

Minutes of a Meeting of Wysall and Thorpe in the Glebe Parish Council held in the Village Hall, Wysall, Tuesday February 2, 2010, at 7.45pm

Couns. Philip Harris (Chairman) (A)
Simon Stephens (Vice-chairman) (in the chair) Mary Elston
Carolyn Birch David Roberts
Charlotte James Helen Lewin
Alison Avery

Also present: The clerk Mike Elliott and Rushcliffe Borough Council member Coun. Mrs Fiona Mason.

- 1] **Apologies** were received from Coun. Phil Harris, who was recovering from an operation.
- 2] **Declarations of Interest** There were none.
- 3] **Minutes from previous meeting held on December 1, 2009**, were accepted as circulated and signed by the chairman

4] **Clerk's report**

The clerk received the Code of Conduct and Register of Members Interests forms needed from Coun. Mrs Lewin.

The Neighbourhood Watch meeting had been held as planned and there had been a good turn out for it. Coun. Mrs James, who had chaired the meeting, said another one had been arranged for March 13 involving those who had expressed an interest in being involved. That meeting would be at 9.30am and it was hoped there would be an officer in attendance to sell Smart Water for the first hour and then for a meeting to be held at which it was hoped a scheme co-ordinator could be appointed. It was agreed the council would circulate the village again in regard to the event.

5] **Correspondence**

Rushcliffe Borough Council advised of its Annual Town and Parish Conference on Tuesday April 20 at Cotgrave Place Golf Club and it was agreed that Couns. Mrs James and Mrs Elston would attend with Coun. Stephens also available.

Rushcliffe Borough Council asked for possible comments from members on its renewed Corporate Strategy.

Fields in Trust wrote asking for names of any war memorial fields members might know of but none were put forward.

The Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents gave notice of the inspection of the village hall play area. Rushcliffe Borough Council wrote asking for a possible booking for the Parliamentary Election in May. Rushcliffe Borough Council advised of the Council Tax Base 2010/2011 at a figure of 194.

Rural Community Action Nottinghamshire and Rushcliffe Borough Council advised of a Parish Council Forum event on community facilities on February 9 at Cropwell Butler Village Hall. The clerk said he was attending. Allianz Insurance Plc wrote in respect of the insurance of the red telephone kiosk which the council was adopting and said there would be no additional premium for cover unless the unit was to be covered for damage and it was agreed this was not required. Coun. Mrs Lewin agreed to take on the responsibility of checking the condition of the kiosk and to report any problems to the clerk.

6] **Planning matters**

Planning Applications

10/00123/FUL Mr Peter Webster; Extension of dropped kerb vehicular footway crossing; Disney House, 2 Costock Road, Wysall. No objection

Rushcliffe Borough Council Decisions There were none.

7] **Village Hall**

The council considered two quotations for the work to refurbish the village hall toilets and after a discussion agreed to accept the one from Smalley Construction Ltd in the sum of £3,653 plus VAT, to include redecoration of the area concerned after the completion of the work. Mr Berridge of the successful firm was to be asked to carry out the work at times that took into account bookings at the hall.

Coun. Mrs Elston and David Roberts gave information on events to be organised for hall funds including a Chocolate Treat evening on March 17 and a visit from a professional music group – Kosmos – on March 25.

Coun. Roberts said it was hoped that the next major project for improving the hall would be a scheme to refurbish the upstairs rooms in readiness to turn them into storage space.

8] **Church Clock**

The clerk was asked to check with the chairman the position regarding finance received by the council in grants for the scheme and the money paid out. The final stage of the project would be the provision of the interpretation board for placing in front of the village hall and one for placing in the church porch. The clerk was also to ascertain from the chairman if there was a date by which the funding for the scheme had to be expended.

9] Environment

The clerk had received police figures for crime in Wysall in January and these showed there were two crimes.

On January 3 there had been a theft from a motor vehicle on Manor House Drive. The vehicle had been left insecure, and the property had been stolen from within and on January 21 a case of criminal damage had been recorded when a window of a vehicle had been smashed on Bradmore Road when a house brick had been thrown from a car driving along.

The meeting agreed to seek an additional doggy bin to be erected by Rushcliffe Borough Council near to the entrance to Brooklea Farm at Thorpe in the Glebe. The clerk was asked to contact Rushcliffe Borough Council in regard to the provision of metal signs advising it was an offence to allow animals to foul any area without collecting the mess and disposing of it correctly. The clerk was also asked to check if the Borough Council could make a supply of doggy bags available for the council to hand out.

10] Website

Vista360 Ltd confirmed they would put information on the website about the red telephone kiosk. They also gave an update on figures of usage of the site and said for January 2010 there had been a record number of 721 hits.

11] Grass Cutting

It was agreed the clerk send a request to Specialised Groundcare (the present contractors), Peter James of Little Lincoln, Wymeswold Road, Wysall, and James Muston of Laurel Close, Wysall for a price for grass cutting for the coming season, on the same details as for the past year.

12] Finance Members authorised payment of accounts as per the schedule presented.

Total expenditure for meeting	£4,171.39	£554.62	£4,726.01
Total expenditure to date in the current financial year	£10,268.33	£1,111.95	£11,380.28

Members considered a financial report prepared by the clerk and after a discussion agreed the Precept for 2010/2011 remain the same as it was currently, at a figure of £7,943.

13] Chairman's Matters

The clerk was asked to talk to Rushcliffe Borough Council in regard to the spasmodic collection of the trade waste bin at the village hall. It had been necessary to ring the department for a number of weeks to get the bin collected. The council still wished to be able to have other than a weekly collection because often the bin was empty when the rubbish was due to be collected.

14] Agenda Items for Next meeting The red telephone kiosk was to be raised as an agenda item.

There was no further business and the meeting closed at 9.45pm.