

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF SNITTERFIELD PARISH COUNCIL
HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON MONDAY 13th JUNE, 2011,
COMMENCING AT 7-30 P.M.**

PRESENT

Councillor Mrs. M. Rendell (Chairman)
Councillor R.J. Fitchford
Councillor Miss C. Kimberley
Councillor Mrs. S. Morlidge
Councillor G.J. Stammers

District Councillor Mrs. H. Hayter

Clerk 8 Members of Public

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr. Darren Brown

Outlined a Planning Application to be submitted concerning the erection of a conservatory at Blossom Cottage, The Green. He said that the plans would show a reduced size to the previously refused Application
The Chairman said that this information would be borne in mind when the Planning Consultation was received

Ms. Ann Farr

Spoke in her capacity as Secretary of the Village Hall Management Committee. She said that she had received notification from Stratford on Avon District Council of the intention to make a charge for Refuse and Recycling Collections for Village Halls. The annual charge would amount to £229 per bin
She said that the Village Hall currently has 5 bins and all were deemed to be necessary
Various suggestions were put forward to relieve the cost, including a reduction of the number of bins, a review of the charges to users of the Village Hall and changing to an alternative contractor
It was agreed to review the matter further at the July Meeting

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor G. Norris on holiday
County Councillor R.G. Hobbs

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

3. MINUTES

The Clerk explained that his computer had been infiltrated by a virus and was currently out of order. Therefore, the Minutes of the Meeting held on 9th May, 2011 were not available

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

(a) Repairs to Street Light – Bell Lane

Councillor Fitchford reported that the street light had been inspected by a local qualified electrician. He had concurred with the report of the E.ON electrician that the pole bracket was in a poor condition and beyond repair

After discussion, Councillor Mrs. Morlidge proposed, Councillor Fitchford seconded

‘That the quotation from E.ON of £775-00, plus VAT to remove and dispose of the existing pole bracket, lantern, lamp and gear and to supply and install replacement be accepted’

So resolved

(b) Enforcement Order – Hawkswood Farm

The Chairman reported that she had confirmation that the containers had been removed from the site

(c) Public Footpaths Issues

Nothing further to report

(d) Small Playing Field Issues

Councillor Fitchford reported that, following a site meeting, it had been decided that no further action would be taken with regard to the condition of the fence.

It had been confirmed that a seat on the roundabout was defective and in need of replacement

The Clerk was asked to arrange for Wicksteed Leisure to supply the replacement part

5. TO CONSIDER PLANS FOR FUTURE USE OF FOX HUNTER SITE

The Chairman suspended Standing Orders to allow Mr. Sam Evans to submit details of the proposed plan for the redevelopment of the site.

Mr. Evans said that a decision had been made to proceed with 3 dwellings on the site and a Planning Application would be submitted imminently

Mr. Evans then answered questions from the Council Members

The Chairman thanked Mr. Evans and said that the Council would consider the matter further on receipt of the Planning Consultation

6. TO RECEIVE COMMENTS/OBSERVATIONS FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLOR

- (a) Councillor Mrs. Hayter said that it was anticipated that the Planning Application to vary the Conditions of the Gliding Club would come before the Planning Committee in September
Councillor Stammers said that he had prepared an action/timing plan to oppose the Application
There followed a discussion on the various actions to be taken
- (b) Raised the issue of Flood Alleviation
Councillor Mrs. Morlidge said that she was still awaiting a response from Mr. Geoff Turton. She expressed her disappointment at the lack of progress
- (c) Referred to the land for sale in Ingon Lane and said that the access was for agricultural use only
- (d) Spoke of the Localism Bill and the issue of Neighbourhood Plans. She pointed out that such Plans would form part of the Development Framework. She referred to an Information Pack 'Your Place, Your Plan'

7. FINANCE

Receipts

(a) HM Revenue & Customs Refund of PAYE Contributions	£190 – 49
(b) M & G Investments Charifund Investment Dividend	£96 - 53

Payments to be authorized

(a) Thomgarden	Grass Cutting contract	£1,050 – 00
(b) I. Wilkins	Clerk's Salary and Expenses	£942 – 96
(c) HM Revenue & Customs	PAYE on Clerk's Salary	£204 – 90
(d) E.ON	Street Lighting Maintenance	£239 – 90
(e) Margaret Tweed	Maintenance of Flower Tubs	£59 – 79
(f) British Gas	Gas supply to Village Hall (Direct Debit)	£178 – 00
(g) Good Energy	Electricity supply to Village Hall (Direct Debit)	£25 – 00
(h) Talk Talk Business	Broadband supply (Direct Debit)	£20 – 41
(i) Lloyds TSB	Safe Custody Fee (Standing Order)	£7 – 50

Proposed Councillor Mrs. Morlidge, Seconded Councillor Stammers
'That the listed items be authorized for payment'

So resolved, nem com

8. PLANNING MATTERS

Applications

- (a) Mr. Greg Bull
1, The Manor House
Smiths Lane
Demolish existing single storey rear extension and replace with new single storey rear extension
11/00793/FUL

Submission

Support – an improvement on the original and will enhance the appearance of the property (provided that any increase in size is still within the 30% guidelines)

- (b) Mr. Lucia Flanagan
Cobblers Cottage
The Green
T1 sycamore : fell
11/01058/TREE

Submission

No representation

- (c) Stratford on Avon
Gliding Club
Airfield
Snitterfield Road
Bearley
Variation of Condition 6 of Planning Permission S87/0253 to allow motorized gliders to operate from the aerodrome

Noted

- (d) Mr. and Mrs. Shelswell
Park Farm
Park Lane
Proposed two and single storey side extensions
11/00758/FUL

Submission

The application is supported provided that it does not contravene the 30% guidelines

- (e) Mr. Mark Northover and
Ms. Sara Burling
Tubbs Cottage
The Green
Alterations and extensions to rear of house to link kitchen to outbuilding on ground floor and to form bathroom and store to first floor
11/01080/FUL

Submission deferred

Decisions

- (a) Mrs. Kerry Lewis
Broad Leaf Stud Farm
The Green
Use of land for the stationing of a mobile home dwelling with associated residential curtilage. Use of part of stable building and detached storage shed for purposes ancillary to the residential occupation of the mobile home
10/00336/LDE

Certificate of Lawful Existing Use of Development issued

11. POSSIBLE ALLOTMENT SITE ADJACENT TO HALES CLOSE

Councillor Miss Kimberley reported that she had obtained from Land Registry a copy of the Title Register and Title Plan for the land behind the garages in Hales Close which shows the registered owner as Heart of England Housing Association Limited

It was agreed that Clerk should write to the Heart of England Housing Association Limited, pointing out that the land currently serves no useful purpose and asking if they would wish to donate the land to the Parish Council for use as allotments

12. SCHEDULE FOR GRASS CUTTING CONTRACT

The draft schedule for the Grass Cutting contract prepared by Councillor Stammers was approved

After discussion, it was agreed to continue the contract with Thomgarden for the current season on the same terms

The newly approved schedule to be used for the year 2012

13. COMMUNITY SPEEDAWARE PROJECT

The Clerk reported that he had registered an interest in the free volunteer based scheme

The interest had been acknowledged by Chris Fossey, Road Safety Unit. He had stated that there was now a need to identify an individual to take a lead and to organize other volunteers. When this had been done, a training session could be organized

It was agreed that the Clerk should draft an appropriate entry for publication in 'The Snipe' Magazine asking for volunteers to make contact

14. TO RECEIVE COMMENTS/OBSERVATIONS FROM COUNCILLORS

Councillor Mrs. Morlidge

Referred to the computer malfunction and suggested that consideration be given to the provision of some form of 'back up'

It was agreed to seek expert advice

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Ms. Anna Smith

Raised the matter of road safety on the A46, specifically at the junction of Kings Lane/Gospel Oak Lane. She said that it was a potential accident site and suggested the need for double white lines at the junction

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the Meeting closed at 9-57p.m.

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PRESENT

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Councillor R.J. Fitchford
Councillor Miss C. Kimberley
Councillor G.J. Stammers

Clerk No Members of Public

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor Mrs. S. Morlidge	unwell
Councillor G. Norris	holiday
County Councillor R.G. Hobbs	

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

3. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 9th May, 2011, having been previously circulated, were agreed and signed by the Chairman

4. PARISH COUNCIL ACCOUNTS

The Clerk presented the Parish Council Accounts for the year 2010/2011. He detailed the Balance Sheet and Statement of Account and emphasized certain significant items

Proposed Councillor Stammers, Seconded Councillor Fitchford
'That the Accounts be adopted'

So resolved, nem con

5. PLANNING APPLICATION 09/02313/FUL

Consideration was given to the Appeal against the Refusal of the Planning Application for a gypsy site at Black Hill

It was agreed to support the objections outlined in the Notice of Refusal
Councillor Stammers undertook to draft a letter for approval by Council Members

He added that a meeting on interested parties had been arranged to take place on 1 July

6. PLANNING APPLICATION 11/01080/FUL

Consideration was given to Planning Application 11/01080/FUL relating to alterations and extensions to Tubbs Cottage, The Green

It was resolved to object to the Application on the following grounds :
The proposal would be an inappropriate development in the Green Belt as the volume of the extension would exceed the 30% guidelines
In calculating the volume increase, the applicant has failed to take into consideration the original extension which houses the bathroom and kitchen
This would mean an increase of 71.5%
There would be loss of daylight to the kitchen and garden of Poachers Cottage

County Councillor Hobbs arrived at the Meeting

7. TO RECEIVE COMMENTS/OBSERVATIONS FROM COUNCILLORS

Councillor Miss Kimberley

Reported that she had attended a Meeting of the Village Hall Management Committee. The issue of refuse and recycling bins had been considered. It was noted that the annual cost of emptying each bin would be £50 and not as originally reported
It was decided that the grass cuttings should be taken away, thus removing the need for a green recycling bin
It was further decided that the hire charge for users should be increased by £1-00

Councillor Mrs. Rendell

Said that she had driven along Sandy Lane to the junction of Warwick Road and she confirmed that the bush adjacent to the Mercedes Garage did still obstruct the view looking towards Stratford
She added that she had spoken to the Garage Manager and asked him to arrange to have the bush trimmed back
Councillor Hobbs said that he was aware that the County Council had taken similar action as a Road Safety issue
It was agreed to keep the matter under review

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the Meeting closed at 8-40 p.m.