Tutnall & Cobley Parish Council

THE MINUTES of an ORDINARY MEETING of TUTNALL & COBLEY PARISH COUNCIL held on Tuesday 11 March 2009 at 7.20 p.m. in the Community Hall, Tardebigge

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

In Attendance: The Clerk, CSO J Tilt and one member of the public

1 APOLOGIES: Cllr Hakesley: apologies accepted

2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST:

- a) Register of Interests: Councillors were reminded of the need to update their register of interests
- b) Personal Interests: Cllr Orr-Cooper advised he might have a future declaration of interest if he converts the space over his workshop for residential use to rent.
- c) Prejudicial Interests: None were reported

3 MINUTES Ref: P.755 - P.758

The Minutes of the meeting held on 10 February 2009 were approved. Proposed: Cllr Orr-Cooper Seconded: Cllr Ashwin.

4 PROGRESS REPORTS FOR INFORMATION:

Clerk: The Clerk's report was noted. Cllr Tolley and the Clerk hoped to attend the Local Council Conference, 27 April at County Hall.

Chairman: The Chairman's comments were covered in the agenda items.

5 POLICE REPORT:

CSO John Tilt attended.

5 March: Benton's Farm: vehicle stolen.

26 February: Dusthouse Lane: 15 - 20 girders stolen. 25 February: London Lane Stables: quad bike stolen. 22 February: Newfie House: garage broken into.

The Chairman thanked CSO Tilt for his report.

6 CORRESPONDENCE:

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

7 PLANNING MATTERS:

a) Applications for Consideration:

09/0066 2 The Park: Proposed two storey extension to form sun lounge, utility with WC, bedroom and porch. **Resolved** to comment there were no objections to the application.

b) Approvals:

08/1032 Stoney Lane Farm, Stoney Lane: Proposed change of use of former redundant agricultural building to light industrial use and insertion of two new fire exits.

d) Planning Matters:

08/0727 Sheltwood Range, Sheltwood Lane, Bentley: Noted that the planning authority meeting agenda for 3 March recommended that planning was refused.

Awards for All Application for a projector and screen had been submitted on 5 March.

- 8 HOUSING NEEDS SURVEY: Nigel Potter, Rural Housing Enabler, Community First, summarised his draft report. There had been a 20% response rate, which was low compared to the usual 40% return. Of those who had replied 50% were in favour of supporting housing needs, 40% against and 10% undecided. Way forward:
 - Involve a local housing association if the Parish Council wanted to support those in need of housing.
 - Have a public meeting / exhibition to promote the results
 - Have a village walkabout with a planning officer

There is an 'exception site' in the parish which has only come forward in response to the survey and, if developed, units would only be available for those with a local connection.

9 LENGTHSMAN SCHEME: The Lengthsman to be asked to creosote the bus stop roof.

10 HIGHWAYS MATTERS:

Church Lane adoption: The Clerk to check the rules of adoption and advise the next meeting and school.

Salt bins: Clerk to investigate whether these could be provided and filled by Highways and, if not, associated costs.

11 **WEBSITE:** Members noted that the County Council had no objections to local businesses advertising on the Parish Council website and welcomed the decision.

12 FINANCE:

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a)	Bank Balances: as at	28 February 2009 23 December 2008	Current Account Deposit Account Total Balance	£3	,253.69 <u>,782.86</u>),036.55
b)	•		•	£ £ £	0.70 174.00 10.00 10.00 194.70
c)	Payments for Approval: H 5 Davies: Clerk's Remuneration £772.74 + expenses £234.83 HM Revenue & Customs				,007.57 193.18

- d) Un-presented Cheques: SLCC-CiLCA Management £55
- **e)** Quarterly Audit: The Finance Oversight Group reported the audit had been completed successfully.

Total:

£ 1,200.75

f) Finance Items - Proposed: Cllr Orr-Cooper and Seconded: Cllr Tolley

- 13 ENFORCEMENT: OLD WHARF, WHARF LANE: The report from The Enforcement Officer had not been received.
- RE-ADOPTION of Standing Orders Scheme of Delegation Financial Regulations Internal Financial Control Policy Complaint's Procedure: Proposed: Cllr Tolley, Seconded: Cllr Orr-Cooper; all in favour.
- 15 BARN DANCE: In aid of the Community Hall with a pig roast, wine and lager (sale and return) and cider. 50 100 people were needed for a viable event. The Parish Council was supportive of the proposal, which would be discussed again at the next meeting.
- PIG ROAST FOR TARDEBIGGE MAY DAY FAIR: Members agreed to support this event and pig roast on the understanding that no other food was provided. The quotation received from Ben Ascott was approved. Proposed Cllr Ashwin; Seconded Cllr Tolley; all in favour.
- 17 TREE PLANTING ON LAND ADJOINING ALCESTER ROAD: Any planting would have to comply with Highways specifications. As this area was on the Walking Bus Route it was suggested apple trees could be planted so the children could eat the produce. The Tree Warden would contact W Muggleton, Countryside Officer, WCC, to see if trees could be provided. The Footpath Warden was given a budget of £50 to source apple trees from Morrisons.
- 18 REPORTS FOR INFORMATION:

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT: No report.

FOOTPATH WARDEN'S REPORT: Nothing significant to report. The new P3 (contractor and volunteer proposals) had been received.

TREE WARDEN'S REPORT: The Tree Warden was asked to source tree guards from WCC. COMMUNITY HALL REPORT: Cllr Denyer would attend the next meeting on 12 March. CHARITIES REPORT: The Charities Group had met the previous week and advised that George Hadley, who had been sponsored by the Charity, had received a silver medal and had also come fourth in a skiing competition. £1,200 had been donated, with local schools receiving £800 for trips to an adventure centre and forest area created for children. The Vicar had been actively promoting the charity and help had been given to residents in need over Christmas, the recent snowy weather and some who had been made redundant. The Charity Members and recipients were really extremely appreciative of the Vicar's work.

- 19 COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS: None
- 20 DATE FOR ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY AND ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL: 12 May 2009.
- 21 DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

Resolved: There will be an Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council to be held in Tardebigge Community Hall on Tuesday 14 April 2009.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 9.22 p.m.

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Signed :	Chairman	Date :	