

Minutes of a meeting of Wysall and Thorpe in the Glebe Parish Council held in the Village Hall, Wysall, on Tuesday December 2, 2008, at 7.45pm

Couns. Philip Harris (Chairman)
Simon Stephens (Vice-chairman) Alison Avery
Mary Elston (A) Carolyn Birch
David Roberts Charlotte James
Pearl Edge (A)

Also present: The clerk Mike Elliott.

1] **Apologies** were received from Couns. Mrs Mary Elston and Mrs Pearl Edge and Coun. John Cottee (Nottinghamshire County Council).

2] **Declarations of Interest** There were none.

3] **Minutes from previous meeting held on November 4, 2008** were accepted as circulated and signed by the chairman.

4] **Clerk's report**

The clerk reported prices for planters ranged from about £120 to anything over £1,000. The meeting agreed to purchase one planter for Widmerpool Road and Coun. Stephens agreed to investigate a source.

5] **Correspondence**

The clerk reported on the Information Commissioner's Office having written in regard to the new Freedom of Information Act regulations and said he had completed the necessary forms which were ready for sending off. Rushcliffe Borough Council advised of their Rushcliffe Play Partnership – Play Builder 1st Year Funding Allocation and of a seminar being held on December 10. No one was available to attend.

Rushcliffe Borough Council advised of the need to issue a precept for 2009/2010 and asked for this to be available by the end of January 2009. The clerk said he would produce a budget report for members to study before the next meeting.

The Campaign to Protect Rural England advised of a major litter and fly-tipping drive they were staging and the council agreed to stage a litter pick next year.

Rushcliffe Borough Council confirmed a booking for the village hall for elections on June 4, 2009, and cancellation of a booking on May 7, 2009. Rushcliffe Borough Council issued an invitation to the First Annual Town and Parish Council Conference on February 27, 2009, at The Carriage Hall, Plumtree and Couns. Stephens and Mrs James agreed to attend.

6] **Planning matters**

Planning Applications

08/01834/FUL Mr M Edge; Single storey side and rear extension to form enlarged restaurant area; Plough Inn, Keyworth Road. The council did not object to the plans but raised questions over possible ways to encourage customers to use the car park more and provisions for smokers outside the public house.

Rushcliffe Borough Council Decisions

There were none.

The clerk was asked to check on the planning permission position in regard to a development at a property on Widmerpool Road.

7] **Village Hall**

Coun. Roberts reported a successful Wine Evening event held in aid of funds but said the skittles outing had not cleared costs.

A discussion took place in regard to the cleaning work in the hall and it was agreed that this was required to be done on a weekly basis and not fortnightly. Concerns were expressed that the heated trolley from the kitchen appeared to have been taken for outside use and it was agreed in future that no electrical equipment in the hall should be allowed to be removed from the building for use by other than the Village Hall Committee.

Coun. Roberts reported that the football netting had been damaged by someone using a knife to cut some of it.

8] Environment

The meeting was told of an attempted burglary that had occurred on a property on Main Street in the village.

The clerk was asked to seek progress on the parish council request for a new village name sign and repairs to an existing one.

9] Church Clock

The chairman said he had been in touch with the Heritage Lottery and there was a possibility some funding would be available for the project to repair the clock. He was to attend their office in Nottingham for a meeting with an officer.

10] Website

The use of the website continued to be good and there were records of continuing use by the same people, with hits being recorded up to three times a month. The question of advertising on the site was discussed and it was felt that some of the names in the directory of services should be removed if payment was not received for their insertion.

11] Carbon Footprint

It was agreed that a leaflet drop be organised in the New Year. The question of climate change and environmental issues had been raised on the council website and it was hoped there would be some response from that. The message on the website highlighted the fact that the council were looking for volunteers, both to join a Wysall Eco Team and to be a team leader.

12] Finance Members agreed to authorise payment of accounts as per the schedule presented.

13] Chairman's Matters

The meeting agreed it would make its annual payment for the village children's party after the chairman had spoken to Helen Reed in regard to actual expenses being incurred.

Members agreed that there should be four tables left in the hall after a booking to ease the work of the next hirer.

14] Agenda Items for Next meeting

No matters were put forward for the next meeting which would be held on January 6 2009.

The meeting finished at 9.45pm.