

Minutes of a meeting of Wysall and Thorpe in the Glebe Parish Council held at the Village Hall, Wysall, on Tuesday April 1, 2008 at 8.00pm

Couns. Charlotte James (chairman)	Philip Harris (vice-chairman)
Tim Calnan (A)	Alison Avery
Mary Elston (A)	Simon Stephens
Carolyn Birch	David Roberts

Also present: The clerk Mike Elliott and one member of the public.

Before the commencement of the meeting Mr John Tarrant addressed members on the question of attention needed to deal with the parish church clock following a report he had obtained from Smith of Derby Ltd which suggested extensive work was required to bring it back in good order. The clock had been installed in the year 1922. In 2004 a sum of £785 had been spent on it.

The council were mindful of the fact they used a Nottingham firm to service the clock – Mr Lyon – and it was agreed he be approached for his comments and a price to carry out the work as specified by Smith of Derby Ltd.

Mr Tarrant said he would contact Mr Bryars in regard to making safe the platform in the church tower that was required to be used when repairs were carried out.

- 1] **Apologies** were received from Couns. Tim Calnan and Mrs Mary Elston and the reasons given accepted.
- 2] **Declarations of Interest** Coun. David Roberts declared an interest in planning application 08/00376/FUL.
- 3] **Minutes from previous meeting held on March 4, 2008** were approved and signed by the chairman as presented.
- 4] **Clerk's report**
Members were advised of a glass recycling event being organised by Rushcliffe Borough Council on April 10 2008 at the Civic Centre. Coun. Mrs Birch would attend along with the clerk.

- 5] **Planning matters**
Coun. Roberts expressed his concerns over the way the council had dealt with the application 08/00376/FUL for Mr and Mrs Holmes at the previous meeting, and said he felt by dealing with it at that meeting although it had only arrived a day before had meant that local people had not been able to give their views to members had they wished to. He said he was unhappy that he had not been able to see the plans as presented to the council.

The chairman, Coun. Mrs Charlotte James, said she had written to one of the neighbours of the property concerned and had expressed regret that due to the meeting dates for the parish council and receipt of the planning application, there was not time for any interested parties to make representation to the parish council. She said the parish clerk has written to Rushcliffe Borough Council to inform them that the parish council were aware that there were objections to this application.

The council agreed that where possible they should give time for comments to be received from neighbours although it was underlined that the parish council did not make the decision and could only comment to the Borough Council on what they felt about any particular application and that neighbours were contacted direct by the Borough Council for individual views.

Planning Applications

08/00432/FUL Brooklands Racing Stables; Use of land for the keeping, training and breeding of racehorses and erection of stable building; Land adjoining Nouvelle Farm, Wysall Road Costock. No objection but to comment on the concerns of local people in regard to the use of the highway by the horses and the danger this causes for both motorists and riders. The non-compliance of the applicants in relation to the conditions for the site within the village confines was to be raised again.

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There were none.

- 6] **Correspondence**

Notts Police advised of tactical pursuit training that might involve highways in the area. Allianz Cornhill Insurance wrote to advise of changes in the 2008/2009 insurance policy although there was nothing that materially affected the actual policy cover.

Rushcliffe Borough Council Community Support Scheme confirmed payment of £400 towards the purchase of goalposts for the village hall playing field.

The Notts branch of the Campaign to Protect Rural England advised of their Best Kept Village Competition 2008 and it was agreed to enter. Notts Police Crime figures for March 2008 in respect of Wysall were received and showed the theft of a quad bike from a farm and later abandoned with damaged wiring. There was also a burglary of a dwelling on Costock Road. Entry had been gained via force. Untidy search of entire house had resulted in a large number of items stolen.

7] Village Hall

Coun. Roberts updated the council on work that had been carried out, including the gate having been repaired. He said the firm called in to deal with the outbreak of moles had carried out their work. The Easter fair had raised £269.

Thanks were offered to Coun. Calnan for arranging the siting of the goalposts.

The chairman reported on the scheme to improve the kitchen and said she had met the firm, Creative Interiors, who were to undertake the work and they had confirmed that a three phase power supply would be required. It was being suggested the cost of its provision would be in the region of £,900.

The original cost for the kitchen was £11,950 but the delay in the scheme going ahead would result in a small increase. It was agreed to ask the firm if they could carry out the work in August 2008, when it was felt there would be the least inconvenience to hirers.

8] Environment

The need for a Neighbourhood Watch scheme in the village was discussed and it was felt there should be an appeal for volunteers and that the council facilitate a meeting if it was felt possible. The matter could also be discussed at the parish meeting.

9] Web-site

There was nothing new at present to report. On the question of an article on greenhouse gases Coun. Mrs Avery said she was still working on this.

10] Finance

Payments were approved as per the circulated sheet.

11] Volunteer of the Year Award

It was agreed to extend the date for receipt of nominations to April 1, 2008.

12] Agenda Items for Next meeting

Nothing was raised.

13] Chairman's Matters

The date of the next meeting would be the Annual Parish Meeting on May 6, 2008 at 7.00pm followed by the Annual General Meeting of the parish council at 8.00pm.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10.10pm.