

Tutnall & Cobley Parish Council

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THE MINUTES of an ORDINARY MEETING of TUTNALL & COBLEY PARISH COUNCIL
held on Tuesday 11 January 2011 at 7.20 p.m. in the Community Hall, Tardebigge

Present: Cllrs G Whitehouse, L Denyer, P Whittaker, M Ashwin, K Tolley, C Hicks
In Attendance: County Cllr E Moffett, the Clerk

1 **APOLOGIES:** Cllrs M Pengelly and S Cooper, both ill. 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 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.

3 **MINUTES Ref: P.831 - P833**

The Minutes of the meeting held on 12 December 2010 were approved. All in agreement.

4 **PROGRESS REPORTS FOR INFORMATION:**

Clerk: The Clerk's report was noted.

Chairman: The Chairman's comments would be covered in the meeting.

Police: CSO John Tilt's emailed report was noted.

District Councillor: There would be no affordable housing built at Hewell Close due to a change in the funding regime.

Choice Based Lettings: not points based anymore but banded - gold, silver and bronze.

Applicants can bid for houses that are coming up for rental through the website.

County Councillor: Additional budget cuts have been announced.

Old Wharf flooding: Severn Trent are still investigating and will arrange a meeting; hopefully Cllrs Whittaker & Tolley, Richard Clewer, WCC, and British Waterways will attend. The County Cllr will ask Dan Ballard, contractor instructed by Severn Trent, to contact Cllr Whittaker who can advise how the water arrives at the Old Wharf.

Footpath Warden: Nothing significant to report.

Tree Warden: Nothing to report.

Community Hall Representative: Will request the meeting room is cleared in time for the meeting. Will ask that the query about the footpath running from the canal to the churchyard be put in writing.

Charities Representative: No meeting had taken place.

Conservation Officer: The letter concerning the dilapidated state of the railings around the Earl of Plymouth's grave was ready to be sent.

The Tree Warden is asked to inspect, and take advice on, the hedge on New Wharf as this might be at risk of grubbing up.

5 **CORRESPONDENCE:**

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

6 PLANNING MATTERS:**Applications for Consideration:**

10/1217 The Old Malt Shovel, Hewell Lane: Re-conversion from one dwelling into two dwellings.

Resolved to comment that there were no objections to the application.

10/1239 Weighbridge House, The Old Wharf: Proposed two storey rear extension.

Resolved to comment that there were no objections to the application.

Approvals: None received.

Refusals: None received.

Planning Matters: 10/1080 41 The Park: single storey extension etc - withdrawn.

7 TUTNALL CLOSE POST BOX: The post box had been re-opened. There has been no response to the Parish Council's letter on this matter.

8 COMMUNITY RESILIENCE: Following the newsletter article, it was noted that no one had been in touch offering assistance.

9 LENGTHSMAN SCHEME: Hewell Lane: tree covered in ivy near The Vigo and leaning into the road. Lengthsman to inspect and deal with if possible.

10 HIGHWAYS MATTERS:

Grit: Cllr Tolley had been contacted by WCC to arrange delivery of 5t. This did not materialise as the grit had been recalled due to the deterioration in the weather. Cllr Tolley was able to obtain grit from Bentley and cleared Brockhill Lane so the gritter could get through.

The County Cllr agreed to find out:

whether Tardebigge School had access to a separate grit supply.

whether Grange Lane could be included on the gritting route. The canal bridge weight restriction was thought to be a problem. Could Cllr Whittaker grit?

11 PARISH COMMUNITY PAYBACK: The minutes of the meeting on 18 November were still awaited from West Mercia Probation Service.

12 BROAD GREEN MOWING TENDER: Schedule of Works was agreed; tender closing date would be 5pm Tuesday 8 February 2011.

13 NEWSLETTER: Delivery routes and numbers were confirmed.

14 BULB PLANTING: The bulbs provided by Webbs of Wychbold would be planted by Members on Sunday 23 January.

15 FINANCE: to consider:

a)	Bank Balances: as at 31 December 2010	Current Account	£6,075.17
		31 December 2010 Deposit Account	<u>£3,793.86</u>
		Total Balance	£9,869.03

b)	Receipts:	Co-op Bank: Interest 3 December 2010	£	0.73
c)	Receipts on Deposit Account:	Interest 1 April 2010	£	1.73
		5 October 2010	£	1.82
d)	Payments for Approval:			
		NEW College: Newsletter printing £ 350 + VAT £61.25	£	411.25
e)	Unpresented Cheques:	Three cheques totalling	£	537.50
f)	Budget / Precept:	The budget and precept of £7,280 for 2011/2012 was approved.		
g)	On-line Banking:	To progress on-line banking ahead of legislation.		
h)	Finance Items – Proposed:	Cllr Denyer and Seconded: Cllr Hicks	All in agreement.	

16 COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS:

Alcester Road canal bridge: British Waterways to be contacted to ascertain when repairs would take place.

17 DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

Resolved: There will be an Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council to be held at 7.20pm at Tardebigge Community Hall on Tuesday, 8 February 2011.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 10.00 p.m.

Signed :Chairman

Date : 8 February 2011