

Minutes of a meeting of Wysall and Thorpe in the Glebe Parish Council held at the Village Hall, Wysall, on Tuesday February 6, 2007 at 8.00pm

Couns. Philip Harris (Chairman)	Charlotte James (Vice-chairman)
Tim Calnan	Alison Avery
Mary Elston	Jane Powell (A)
Helen Reed	David Roberts

Also present: The Clerk Mike Elliott and two representatives from Vista360 Ltd, being responsible for the new village website.

1] Apologies

There were none.

2] Declarations of Interest

There were none.

3] Minutes from previous meeting held on December 5, 2006 were approved and signed by the chairman as presented.

Standing Orders were suspended to allow a report to be given by the Vista360 Ltd representatives in which members were informed that good progress was being made on the web site and it should be ready for launching in six or seven weeks. An event would be arranged at the next meeting of the council to mark this.

It was agreed that Couns. Phil Harris, Mrs Alison Avery and Tim Calnan be responsible for the parish council input to the site and they would meet prior to the next meeting to discuss the contents of the input. It was agreed minutes of the parish council meetings for the past year be put on the site.

4] Clerk's report

There was nothing to report.

5] Correspondence

The Campaign to Protect Rural England (Rushcliffe Group) gave notice of their Annual General Meeting, to be held on March 5. No one would be available to attend as it clashed with the council's next meeting. Nottinghamshire Association of Local Councils asked for support for an attempt to fight a threat to lottery funding for rural villages and it was agreed the clerk write to state the council's opposition to this.

Kingston Brook Internal Drainage Board wrote in respect of the appearance of a Himalayan Balsam weed on the banks of the water course in Wysall. The chairman said he was aware of its presence and said it could be treated by Roundup.

The Association of Airport Related Parish Councils gave notice of their next meeting to be held on March 22 at East Leake Village Hall. Nottinghamshire County Council advised of their Building Better Communities annual event on June 12 and Coun. Mrs Avery said she would attempt to attend.

The clerk gave details provided by Rushcliffe Borough Council in regard to the forthcoming Parish Council elections on May 3 and said the Notice of Election would be issued on March 27 and that nominations to the Borough Council had to be in by 12 noon on April 4.

It was agreed to send a card to Nottinghamshire Rural Community Council on the retirement of Chief Executive Bob Middleton. The Ruddington branch of the Royal British Legion advised that the only income for Wysall for the Poppy Appeal 2006/2007 had been the £25 received from the parish council for the wreath. It was agreed the clerk write to ask them to advise the council if there was a need to recruit someone to undertake the annual collection. Hacker Young wrote to confirm the Audit of the Annual Return for the year ending March 31, 2006 and commented on the need to complete the risk assessment papers. The clerk said this was in hand.

6] Planning matters

Planning Applications

06/01622/FUL Mr D Rhodes; Single storey extension to dwelling, extension and conversion of stables to farm gym and swimming pool; Homecroft, Wymeswold Road, Thorpe in the Glebe. No Objections

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06/01995/FUL Mr and Mrs Wyles; Alteration and extension to bungalow including porch extension, bay windows, dormer windows and rooflights; Five Oaks Stables, Rempstone Lane. Grant Permission

Planning Appeal

06/00860/COU Brookland Stables; Use of site and buildings as a commercial horse racing stables, including stabling, keeping, care, exercising and training of racehorses, retention of the covered horse walker, erection of stable block (13 boxes with feed store, tack room and staff facilities), car parking and servicing areas; Brookland Stables, Costock Road. The Parish Council objected to the proposals. The council was informed the matter would be dealt with by written correspondence and there would not be a hearing.

Notice of Proposed Work to Trees

Fell an Eucalyptus and Crown Reduction of other trees at The Retreat, Wysall Conservation Area. Rushcliffe Borough Council did not propose to make a Tree Preservation Order.

7] Village Hall

Coun. Mrs Elston reported on the decision to cancel the ceilidh because of lack of ticket sales and the fact they had had to pay £190 for the cancelled engagement.

Members were informed that a cheque for £2000 was being handed to the clerk that evening from the hall accounts.

Work was progressing on obtaining quotations for a new kitchen for the hall and it was agreed that Couns. Mrs Mary Elston, Mrs Charlotte James and Mrs Alison Avery meet to finalise arrangements on the type of contractor to seek to undertake the work.

It was agreed that the Methodist Church be allowed to see if room was available for storing two boxes of books etc. in the kitchen to avoid the need to carry them upstairs each time a service had been held in the hall. An offer of a notice board from the Methodist Church was accepted with thanks. It would be erected outside the hall adjacent to the existing one, the latter being in need of refurbishment.

8] Environment

Coun. Calnan reported on the work that had been undertaken in the area of The Steps and said it was necessary to obtain a bill in order the money could be paid during this financial year. Tenders for grass cutting were to be sought by the clerk. It was agreed that the bank near The Steps not to be included this year in the work to be undertaken.

9] Finance

It was agreed to authorise payment of the accounts as per the schedule.

Budget and Precept 2007/2008: Members discussed a report presented by the clerk that outlined the suggested expenditure and income for the coming year. It was unanimously agreed that a precept of £6925 be sought for the 12month period in question.

10] Chairman's Matters

The date of the next meeting was agreed for March 6, 2007 at 8.00pm at the Village Hall and Coun. Roberts gave his apologies in advance.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10.20pm.