

Minutes of a Meeting of Wysall and Thorpe in the Glebe Parish Council held in the Village Hall, Wysall, Tuesday July 6, 2010, at 7pm

Couns. Philip Harris (Chairman)
Simon Stephens (Vice-chairman) Mary Elston
Carolyn Birch (A) David Roberts
Charlotte James Helen Lewin (A)
Alison Avery

Also present: The clerk Mike Elliott.

Prior to the start of the meeting Mr Nigel Hamshere of the Greening Campaign gave a presentation on the benefits of the parish staging a campaign. The aim was to form a group within the parish to formulate staging a campaign and it was agreed the idea be progressed. Mr Hamshere would provide the necessary paperwork etc to enable progress.

- 1] **Apologies** were received from Coun. Mrs Fiona Mason (Rushcliffe Borough Council).
- 2] **Declarations of Interest** There were none.
- 3] **Minutes from previous meeting held on June 1, 2010**, were accepted as circulated and signed by the chairman.
- 4] **Clerk's report** No matters were raised.
- 5] **Correspondence**

Nottinghamshire County Council wrote in respect of the application for a Modification Order on the bridleway from Lings Lane, Keyworth, to Occupation Lane, Wysall, and explained the matter had not been finalised and would be raised at a further meeting in September.

Notts Branch of the Campaign to Protect Rural England wrote in regard to the Best Kept Village Competition 2010 and said Wysall had not been placed in the top four. Rushcliffe Community and Voluntary Service wrote in regard to the funding needs for its Voluntary Transport Scheme and it was agreed to donate £50. Rural Community Action Nottinghamshire gave an update on recent projects it was undertaking as well as giving details of its Annual General Meeting.

Rushcliffe Borough Council wrote with a parish summer sports offer including tickets for cricket matches at Trent Bridge and it was agreed to apply for eight of them. The clerk was also asked to write to Rushcliffe Borough Council to comment on the need to give additional time for councils to consider the offers being made.

Nottinghamshire County Council wrote in respect of offering parish councils the chance to assist in the delivery of local services but the council felt this was not feasible for it other than to look at the question of grass cutting. Rushcliffe Borough Council advised of its annual Small Environmental Improvement Schemes Programme 2010/2011 involving assistance for councils with a Parish Planting and Landscaping Scheme. Concerns were expressed by the council on this expenditure that in the current financial situation could not be warranted. The clerk was to write to the Borough Council to say it would wish the money it could have been granted to be given instead to a better cause, with a suggestion that it be used for such as the Rushcliffe CVS appeal for its community transport scheme. The clerk was asked to ensure the Borough Council confirmed its intention to put the money that would have been allocated to the parish council to a much better use.

The chairman had received a letter from Roger Kirkbride of Wymswold Pharmacy seeking support from the council in its efforts to ensure the pharmaceutical services currently available were maintained. The matter would be looked at again when further information was available.

- 6] **Planning matters**
Planning Applications: There were none.

Rushcliffe Borough Council Decisions: There were none.

Notification of Proposed Works to Trees

10/00091/CONARE Reduce height of Ash trees to the height of the Hedgerow; 1 Little London Lane, Wysall Conservation Area. Rushcliffe Borough Council did not propose to make a Tree Preservation Order and the work had been allowed to proceed.

10/00092/CONARE Fell 1 Conifer and 6 Leylandii and reduce by 50% height of 1 Conifer; The Retreat, Wymeswold Road, Wysall Conservation Area. Rushcliffe Borough Council did not propose to make a Tree Preservation Order and the work had been allowed to proceed.

- 7] **Village Hall**

Coun. Mrs Elston reported on forthcoming fundraising events planned, including another Village Ventures show, wine tasting and the Christmas Fayre.

The provision of a new public seat through Notts County Council's Local Improvement Scheme and to be sited in the grounds at the rear of the village hall was welcomed by members.

8] Environment

Concerns were expressed by the chairman, supported by members, on the poor presentation given by Rushcliffe Borough Council on the occasion it had staged an exhibition concerning changes to the village Conservation Area. Coun. Harris said the event served no purpose and the inadequate presentation given left visitors knowing no more than when they arrived at the hall. It was considered the overall scheme was a waste of resources and there was criticism of the lack of implementation by the planners of rules governing development in Conservation Areas.

Coun. Roberts reported on the dumping of a caravan on land at the side of the road just over the parish boundary alongside Bunny Hall grounds wall and which had now been burnt out by fire.

The clerk was asked to obtain quotes for the removal of two trees in the grounds of the village hall, both causing a problem for houses on the boundary of the land concerned.

Comment was made that the village telephone kiosk was now a card-only telephone.

9] Website

Coun. Mrs Avery reported sustained high use of the website and said it was pleasing to know this was continuing. The council was told that the Village Hall Committee had agreed to purchase a digital camera to allow more photographs to be taken for putting on the website.

10] Finance Members authorised payment of accounts as per the schedule presented.

Total expenditure for meeting	£1,133.12	£124.13	£1,257.25
Total expenditure to date in the current financial year	£7,204.14	£844.14	£8,048.28

11] Chairman's Matters

The chairman praised the work that had been carried out on the interpretation board being made in connection with the village clock project. It was hoped the board could be launched at a service in the parish church on Remembrance Day in November.

12] Agenda Items for Next meeting to be held on Tuesday September 7, 2010

Members were invited to suggest further items for discussion at the next parish council meeting but none were put forward.

There was no further business and the meeting closed at 9.05pm.