

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF SNITTERFIELD PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON MONDAY 10th OCTOBER, 2011, COMMENCING AT 7-30 P.M.

PRESENT

Councillor Miss C. Kimberley
Councillor G. Norris
Councillor G.J. Stammers

County Councillor R. Hobbs

Clerk 3 Members of Public

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

Proposed Councillor Miss Kimberley, Seconded Councillor Stammers
'That Councillor Norris be elected Chairman'
So resolved

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Miss Linda Mazey

Asked if any progress had been made with the proposed Affordable Housing Scheme

The Clerk undertook to make enquiries and report back to the November Meeting

Mr. Ken Chatland

Asked if any progress had been made to resolve the sewage issue in Pigeon Green
Councillor Hobbs said that the matter had been in abeyance until the adoption of new legislation in October, which would place a legal obligation on Severn Trent to resolve the issue

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor Mrs. M. Rendell (Chairman)	Domestic commitment
Councillor R.J. Fitchford	Domestic commitment
Councillor Mrs. S. Morlidge	Holiday
District Councillor Mrs. H. Hayter	

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

3. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 5th September, 2011, having been previously circulated, were agreed and signed by the Chairman, after the following amendments had been made

Page 3, item 6 – Heading

Delete 'County Councillor' and substitute 'District Councillor'

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

(a) Repairs to Street Light – Bell Lane

The Clerk reported that he was still awaiting receipt of a revised quotation from E.ON

(b) Public Footpaths Issues

The Clerk reported that he had spoken to Marion Borman, Countryside Access Team and she had undertaken to send out information and forms to be completed in order to add the route to the Definitive Map
She advised that any application would not be considered for many years due to the existing backlog of applications and the manpower currently available
Councillor Hobbs said that it might be a better option to pursue the procedure to make it a Permissive Right of Way

(c) Small Playing Field Issues

The Clerk reported that the four replacement seats had been received and fitted to the swing in the Large Playing Field
He added that he would obtain a quotation from Wicksteed Leisure for repair to the roundabout in the Small Playing Field

(d) Community Speedaware Project

The Clerk said that it would be necessary to appoint a leader, who would be able to organize the volunteers and arrange a short training session
Councillor Stammers volunteered to take on that role

(e) Road Safety – A46

Councillor Hobbs said that he had received information from the Chairman of the action taken thus far with the Highways Agency
He detailed the number of injury accidents recorded on the data base and said that he was in contact with the County Council Road Safety Unit

(f) Arboricultural Work – War Memorial

Nothing further to report

(g) Tenancy at Will – Youth Club Premises

The Clerk reported that the documents had been forwarded to Mr. Richard Yendell, Chairman of the Sports Club, for consideration

(h) Ash Trees – Bell Lane

The Clerk said that, on closer inspection, it appeared that the ash trees were growing on the grass verge
Councillor Hobbs undertook to follow up

5. TO RECEIVE COMMENTS/OBSERVATIONS FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR

(a) Councillor Hobbs said that the Boundary Commission had announced the boundary review for the parliamentary constituencies. This means that Snitterfield will move to the Warwick constituency.
The County Council has decided not to respond to the Consultation

(b) 101 is the new national non-emergency phone number for the police; it will commence operation in Warwickshire in late November
It is to be used to report less urgent crime and disorder and to speak to local Officers

(c) Warwickshire and West Mercia Police Authorities have agreed to enter into a Strategic Alliance. The Force identities will be retained within the Alliance, but the Model includes two joint Assistant Chief Constables and a joint Director of Enabling Services

- (d) The Chief Constable of Warwickshire will be leaving the Force to take over a National appointment
- (e) The Police Reform Bill proposes the replacement of the Police Authority by a directly elected individual, known as the Police and Crime Commissioner. This change will not now take place until November 2012
- (f) Agreement has been reached to explore a business case for a Strategic Alliance with Northampton Fire and Rescue. Certain areas have been identified for initial consideration for closer working
- (g) Funding of £5 million from Central Government has been awarded to the County Council to build a new Parkway railway station at the Park and Ride site at Bishopton. The County and District Councils will make up the shortfall of about £3.9 million
Rail operators have contracted to improve the service to Birmingham with new rolling stock and faster services, also improving weekend and late night services

6. FINANCE

Receipts

(a) Stratford on Avon District Council	Precept (part payment)	£11,525-00
(b) Western Power Distribution	Wayleaves	£47-72
(c) Black Rock	Investment Dividend	£19-01
(d) Bank of Ireland	Deposit Account Interest	£0-44

Payments to be authorized

(a) Thomgarden	Grass Cutting contract - August	£525-00
	September	£525-00
(b) Cotswold Teak	Supply and deliver wooden bench	£510-00
(c) Wicksteed Leisure Ltd.	Supply and deliver replacement swing seats	£333-31
(d) E.ON	Street Lighting supply	£284-05
(e) E.ON	Street Lighting Maintenance	£239-00
(f) British Gas	Gas supply to Village Hall	
	(Direct Debit) - August	£93-00
	September	£93-00
(h) Good Energy Ltd.	Electricity supply to Village Hall	
	(Direct Debit) - August	£38-00
	September	£38-00
(i) Talk Talk Business	Broadband supply - August	£20-41
	(Direct Debit) September	£20-41

Proposed Councillor Stammers, Seconded Councillor Miss Kimberley
‘That the listed items be authorized for payment’
So resolved, nem con

7. PLANNING MATTERS

Applications

- (a) Mr. J. Wigington
Hawkswood Farm
Gospel Oak Lane
Pathlow
Change of use of three World War II buildings into holiday accommodation and change of use of land for the siting of 11 timber clad holiday chalets (falling within the definition of a caravan)
11/01695/FUL

Submission

Objection.
Policy CT9 7.41.1 'Caravan, chalet and camping site are not considered to be appropriate development within the Green Belt and, as such, there will be a general presumption against such proposals.
The proposal would be an inappropriate development within the Green Belt and open countryside. It would also be an over development of the site
There are no special reasons put forward to overcome the harm to the openness of the Green Belt
There is concern about the potential disturbance. Longer hours are likely to be required for guests, whereas hours of opening for the museum, shop and restaurant are currently restricted to protect residents from disturbance at unreasonable times

- (b) Mrs. Charlotte Robinson
Park House Lodge
Church Road
T1 –T3 Leylandii : fell
11/02098/TREE

Submission

Support.
The trees are relatively small and their removal will not affect the street scene

- (c) Mr. Nick Rendell
Treetops
Cedar Drive
Proposed erection of free standing solar array
11/02032/FUL

Submission deferred for further consideration

- (d) Mr. D. Taylor
Oakland
Gospel Oak Lane
Pathlow
Demolish attached outbuilding and replace with conservatory, utility and wc/shower room
11/01984/FUL

Submission deferred for further consideration

- (e) David King
Electronics Ltd.
Meadow View Farm
Heath End
Demolition of existing agricultural storage building and erection of new workshop
11/02074/FUL

Submission deferred for further consideration

- (f) Mr. P. & Mrs. K. Lewis Erection of new-build 4 bedroom detached
Broad Leaf Stud Farm house 11/01876/FUL
The Green

Submission deferred for further consideration

Decisions

- (a) Mrs. B. Bainbridge T1 Ash adjacent driveway: crown reduce by
Dawnedge 20-30% and reshape. Inspect crown cavities and
Church Road remove deadwood. Monitor tree for Inonotus
Fungal infection
T2 Ash: crown reduce by 10-15% and reshape.
Ensure crown clearance of 5.20m over highway.
Remove deadwood
T3 Ash in rear garden: fell
11/01702/TREE

Consent with Conditions

- (b) Stratford Oaks Golf Club Erection of small toilet block between 9th Green
Bearley Road and 10th Tee
11/01704/FUL

Permission with Conditions

8. CORRESPONDENCE

Warwickshire County Council

- (a) Consultation: Proposal to close Pupil Referral Unit No response
(b) Consultation: Waste Core Strategy –
Preferred Options and Policies No response

Boundary Commission for England

The 2013 Review of Parliamentary Constituencies in England No response

Warwickshire Association of Local Councils

Notice of Annual General Meeting – 27th October Clerk to attend

9. TO CONSIDER FUTURE USE OF TELEPHONE KIOSK

Matter deferred until November Meeting

10. TO CONSIDER GRANT TO COMMUNITY LINKS TRANSPORT SCHEME

The Clerk introduced the item and said that the Scheme, which currently operates in Stratford upon Avon District, provided a service for the elderly and disabled, particularly rural residents
Funding for this service is to be withdrawn in the next financial year and Parish Councils are being requested to consider a contribution to the Scheme
After discussion, it was agreed, in principle, to support such a contribution, subject to gaining further information. However, no definite decision was made in view of the absence of 3 Council Members

11. TO RECEIVE COMMENTS/OBSERVATIONS FROM COUNCILLORS

Councillor Stammers

- (a) Noted that gullies in the Parish had recently been cleaned. He stressed the need to clear fallen leaves away
- (b) Asked that the Grass Cutting Schedule be an item on the Agenda of the November Meeting

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the Meeting closed at 8-30 p.m.