

Cannock Wood Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting
held at the Village Hall, Buds Road, Cannock Wood
On Thursday 21 February 2013

Present:

Cllrs: Mrs P. Chapman, Mrs P. Ansell, Mrs S. Janes, Mrs M. Allen and I. Bamford

In Attendance:

N. Somani – Parish Clerk

Public Participation:

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

1. Apologies:

Apologies were received from Cllrs. Mr R. Cowling, Mr G. Powis

2. Approval of Minutes for the Meeting held on 17 January 2013.

The minutes of the meeting were read and signed as a true and correct record.

3. Matters arising from the minutes.

There were no matter arising that were not being covered as part of the agenda.

4. Planning.

It was noted that there were no planning application. Members were also informed that the communication of planning applications had been resolved. Councillor P. Chapman had been in contact with CCDC regarding receiving application. It became apparent that the contact information had been removed from the consultation list for Cannock Wood Parish Council. The relevant information had now been reinstated and it was hoped that applications would now be received in a timely fashion.

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:-

Village Hall rent - £75.00

Beaudesert Rec. Grant towards swing replacement - £500.00

Ms N. Somani – Clerk Salary for January

Ms N. Somani – Clerk's expenses

Members discussed the 2013-14 budget and expected spend. The Clerk informed the Council of the Government Grant that would be paid towards the precept in view of council tax localisation. It was noted that the grant would be approximately £700.00. Following a details debate Member proposed that a precept of £11,000.00 be approved. The additional precept would be used towards the village hall, car park and to support local groups.

The Clerk informed Members of the changes to NI/PAYE and the real time system. It was agreed that there would be a further discussion at the next meeting.

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 number of pot holes had become apparent – the clerk took a note of the areas that were affected and agreed to inform highways to have the work done ASAP.

10. Parish Council Website.

A report on activity on the website since last meeting was given and discussed.

11. Village Hall Car Park.

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

12. Councillors Reports.

There were no reports from councillors

13. Items for discussion/Future agendas.

Forensic marking – it was agreed that there needed to be a detailed debate on how the council would communicate and offer the smart water to residents and who should the Parish Council should provide the smart water to at no cost.

It was felt that the initial step would be to invite local residents to a meeting which would give the details on the smart water and what its purpose was.

Members agreed that they should individually consider an action plan for discussion at the March meeting. An article would also be placed in the village news and a meeting arranged for public consultation.

14. Date of next meeting.

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

_____ Chairman

_____ Date