreement to be put in place?
- In view of the conditions applied to the EnviroSort facility, the Parish Council would like to see similar conditions applied to this adjoining site as a common rule.
- The liaison group works well relating to EnviroSort and ideally a similar group could be convened for the Crucible Business Park tenants, owners, local residents and a Parish Council representative(s).
- Hours of operation, particularly evening and weekend opening.
- Safety of the Woodbury Lane/B4084 junction in view of increased traffic in addition to that from EnviroSort.

A question was asked by the owners' representatives about how what is being proposed compares to when Morganite was operating at full capacity. The general view was that the management of the site aimed to minimise the impact of operations, with perhaps 50/60 staff per shift and that since operations have scaled down housing in the area has increased.

The owners' representatives offered to meet up with Woodbury Park residents and the Nursing Home to discuss concerns they may have. The Clerk will liaise to arrange.