



**7] Village Hall**

Coun. David Roberts provided a written village hall report in which he said there were no imminent fund raising or other events before the Diamond Jubilee. He had carried out a descaling operation on the kitchen water heater but there were still problems with it. It was suggested a new unit be purchased. Work had commenced on the refurbishment scheme upstairs at the hall.

He said the Village Hall Committee was seeking the immediate removal of the play equipment at the rear of the site because it felt it was possibly dangerous, being in considerable disrepair. The council felt it could not agree to that suggestion. Coun. Stephens would look to deal with the offensive graffiti and the chairman would produce a notice for displaying on the hall notice board saying new equipment was planned.

Coun. Mrs James reported that a funding application for the proposed new play equipment was currently being submitted.

The council was made aware of a hiring application for use of the hall for an event to raise money for cancer in July involving a band. There was no reason to express concerns but a reminder would be given that the event had to be completed by 12 midnight.

Coun. Mrs Avery said there was a need to purchase serving dishes for use in the hall kitchen.

**8] Environment** There was nothing raised.

**9] Website** The monthly report from the site showed there had been 2791 hits in February, the highest figure for six months.

**10] Play Equipment update** The scheme for the replacement equipment was proceeding.

**11] Village Plan**

Coun. Mrs James reported on her attendance at a NALC / CPRE seminar on planning and said the question of parish and neighbourhood plans had been discussed. She said it was obvious the emerging Rushcliffe Local Development Plan was something the parish council needed to keep a careful watch over. It was agreed it be raised as an agenda item from time to time.

The meeting felt it would be difficult to progress a neighbourhood plan for the village because of the necessary requirements that had to be met.

**12] Finance** Members authorised payment of accounts as per the schedule presented:

Chq No.		Net Total	VAT	TOTAL
1392	Mary Elston (Grant Towards Children's Christmas Party)	£94.00	£0.00	£94.00
1393	Burton Charity Account (Balance Towards Grant re Children's Christmas Party)	£20.98	£0.00	£20.98
1394	Elliott News Service (Office Administration February 2012)	£136.14	£0.00	£136.14
1395	M D Elliott (Clerk's Salary re Parish Council Meeting Held in March 2012)	£14.13	£0.00	£14.13
1396	PAYE (Tax re Clerk's Salary re Parish Council Meeting Held in March 2012)	£3.53	£0.00	£3.53
1397	Elliott News Service (Part Cost Annual Society of Local Council Clerks Subscription)	£50.00	£0.00	£50.00
1398	M D Elliott (Postage, Phone, Photocopying etc February 2012; Office Use)	£50.11	£0.00	£50.11
1399	Elliott News Service (Office Administration March 2012)	£136.14	£0.00	£136.14
<b>Total expenditure for meeting</b>		<b>£505.03</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£505.03</b>
<b>Total expenditure to date in the current financial year</b>		<b>£7,171.15</b>	<b>£484.99</b>	<b>£7,656.14</b>

**13] Queen's Diamond Jubilee**

The chairman confirmed that the Windmill Folk had been booked for a Barn Dance to be held on Monday June 4. Coun. Mrs Avery reported that Mr Chris Noble was able to meet the requirements for a souvenir mug but others firms were also available.

**14] Chairman's Matters**

It was agreed the Annual Parish Meeting be held on Tuesday May 1 at 7pm, to be followed by a meeting of the parish council. Coun. Mrs James said she would not be seeking reelection as chairman for the coming year.

**15] Agenda Items for Next meeting**

The question of the Volunteer Awards scheme would be raised as an agenda item for the next meeting. The chairman gave apologies for the meeting.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.55pm.