

# *Tutnall & Cobley Parish Council*

THE MINUTES of an ORDINARY MEETING of TUTNALL & COBLEY PARISH COUNCIL  
held on Tuesday 14 July 2009 at 7.20 p.m. in the Community Hall, Tardebigge

**Present:** Cllrs G Whitehouse, L Denyer, K Tolley, M Ashwin, S Orr-Cooper, L Hakesley,  
P Whittaker

**In Attendance:** County Cllr E Moffett, Clerk

**1 APOLOGIES:** None

**2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST:**

- a) Register of Interests: Councillors were reminded of the need to update their register of interests.
- b) Personal Interests: Cllr P Whittaker - planning items as he is a member of Bromsgrove District Council Planning Committee.
- c) Prejudicial Interests: Cllr L Denyer who is a member of the Management Committee of the Community Hall.  
Cllrs Tolley & Ashwin in respect of item 14.

**3 MINUTES Ref: P.771 - P774**

The Minutes of the meeting held on 9 June 2009 were approved. Proposed: Cllr Denyer:  
Seconded: Cllr Cooper.

**4 PROGRESS REPORTS FOR INFORMATION:**

**Clerk:** The Clerk's report was noted.

**HMRC:** Clerk to request reimbursement of time spent in trying to resolve the P9D return.

**Internet Banking:** Clerk to contact CALC as to current policy.

**Chairman:** Barn Dance: Special thanks to all those who helped, especially non-councillors.

The Chairman asked that any Members, who had to leave the meeting early, contact the Clerk so the date of the meeting can be changed to enable as many Councillors as possible to attend the whole session.

**5 POLICE REPORT:**

CSO John Tilt was on duty so unable to attend - his emailed report was presented:

9 June: Tutnall Lane: Accident between car and motorcycle. The motorcyclist was injured and taken to hospital by ambulance.

11 June: Anglo Welsh Holidays, Old Wharf: Vehicle stolen without keys.

25 June: Lower Bentley Lane: Travellers reported for collecting wood.

26 June: Stoney Lane, Wharf & Agmore Lane junction : Collision between pick-up van and motor bike. Both drivers attended the Police Station to report the accident.

26 June: Hewell Cricket Club: Rotary mower and hand-pull mower were among items stolen.

Crime Scene Officers attended and took prints. House to house enquiries were carried out in Hewell Lane properties nearby.

26 June: Lower Bentley Lane: Travellers reported for 'breaking up' one of their caravans.

26 June: A448: Driver lost control in a pocket of water, vehicle overturned and driver sustained a minor injury.

28 June: Laundry Cottage, Broad Green: Three young persons in a field when requested to leave displayed anti-social behaviour, including spitting and abusive language.

30 June: J Shed, The Barns: Items removed from the property were recovered.

In addition there were ten items relating to incidents at HMP Hewell, which included drug offences, assault and abscondings - details are available from the clerk.

The Chairman thanked CSO Tilt for his report.

## 6 **CORRESPONDENCE:**

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

## 7 **PLANNING MATTERS:**

### a) **Applications for Consideration:**

09/0493 2 Tutnall Grange: Proposed second floor external balcony to front elevation and two first floor balconies to rear elevation.

Resolved: To comment the Council hoped that immediate neighbours had been consulted and had no objections to this application.

b) **Approvals:** None received.

c) **Refusals:** None received.

### d) **Planning Matters:**

08/0727 Sheltwood Range, Sheltwood Lane: To retain on permanent base, one railway carriage, one mobile home, five touring caravans and one utility dayroom block with associated change of use and hard standing. Notification of appeal against refusal has been submitted.

Certificate of Lawfulness: High Bank, Hewell Lane: *Granted*

8 **BUS SHELTER, ALCESTER ROAD:** Agreed to defer creosoting until the shelter had been repaired following vandalism.

## 9 **LENGTHSMAN SCHEME:**

No new items were added.

## 10 **HIGHWAYS MATTERS:**

The County Councillor advised that M Walton, Liaison Engineer, Highways had agreed to another meeting specifically to cover Tutnall & Copley Parish issues.

Brockhill Lane / Hewell Lane looking towards Broad Green: Hedge cutting quotes to be obtained from the Lengthsman, Brookfield Contract Services and Mr D Goode (Cllr Cooper request the latter). In the meantime, the Clerk was asked to write to the owner requesting that the hedges be cut to avoid accidents.

Cllr Cooper advised that he'd raised the issue of the narrowing of carriageways and that vehicles are being forced to cross the central line causing a hazard to other road users at the PACT meeting on 7 July. Specific problem areas were - Alcester Road near Cherry Tree Barns; Hewell Lane near the Elbows, Vigo and Tack Farm localities; Tutnall Lane at the bend; Dusthouse Lane (several areas).

The County Council will erect a crash barrier outside Tutnall Corner, Tutnall Lane.

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Grit bin locations:

Tutnall Lane: near Tutnall Corner house; opposite entrance to nursing home.

Grange Lane: at Andrews' Coppice

Brockhill Lane:

by Brockhill Wood

opposite entrance to Brockhill Farm

opposite Rose Cottage

bottom of Oxleasowes

London Lane and Dusthouse Lane junction

Brockhill Lane: bumps opposite entrance to prison - to be reported again to the Hub.

Parish Boundary Plan: copies for Members to be obtained even if costs are incurred.

## 11 FINANCE:

a)	<b>Bank Balances:</b> as at 30 June 2009	Current Account	£7,178.84
	23 December 2008	Deposit Account	<u>£3,782.86</u>
		Total Balance	£10,961.70

b) **Receipts:** Co-op Bank: Interest 5 June 2009 £ 1.03

### c) **Payments for Approval:**

Brookfield Contract Services: Mowing Footpaths 18 & 19 on 15 June	£	24.00
L Denyer: Barn Dance expenses	£	40.39
Steve Cooper: Two kegs of cider for Barn Dance	£	88.00
SLCC-CiLCA Management: Fee for Power of Well Being CiLCA module	£	15.00
Worcestershire CALC: Power of Well Being Training for Clerk	£	<u>25.00</u>
Simon Skyes: Lengthsman Scheme	£	<u>157.50</u>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>£ 349.89</b>

d) **Un-presented Cheques:** Worcs CALC £308.15

e) **Budget Year to Date:**

f) **Application for Clerks' Training Bursary Scheme:** Bursary application for £50 approved.

g) **Finance Items - Proposed: Cllr Ashwin and Seconded: Cllr Denyer; All in favour.**

12 **BARN DANCE REVIEW:** A detailed breakdown would be given at the next meeting as expenses were still outstanding.

13 **PARISH WALKS:** It was agreed this would take place on Sunday 14 September. Publicity to start on 1 September and be billed as a 'gentle walk for all the community'.

14 **BORDESLEY PARK HOUSING SCHEME:** To be reviewed in September when more information should be available.

15 **CHRISTMAS WASTE COLLECTIONS / COMMUNICATIONS:** Bromsgrove DC will be distributing a presentation, which will be emailed to Members.

**16 REPORTS FOR INFORMATION:**

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**DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT:** Nothing significant to report.

**COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT:** The Councillor had a budget of £5,000 to be used for positive activities for young people (not schools) aged between 8 - 19 e.g. young farmers, brownies. Blackwell Scouts was suggested as a beneficiary.

Power of Well Being funds were available for older people to keep mobile.

Highways - Cllr Moffett has secured £500 for Bentley Pouncefoot to use a local contractor to cut hedges. Parish Council initiatives are likely to be favourable received.

Alcester Road verge cutting in advance of the Tardebigge Fair and Show on 1 August - Cllr Moffett is liaising with Highways direct to resolve this issue.

The Chairman undertook to contact Highways to request that the scope of the Lengthsman scheme be widened to encompass more hedge and verge cutting on 40mph roads.

Hewell Lane footway: M Walton advised that Highways would not carry out this work. The Chairman undertook to get a price for the work.

The Park: Request for a road sign. The Chairman explained that a sign could not be provided at the request of one person.

Grange Lane: The County Council will put 'slow' and white lines on the side of the road.

Alvechurch PC will need to keep the sign in their parish clear of vegetation.

**FOOTPATH WARDEN'S REPORT:** No report was available.

**TREE WARDEN'S REPORT:** Nothing significant to report.

**COMMUNITY HALL REPORT:** The solar panels were now in situ and the ground source heat area was being dug-out.

**CHARITIES REPORT:** No meeting had taken place.

**17 COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS:**

Hewell Lane: Grass in gutter /top of kerb from Broad Green to Tack Farm to form part of inspection with M Walton (see 10 above).

Ragwort: Letter to be sent to the County Council asking when they were going to honour their obligations under the Weed Act 1959 in verges in the parish under their responsibility as farmers were finding it difficult to eradicate.

Alcester Road: Hedge on the bend at Plymouth House; letter to be sent to the owner and added to the Highway's schedule.

**18 DATE OF NEXT MEETING:**

**Resolved:** There will be an Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council to be held in Tardebigge Community Hall on Tuesday 8 September 2009 at 7.20 pm.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 10.10 p.m.

Signed : .....Chairman

Date : .....