

Cannock Wood Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting
held at the Village Hall, Buds Road, Cannock Wood
On Thursday 17th January 2013

Present:

Cllrs: Mrs P. Chapman, Mrs P. Ansell, Mr R. Cowling, Mr G. Powis (Chair).

In Attendance:

Cllr John Bernard – Staffordshire County Council

Mr Graham Hunt – Staffordshire County Council

Public Participation:

No items were raised in the public open forum part of the meeting.

Forensic Marking:

Councillor Bernard introduced Mr Graham Hunt from Staffs CC who gave councillors much useful information regarding the supply and usage of security marking products. The Parish Council has been awarded a grant of £2,000 by Councillor Bernard to facilitate the distribution of these products to various homes in the village. It is also anticipated that some homes may be able to purchase the product at a much reduced price. Councillors discussed the issue and it was agreed that Mr Hunt would provide further details for our next meeting and would then come back in March to explore matters further. Mr Hunt then left the meeting.

1. Apologies:

Apologies were received from Cllrs Mrs S. Janes, Mrs M. Allen and Parish Clerk Ms Naazlin Somani.

2. Approval of Minutes for the Meeting held on 29 November 2012.

The minutes of the meeting were read and with one alteration were signed as a true and correct record. The alteration concerns item 11 and should read village hall car park not roof.

3. Matters arising from the minutes.

Contact had not been made with the owner of the 4x4 concerned despite several visits. This is ongoing.

4. Planning.

It was noted that there were no applications or approvals to consider. A query was raised in plans submitted a while ago. (Ref nos CH120143 & CH120312). Councillor Bernard agreed to raise this matter at a meeting he was due to attend.

5. Finance.

Details of the bank accounts and financial transactions to date had been sent by the Clerk and were discussed by councillors. It was noted that there was £4,517.63 on the current account

and £4,209.05 in the Three Month Premium Account. The following accounts were approved for payment:-

Cannock Chase AONB membership
Ms N. Somani – Clerk Salary for January
Ms N. Somani – Clerk’s expenses

6. Electricity Supply.

There had been one short interruption since last meeting.

7. Water Pressure.

There had been no issues since last meeting.

8. Correspondence.

Nothing received or sent

9. Road Safety and Maintenance in the Village.

A fairly large pothole had appeared opposite 26 Park Gate Road and this would be reported to the relevant authority.

10. Parish Council Website.

A report on activity on the website since last meeting was given and discussed, It was agreed to put on the website the fact that grant applications could be submitted and would be discussed at the October meeting and funds allocated at the November meeting.

11. Village Hall Car Park.

It was reported that all of the holes had now been filled in.

12. Councillors Reports.

Councillor Bernard commented on the crime figures which had been highlighted by Mr Hunt in his talk. Cllr Bernard also informed councillors of the latest developments with both Cannock and Stafford Hospitals.

13. Items for discussion/Future agendas.

Forensic marking.

14. Date of next meeting.

The date of the next Parish Council meeting would be Thursday 21st March 2013.

_____ **Chairman**

_____ **Date**