

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor A.G.M. Jones
Councillor Mrs. S. Morlidge

Unforeseen personal commitment
Holiday

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Miss Kimberley
Prejudicial Interest

Planning Application 07/03253/FUL
Aspi Specialist Cars

3. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 10th November, 2008, having been previously circulated, were agreed and signed by the Chairman

4. TO RECEIVE COMMENTS/OBSERVATIONS FROM COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLOR

(1) Councillor Hobbs said that he had been in contact with the Environment Agency and he had been assured that they were still committed to resolve the outstanding issues in the village

He would continue to pursue arrangements for a meeting of interested parties

(2) Pigeon Green – the legal problems concerning the disposal of sewage were extremely complex; the matter is ongoing

(3) Recommended that the Parish Council carefully consider the current consultation on the Local Development Framework, specifically pages 22-23. The proposals contained a change in criteria for development in small settlements
He also made reference to the Open Day at Elizabeth House on 16th December giving Councillors an opportunity to talk to members of the Planning Policy Team

(4) Reported that an Enforcement Notice had been issued to replant the hedges at the Fruit Farm

(5) Speeding Vehicles A46 – reported that mobile cameras would continue to be used on the road, but it was now policy not to use the same sites

(6) Fox Hunter Public House – the matter was still ongoing, but a planning application for the premises had been promised

(7) Said that he was still awaiting a report from the independent consultant on the Trees in The Park

(8) Said that he had checked the situation with regard to the green gates at the premises in Ingon Lane – they are in line with the Planning Permission. Enforcement action was pending with regard to the containers

(9) Said that he had arranged for the County Council to cut the grass bordering the footpath at the bottom of Bell Lane

Councillor Hobbs then left to attend another Parish Council Meeting

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

(a) Atteys Field - Future Use

The Clerk reported that he had spoken to the current tenant, Mr. Evetts. He had expressed a wish to continue the tenancy both for the current and future years

It was agreed to continue to offer the tenancy

(b) Speeding Vehicles – A46

Matter dealt with at item 4 (5) above

(c) Environment Agency – outstanding items for action

Matter dealt with at item 4(1) above

6. FINANCE

Receipts

(a) A.E. Bennett & Sons	Cemetery Fee (Chamberlain)	£75-00
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Payments to be authorized

(a) Thomgarden	Grass Cutting contract	£920-00
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(b) Veolia Environmental Services	Grass Cutting contract	£694-00
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(c) Society of Local Council Clerks	Membership Renewal	£94-00
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(d) Warwickshire Training Partnership	Training Session – End of Year Accounts and Preparing for Audit	£20-00
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(e) Margaret Tweed	Maintenance of Flower Tubs	£39-48
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(f) British Legion	Remembrance Day Wreath	£16-50
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(g) Good Energy	Electricity supply to Village Hall (Direct Debit)	£54-00
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(h) British Gas	Gas supply to Village Hall (Direct Debit)	£95-00
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(i) Nildram	Supply Broadband (Direct Debit)	£19-99
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(j) Lloyds TSB	Safe Custody Fee	£7-50
(k) I. Wilkins	Clerk's Salary	£800-00
(l) HM Revenue &	PAYE on Clerk's Salary	£200-00
(m) I. Wilkins	Clerk's Expenses	£152-43
(n) Parochial Church	Use of Graham Simons Room for Parish Council business	£10-00

Proposed Councillor Fitchford, Seconded Councillor Miss Kimberley
'that the payments listed be authorized for payment'
So resolved, nem con

7. PLANNING MATTERS

Applications

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| (a) Mr. R. Corbishley
Ingon Grange Farm
Ingon Lane | Proposed conversion of barn into four holiday cottages together with all ancillary works
08/02502/FUL |
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Site Visit to be arranged before submission

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| (b) Warwickshire County
Council
Oldhouse Farm
Heath End Lane | The installation of a single small scale 18m. High Wind Turbine. The land is currently used for agricultural purpose and this can continue following installation 08/03100/COUNTY |
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Site Visit to be arranged before submission

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| (c) Ms. L. Kelleher
Poachers Cottage
The Green | Proposed rear ground and first floor extension
08/02998/FUL |
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Site Visit to be arranged before submission

Correspondence

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| (a) Councillor Miss Kimberley | Planning Application 07/03253/FUL
Aspi Specialist Cars |
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Councillor Miss Kimberley left the Meeting during discussion of this subject

The Chairman reported on feedback from the site visit.

It was agreed that there was confusion when comparing the submitted plans with the actual site

The Clerk was asked to seek further clarification

Decisions

(a) Mrs. C. Pearson Cosycot The Green	Installation of opening and non-obscure glazed window to north east elevation at ground floor level 08/02535/FUL
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Permission

8. CORRESPONDENCE

Warwickshire County Council

Notice of West Joint Committee Meeting – 11th December

Action Graham Barker and Councillor Jones to attend and support the application for Community Grant for flood relief

Stratford on Avon District Council

Appointment of Parish Council Representatives to Standards and Ethics Committee

Action No Member to make application for appointment

Warwickshire Training Partnership

Seminar – ‘Visionary Leadership and Community Engagement’

Action No Member to attend

Citizens Advice Bureau

Invitation to pre-Christmas visit

Action Noted

9. AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT

The Chairman introduced the subject and said that it was important to select the most appropriate location. He suggested an early site visit to the locations suggested by the Rural Housing Enabler.

Ms. Lesley Ford of Ford Associates agreed to attend the site meeting to advise as necessary

This course of action was agreed

10. FREEDOM OF INFORMATION SCHEME

The Clerk introduced the subject and said that under the Freedom of Information Act, 2000, the Information Commissioner had now developed and approved a new model publication scheme to be adopted by Parish Councils by 31st December

The Scheme contains definitions of information to be provided, which should be proactively published for the information of the public

He suggested that most of the required information could be included on the Council website

Proposed Councillor Fitchford, Seconded Councillor Mrs. Swift

'To adopt the new model publication scheme under the Freedom of Information Act, 2000'

So resolved, nem con

11. STRATFORD ON AVON LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK

The Chairman introduced the subject and said that, in view of the advice of Councillor Hobbs, consideration should be given to responding to the consultation
It was agreed to scrutinize the relevant sections of the Consultation to enable a response to be submitted

12. TO RECEIVE COMMENTS/OBSERVATIONS FROM COUNCILLORS

Councillor Mrs. Rendell

Made reference to certain matters in relation to the driveway leading from Church Road to Park Lodge Farm

It was agreed that no further action was required

The Chairman commented that, as the driveway had been used by the public over a period of years, it might be appropriate for adoption as a Public Footpath

The Chairman suspended Standing Orders to allow any further public participation

Michael Fairbrother

Spoke of the potential danger of vehicles parked in The Square

It was agreed to monitor the situation

13. MOTION

Proposed Councillor Fitchford, Seconded Councillor Miss Kimberley

'That the following matter be considered in closed session by reason of the confidential nature of the business'

So resolved, nem con

14. PAY SCALE FOR CLERK

Councillor Miss Kimberley introduced the subject and outlined the process of setting the current pay scale.

Negotiations had been taking place at national level, but no agreement had been reached on a salary award for 2008 and the matter had been referred to arbitration. In view of the delay, both sides of the National Joint Council had agreed to jointly recommend that the final Employers offer of 2.45% be implemented as an interim award from 1st April with immediate effect

This would mean an increase of £98 on the Clerk's current salary of £4,000 per annum

Proposed Councillor Fitchford, Seconded Councillor Mrs. Rendell
'That the interim award be implemented, as recommended'
So resolved, nem con

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the Meeting closed at
9-00pm.