

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF SNITTERFIELD PARISH COUNCIL
HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON MONDAY 14TH APRIL 2008,
COMMENCING AT 7-30 P.M.**

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

County and District Councillor R.G. Hobbs

Clerk 6 Members of Public

There was a five-minute period of public participation prior to the formal agenda

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None
Councillor A.G.M. Jones was not present

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

3. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 10th March, 2008, having been previously circulated, were agreed and signed by the Chairman after the following amendments had been made

Item 14

- (1) amend date to read 1st April 2007
- (2) amend date to read 2006/2007
- (3) amend date to read 1st April 2007

4. MATTERS ARISING

Flood Prevention Measures

Councillor Hobbs reported that the District Council had set aside the sum of £100,000 to assist with flood prevention measures

Each affected Parish Council would be able to apply for a maximum sum of £10,000. Details of the Scheme would be forwarded in due course, but he undertook to make known the interest of Snitterfield Parish Council to Mr. Dave Tiley

He suggested that the Parish Council should draw up a plan of action in

readiness

The Chairman said that the financial assistance would be most beneficial. The required measures were well known and it would be necessary to prioritize. He referred to the measures proposed by Mr. and Mrs. Barker of Sherbourne House and he undertook to liaise with them on the potential costs. He added that he had received no further feedback from the Environment Agency.

5. COMMENTS/OBSERVATIONS BY COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLOR

Councillor Hobbs reported on a proposed development surrounding the old reservoir at Old Kings Lane.

The Chairman said that he had made enquiries and ascertained that land owned by Mr. Freeman had been sold to an anonymous person. He understood that a planning application would be submitted for a 12-month temporary permission to locate 15 pitches for gypsy caravans.

Councillor Hobbs said that the position arose due to the proposed refurbishment of the Pathlow Gypsy site. An alternative temporary site at Pathlow had been offered by the owner, but it was considered unsuitable. District Council officers were in negotiation with the owner of the site at Snitterfield. He stressed that the owner had undertaken to comply with the planning process and did not intend to enter the land before permission was granted.

The Clerk said that he had taken legal advice and it would not be possible for the Parish Council to take out an injunction to prevent occupation of the land. Councillor Hobbs said that it would be advisable for the Parish Council to write to Mr. Trevor Askew of the District Council detailing its views on the situation.

6. FINANCE

Receipts

(a)	Bank of Ireland	Deposit Account Interest (January-March, 2008)	£199-95
(b)	A.E. Bennett & Sons	Cemetery Fee (Randle)	£75-00
(c)	Mrs. M.J. Follis	Allotment Rent (Nos.6 and 7)	£25-00
(d)	Charinco Common Investment Fund	Investment Dividend	£19-01

Payments to be authorized

(a)	Stratford on Avon District Council	Laptops, projector and screen (Awards for All)	£3,629-21
(b)	Stratford on Avon District Council	Register and setup of Domain name (Awards for All)	£128.39
(c)	Allianz Insurance plc	Policy Renewal – Parish Council	£1,849-22

(d)	Warwickshire Assoc. Local Councils	Membership Renewal	£390-00
(e)	Stratford on Avon District Council	Rate Demand Notice – Youth Club	£189-42
(f)	ABB Ltd.	Supply and install replacement street light – The Knob	£1,762-50
(g)	ABB Ltd	Street Lighting Maintenance	£154-63
(h)	ABB Ltd	Street Light Repair	£68-15
(i)	Jukes Pest Services	Mole Control contract	£75-00
(j)	Warwickshire Playing Fields Association	Annual Subscription	£15-00
(k)	British Gas	Gas supply to Village Hall (Direct Debit)	£4-00

**Proposed Councillor Mrs. Morlidge, Seconded Councillor Fitchford
'that the listed items be authorized for payment'**

So resolved, nem con

7. PLANNING MATTERS

Applications

(a)	Carolyn Anne Morris Land adj. Ingon Lake Ingon Lane	Use of lake for fishing by members of the public and erection of timber cabin to provide on-site facilities	08/00341/FUL
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Submission

Objection

The site is within the West Midlands Green Belt and the Arden Special Landscape Area. The proposed timber cabin would be an inappropriate building, contrary to the aims of these policies. There are concerns about Road Safety; this is a main route from Snitterfield to Stratford upon Avon. It is a bus route and is used as a 'rat run' at peak times to avoid Longbridge Island. This creates a potential problem with possibly 10 vehicles entering and leaving the site on a day. There are more than adequate facilities in place at Arden Fisheries, only 150/200 metres away using a Public Footpath.

(b)	John Betteridge Timber Bungalow Park Lane	Erection of detached house and garage	08/00611/FUL
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Submission

Objection

The design is considered to be an improvement on the existing, but objection is raised on the grounds of increase in size, which is calculated to be 68%. This is well in excess of the 30% guideline under the Green Belt Policy

Decisions

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| (a) | J.S. Bloor
Comyns Farm
Wayfield | Removal (and relocation) of a stretch of hedgerow | 08/00168/HRN |
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Consent

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| (b) | Stratford Armouries
Hawkswood Farm
Gospel Oak Lane
Pathlow | Erection of entrance porch on west elevation, remodeling of car park and changes to north, south, east and west elevation and internal layout | 07/03314/FUL |
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Permission with Conditions

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| (c) | Mr. and Mrs. Queralt
5, Church Lane | Proposed bedrooms extension at first floor level over existing ground floor | 07/03534/FUL |
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Permission with Conditions

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| (d) | Mr. Barter
Cedar Cottage
1, Park Cottages
Church Road | T1 yew: lightly thin regrowth through centre of crown 10-15%. Shorten back limbs extending towards house to reshape canopy
T2 oak: thin crown approximately 15% and lift limbs over field side to allow for passage of agricultural vehicles | 08/00260/TREE |
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Consent with Conditions

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| (e) | Jane Hunt
Briery House | Erection of 4.9m x 3.05m toolshed/workroom for storage | 07/02647/FUL |
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Heath End and maintenance of wildflower
Meadow

Permission with Conditions

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| (f) | ICM Ltd
The Saleroom
Bearley Road | Proposed conversion and
alteration of auction room to
office and storage | 07/03254/FUL |
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Permission with Conditions

8. CORRESPONDENCE

Warwickshire County Council

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| (a) | A46/M40 Junction 15 (Longbridge)
Bypass – Invitation to Preview | The Clerk reported that he and
Councillor Fitchford had attended.
He gave an account of the
proceedings |
| (b) | Consultation on the Planning
Application Local Validation List | No further action required |

Warwickshire Association of Local Councils

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| (a) | Invitation to Royal Garden Party | Chairman nominated, but not
successful |
| (b) | Environmental Art Challenge | Details to be displayed on Notice
Board |

Warwickshire Training Partnership

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| (a) | ‘The Next Step’ Training Course –
14 th June | No Councillor available to attend |
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Sarah Protheroe

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| (a) | Snipe Road Race | Contents noted |
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Councillor Stammers

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| (a) | Letter of intention to resign from
Council | Councillor Hobbs congratulated the
Chairman for his valuable service to
the community and said that he |
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would be sorely missed. He went on to praise him for his contribution to the efficient running of the Council during his term of office as Chairman

9. WARWICKSHIRE BEST VILLAGE OF THE YEAR COMPETITION

The Clerk submitted details of the Competition which is organized by the Warwickshire Rural Community Council

The Chairman proposed that an entry should be submitted and pointed to three categories, viz, People, Environment and Communication.

The proposal was supported and it was agreed to bring the project to the notice of the Annual Parish Meeting in order to gauge interest

10. COMMENTS/OBSERVATIONS FROM COUNCILLORS

Councillor Jacobs

Said that the second film show of the Rural Cinema project had been held and he gave details of the April showing

Reported a hole in the road surface in Pigeon Green

Councillor Hobbs undertook to deal

Councillor Mrs. Morlidge

Said that she had spoken to the contractor and he would shortly be in a position to commence work on renewing the fencing in the Small Playing Field
The Clerk said that cheques had been prepared for payment of the required materials

Councillor Miss Kimberley

Asked if a date had been set for the meeting organized by Tanworth in Arden Parish Council with the Planning Enforcement Officer

The Clerk said that he had received no notification, but he undertook to follow up

11. MOTION

Proposed Councillor Stammers, Seconded Councillor Mrs. Morlidge
'That the following matters be considered in closed session by reason of the confidential nature of the business'

So resolved, nem con

12. MOLE CONTROL

The Clerk submitted details of the renewal of the annual contract with Jukes Pest Services in the sum of £300. He said that the terms and conditions were the same as for the previous year

Comment was made that the standard of service had deteriorated and that evidence of moles had proliferated

The Clerk said that an approach had been made to Mr. Harry Terry, of Brickyard Farm, Snitterfield, but a quotation had not been received

It was agreed to delay the award of a contract until the next Meeting

13. CONDITIONS OF SERVICE

Councillor Miss Kimberley submitted a draft Conditions of Service
After discussion, it was agreed to accept as submitted

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the Meeting closed at 9-15 p.m.

Notes of Periods of Public Participation at Meeting of Snitterfield Parish Council held on Monday 14th April, 2008

Prior to the Meeting

Mr. Ken Chatland

Referred to the recent successful prosecution for illegal removal of a hedgerow at the Fruit Farm and asked if a notice had been issued for replacement
Councillor Hobbs responded that no notice had yet been issued

Asked if the Planning Application for Change of Use at the land at Ingon Lane had been resolved (07/02057/FUL)

Councillor Hobbs said that no decision had yet been made

After the Meeting

None

SNITTERFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Clerk – Ian Wilkins

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I hereby give notice that the Annual Meeting of Snitterfield Parish Council will be held in the Village Hall on Monday 12th May, 2008, commencing at 7-30 p.m.

All Members are hereby summoned to attend for the purpose of considering and resolving upon the business at the Meeting, as set out hereunder

Ian A. Wilkins
Clerk of the Council

There will be a fifteen-minute period set aside prior to the formal agenda and again, at the end of the Meeting, for the purpose of public participation

A G E N D A

1. Election of Chairman
2. Apologies for Absence
3. Declarations of Interest
4. Election of Vice Chairman
5. Appointment to Special Responsibilities
 - (a) Playing Fields and Grass Cutting

- (b) Allotments
 - (c) Cemetery
 - (d) Representative to Village Hall Management Committee
 - (e) Press Correspondent
 - (f) Public Footpaths
6. Bank Signatories (3)
 7. Date and Time of Meetings
 8. Minutes of Meeting held on 14th April, 2008
 9. Matters Arising
 - (a) Flood Prevention Measures
 - (b) Proposed Gypsy Site – Old Kings Lane
 - (c) Best Village Competition
 10. Matters arising from Annual Parish Meeting
 11. Comments/Observations from County and District Councillor
 12. Finance – Receipts and Payments
 13. Planning Matters – Applications and Decisions
 14. Correspondence
 15. To receive a report on the Carbon Reduction Project
 16. To review the situation following the resignation of Councillor Stammers
 17. To consider renewal of the P3 Agreement (Maintenance of Public Footpaths)
 18. Comments/Observations by Councillors
 19. Motion ‘that the following business be considered in closed session by reason of the confidential nature of the business’
 20. To consider award of Mole Control contract

