

**Minutes of a meeting of Wysall and Thorpe in the Glebe Parish Council held in the Village Hall, Wysall, Tuesday January 7, 2014, at 7.30pm**

Couns. David Roberts (Chairman)  
Simon Stephens (Vice-chairman) Carolyn Birch  
Charlotte James David Grenz  
Vicki Plant Helen Lewin

Also present: Clerk Mike Elliott, Notts County Council member John Cottee, Rushcliffe Borough Council member Fiona Mason and one member of the public.

- 1] **Apologies** There were none
- 2] **Declarations of Interest** There were none
- 3] **Minutes from previous meeting on December 3, 2013**, were accepted as circulated and signed by the chairman

4] **Casual vacancy**

The clerk said there had been no direct request to him in regard to the vacancy.

Coun. Grenz proposed and Coun. James seconded the casual vacancy be filled by Lindsay Redfern and this was unanimously approved. The chairman welcomed Coun. Redfern as a new councillor. The new member signed the necessary Acceptance of Office form and took part in the remainder of the meeting.

5] **Clerk's report**

Contact had been made with the Lottery Heritage Fund in regard to the finalization of the accounts for the restored church clock and the interpretation board and final determination on the financial position would be agreed shortly.

Poppy seeds purchased and advice is that the planning needs to be carried in March. The council agreed that some planting be carried out around trees, in the beds at the front of the village hall, and an approach be made to the parish church for some of the seeds to be used there. Others would be used for planting around the village signs.

A 'Slow' sign now provided on the road at the bend adjacent to the horse stables property on Keyworth Road.

Two more quotations have been requested for the village hall work. One firm had said they did not wish to quote. A second firm are to quote.

Notts County Council will advise in May if the council funding application for ornamental signs for the village had been successful.

6] **Correspondence**

Vista360. gave details of usage of the website which showed that in December there had been 613 hits by 431 visitors. Notts County Council advised of a BT Broadband Meeting on January 29.

Rural Community Action Nottinghamshire wrote seeking comment on the type of services the council felt might be needed in the parish to assist older people in the parish or the younger generation needing to get to social activities. It was agreed the letter be circulated to all members and also be placed on the website.

7] **Planning matters**

Rushcliffe Borough Council planning applications

13/02360/ful. J Butterfield, Longcliffe Farm, Keyworth Road, Wysall. Demolish existing dwelling and erection of replacement dwelling and all associated work (design amendments to scheme approved under planning permission 12/01173/ful). No objection.

Rushcliffe Borough Council planning decisions

There were no decisions.

**8] Village Hall**

Rushcliffe Borough Council had promised to deliver the new village hall litter bin the following day.

Mrs Gill Berridge has agreed to take over from Mary Elston in regard to being the new promoter for the gaming licence for the hall. There will be an amount of £20 to pay.

The chairman said they were still waiting for the new bank details to be finalised.

Coun. Roberts reported that the carol singing in the village prior to Christmas had raised in the region of £220. The cash is going to the charities supported by the late Mrs Mary Elston.

The matter of the presence of moles under the grassed area at the rear of the village hall was discussed. The chairman said advice he had obtained from a spokesperson for Natural England said it was not recommended that moles were caught and released to a new site. They required a food intake at least every four hours or would not survive and moving them to a new site could result in their deaths. The council agreed that action be put in hand to exterminate the moles. Coun. Redfern offered to ask the contractor she uses if they would look at the situation.

Thanks were offered to Coun. Birch and her husband for the gift of a fine new cupboard for use in the hall. It had been made by Mr Birch.

**9] Environment**

The chairman reported that Notts County Council has agreed to carry out an assessment procedure to check on the speed of traffic using Widmerpool Road. The clerk was asked to report a blocked drain on Widmerpool Road adjacent to Wess's barn and opposite Northfield Court.

**10] Finance**

**a] Cheques for payment** were approved as per the circulated list.

**b] Expenditure for 2014-5 and Precept**

Members discussed a report presented by the clerk which indicated there was a need for an anticipated expenditure of £10,380 in 2014-15. Anticipated income from village hall use and events was put at £4000.

After discussion it was agreed that the precept for 2014-15 should be £8,250, the same figure as for 2013-14.

**11] Chairman's Matters**

Coun. Mrs Lewin raised the matter of installation of the pod swing to the play area, that item having been purchased but not used in the current play area scheme. The council agreed to consider the matter again in March and if the suggestion was to proceed to organise consultations with neighbours to the site.

Coun. Mrs Plant was to provide the clerk with detail of the baby unit suggested for the hall.

A resident raised the question of speeding farm traffic through the village. It was suggested that there was a national restriction on the speed of tractors at 20mph. The council agreed that Couns. Redfern and Plant would provide the clerk with a list of names and addresses of farms in Wysall and surrounding villages in order they could be written to and told of the concerns that exist on dangers from farm vehicles going too fast through the village.

The clerk as asked to progress a suggestion of 30mph stickers being provided to residents to display on their wheelie bins.

**13] Agenda Items for Next meeting** on February 4, No further items for discussion at the next parish council meeting were put forward.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.55pm