

Minutes of the Council meeting held at 7.00 p.m on 4th January 2010 in the Parish Hall.

Present: Councillors C Swift, P D Thomas, M. A. Wilkinson, M A Thomas, J Chisholm, B Wortley, A Cope, 2 members of the Press, Pc J Dickson, Pc Aysha Fichna, 3 members of the Public and the Clerk were also in attendance.

1. **Apologies for Absence:** were received from Councillors J Longden, A Williams, P Clarke.
2. **Declaration of interest:** None declared
3. **To accept the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 7th December 2009:** The Minutes of the meeting were accepted as a true record and signed by the Vice Chairman.

4. Matters Arising

- 4.1. Dog fouling on the land between Byron Road and Moseley Road is still a serious problem, therefore it is requested that the Dog Warden continues to visit the area.

It was agreed to ask ADC to supply an additional dog waste bin to be situated at the top of Moseley Road.

- 4.2. The trees on Moseley Road are entangled with the telephone wires and also obstruct the lighting columns. ADC to be requested to cut back the trees. Follow up required.
- 4.3. The "Play Area" sign has been removed from the top of Moseley Road. Report to ADC. Follow up required.
- 4.4. The picnic benches currently in storage are to be returned and sited in the middle of the grassed area between Byron Road and Moseley Road. It was agreed to get the benches returned in Spring 2010.
- 4.5. Cllr R Madden to provide further updates at future meetings of the proposed closure of the library on Skegby Road, Annesley Woodhouse.
- 4.6. There is still a serious problem with vehicles mounting the pavement at the Annesley Cutting junction. Issue to be reported to ADC Highways dept.
- 4.7. Fixed Wire testing in the Parish Hall needs to be arranged.
- 4.8. Cllr C Swift reported that a number of trees are over hanging Annesley Cutting. Forestry Commission to be contacted.
- 4.9. Cllr P D Thomas reported that road drainage was causing a flooding problem on the A611 near the old Vicarage. Cllr R Madden will take this issue up with ADC.
- 4.10. Cllr P D Thomas reported that the verges are encroaching on to the road on Annesley Cutting. Report to ADC.
- 4.11. Cllr M A Thomas reported the Parish Hall sign on Byron Road was not very visible. ADC to be contacted to get the sign cleaned.
- 4.12. Cllr M A Thomas suggested that additional low level lighting should be installed around the children's play area and playing field. ADC to be contacted to establish the possibilities.
- 4.13. Cllr J Chisholm asked if representatives of the Newstead Youth Club could visit the Annesley Youth Club in January 2010. This was agreed.
- 4.14. The quote of £120 for erecting the new notice board in the cemetery was considered expensive. Cllr J Longden to look at suitable cost effective alternatives

5. Annesley Colliery site

- 5.1. Memorial Design – Still waiting for Persimmon's response.
- 5.2. Heritage Centre – Still waiting for Persimmon's response.

- 5.3. GP Surgery – Meeting to be arranged.
- 5.4. Parish Hall Refurbishment – Request has been made to Persimmon for payment of the funding for refurbishment of the Parish Hall.

6. Bentinck Void

- 6.1. A number of objections have now been raised by the Environment Agency. Cllr R Madden to continue to provide updates at future meetings

7. Policing Issues

- 7.1. Any policing issues should be reported and a crime reference number obtained.
- 7.2. PC J Dickson can be contacted on her mobile number 07708879261 and the non-emergency contact number is 03003009999.
- 7.3. PC J Dickson reported that the level of crime in the Annesley area was low with only four policing issues being reported in the last month – two thefts, one anti-social behaviour and one assault.
- 7.4. PC J Dickson informed the meeting that a Neighbourhood Priority Survey Questionnaire had been distributed within the Village to obtain feed back from residents on what they consider to be the important policing issues and priorities.

8. Public Questions

- 8.1. A resident raised concern at the possible inclusion of wind turbines in the Annesley North East Tip Country Park development. Councillors understanding was that it was only a proposal at this stage and for it to progress the necessary planning approval would be required.

9. Chairman's Urgent Items

- 9.1. None

10. Members Items

- 10.1. Cllr M Wilkinson reported that all the grit bins in the village are empty. ADC have confirmed that there is a shortage of grit due to the severe weather conditions.
- 10.2. Cllr M Wilkinson asked for opinions on what should happen to the computers that are in storage and also the unused broadband connection. It was agreed that the computers should remain in storage until the Parish Hall refurbishment, but the broadband connection should be terminated as soon as possible.
- 10.3. Cllr M Wilkinson suggested that the 2010 Children's Xmas party should be tailored to meet the requirements of the Community. It was agreed and will be discussed at a future Council meeting.
- 10.4. Cllr PD Thomas reported that there had been problems with the heating system in the Parish Hall. British Gas to be requested to investigate.

11. Youth Club

- 11.1. Youth Club continues to be very successful and a number of events are planned for 2010.
- 11.2. The Youth Club was closed for two weeks over Xmas, but re-opens on 6th January 2010.

12. Cemetery

- 12.1. The report on unstable headstones, produced by Cllr J Chisholm and Anthony Clarke, will be discussed at the February 2010 meeting.

13. Parish Hall

- 13.1. Parish Hall Bookings were discussed and agreed.

14. Parish Plan Review

- 14.1. No further update.

15. Report of External Meetings

- 15.1. None.

16. Planning Applications

16.1. None received this month

17. Correspondence requiring attention and outstanding replies list.

17.1. Other correspondence was dealt with at the appropriate place in the agenda.

18. Finance Statement and accounts for payment

The Clerk presented the monthly financial statements and provided copies.

18.1. Payments for approval were as follows:

Direct debit	British Gas	£23.50	Heating Boiler maintenance
Direct debit	Ashfield DC	£51.00	Business Rates - Parish Hall
Direct debit	EON	£352.55	Gas bill for Parish Hall
100053	Clarke's Cemetery Services	£580.00	Grounds/Maintenance work - Dec 2009
100054	TwoLittleFishes	£257.50	50% deposit for website development
100055	AIS Total Security	£136.73	Annual alarm system
100056	HMRC	£95.08	PAYE on Dec 2009 salary
100057	J Barlow	£448.57	Salary & Expenses for Dec 2009
100058	R Cope	£30.00	Gritting services
	Total	£1,964.93	

18.2. Following the recommendations from the Finance Committee meeting on 15th December 2009 the following items were agreed at this meeting:

18.2.1. The 2010/11 Budget was agreed and approved.

18.2.2. The proposed changes to the Financial Regulations were agreed and approved.

18.2.3. The Standing Orders were reviewed and it was agreed that no amendments were necessary.

18.2.4. The recommended revision to the 2010 pricing structure for Cemetery charges was agreed and approved.

18.2.5. It was agreed to not increase the Parish Hall charges for 2010.

18.2.6. Following a review of costs it was agreed that sufficient funds were available for the development of the new website.

18.3. The accounts were passed for payment.

19. Other items

Alex Price (BBC Project Officer) did not attend the meeting, therefore no update was available on project progress.

The meeting closed at 8.30pm.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held at the Parish Hall on Monday 1st February 2010 commencing at 7.00pm.

Signed.....Date.....
Chairman of Annesley & Felley Parish Council