

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON **TUESDAY 5th February 2008** IN THE JUBILEE ROOM OF THE VILLAGE HALL

Present: Councillors: Lynette Wilcox (Chairperson), S. Mather, D.Bird, D.Chalmers and L Thornton (Clerk)

Also Present: District Councillor Janet Wood,

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Action

343/07 Open Forum

Mrs M George referred to the flooding in July 2007, they are no longer being flooded but Mrs George is very concerned about who is, water is backing up through the village. The school stream which goes under the road and joins the mains is blocked.

Cllr Wilcox requested the clerk writes to the County Council as they had promised to resolve the problem on their site visit last August

Clerk

Mr D George showed the Council the certificate which has arrived to verify that Coaley is now a fair trade village. Mr George would like a photo with the chair to go in the newsletter. Mr George has received the quote to produce the signs to be placed at the entrances to the village, these are £33.75 each plus £15.00 carriage, CoSPA are willing to buy one if the Parish Council would purchase the other. The fair trade fortnight will take place 24th February until 9th March. Cllr Wilcox congratulated the CoSPA committee on achieving this status and the Council will discuss during the meeting whether they will purchase a sign.

Mrs E Binn spoke on behalf of Coaley playgroup, they are hoping to have a fun day in the summer 2009 which will be a joint fundraiser with the cricket club but all the organisations in the village will be invited to partake. This had been planned for this year but the church is celebrating 150 years so it was decided next year would be more suitable. Instead for this year the playgroup are hoping to have a barn dance and would like the councils permission to erect a tent on the playing field, they had hoped to use a barn but there are not any available and the village hall does not have any liquor licences left for this year.

Cllr Wilcox will contact Mrs Binn's about the licence in the near future.

District Cllr Janet Wood brought to the attention of the council application for an additional byway open to all traffic and to reclassify public bridleways CC085A and CUL4 to byways open to all traffic from Spring Tynning through Coaley Woods to Crawley Hill. Cllr Wood would like the Council to object to this application.

Cllr Wilcox felt the council were sitting on the fence with this application as 57 local people have supported the application plus two outside organisations, the Council would like to see the paths opened as footpaths and bridleways although motor vehicles would not be encouraged.

Cllr Wood confirmed Council tax will be increasing by 2.5%, SDC will continue with the webcam which costs 60,000 to run. And half a million pounds needs to go into the pension fund. Council houses rent will be going up by 4.9%, 60

million pounds come in the district council but a third goes back to central government.

Cllr Wood reported that Uley post office will not be closing although Sharpness, Minchinhampton will be.

Cllr Wood advised that there will soon be two more neighbourhood wardens, more details to follow.

344/07 Apologies

Cllr L Bryant, Cllr P Ashman, Cllr D Randall and County Cllr D. Andrewartha

345/07 Declarations of Interest by Councillors

None

346/07 Minutes of the meeting held on 8th January 2008 were approved and signed as a true and correct record by those present at the meeting.

347/07 Planning

The Council Considered:

- a) S.07/2782/FUL – 3 West End, The Street – Amendments to approved application S.07/2191/FUL erection of two storey extension to rear and internal alterations

The Council resolved to support this application.

- b) S.07/2746/FUL – The Grove, Knapp Lane – Alterations to existing garage.

The Council resolved to support this application.

348/07 Accounts

a) Incomes received and payments for authorization

Income Received

Alison Hambling	22.50	Newsletter Advertising (part payment)
Coaley Rovers	100.00	Hire of recreation field

Payments for Authorisation

L. Thornton	322.40	Wage (January 2008)
Buckstops	212.00	Newsletter publishing
Coaley Village Hall	49.50	Hire of Jubilee room Nov, Dec, Jan
L. Thornton	65.00	Newsletter editing

349/07 Clerks Report

1. The clerk advised that Moore Stephens have been appointed as the external auditors for the Council for the next 5 years. Any opposition to this must be filed by the 29th February, all Councillors were happy.
2. The consultation of minerals core strategy and waste core strategy has been received and was placed in the circulation envelope.
3. A members code of conduct training session will take place on Thursday 28th February at Ebley Mill followed by additional sessions on Wednesday 19th March and Thursday 27th March.
4. The update on the post office closures for the area have been published these were placed in the circulation envelope.
5. The Golden Valley Classic MCC will be passing through the village on Sunday 2nd March.
6. The consultation on orders and regulations relating to the conduct of local authority members has been received and was placed in the circulation envelope.
7. The gardening assistance scheme for 2008 has now been launched and the clerk has placed a poster on the notice boards.
8. The clerk read out a couple of thank you cards which have been received, these were sent to thank the Council for the wine distributed to the volunteers who deliver the newsletter.
9. SDC have written to advise of the annual spring clean, there is also a competition for the cleanest village, the details were placed in the circulation envelope.

350/07 Website Update

Cllr Wilcox has spoken to Ann Morgan but she is due to start a new job therefore is not interested but Ann suggested Dudley George. Cllr Wilcox spoke to Mr George who was very interested and he was going to contact John Hobson to get more details.

351/07 Cemeteries Update

Due to the absence of the sub-committee this will be placed for forward consideration.

352/07 Allotment Update

Cllr Bird had nothing to report.

353/07 Village Maintenance

Cllr Bird reported that the gardens at Hamshill have been cleared and it is looking much better.

354/07 Highways Repairs & maintenance

Cllr Mather reported a pothole on the way to Far Green, also another pothole opposite Colin Prouts. Clerk to advise Cllr Randall of these.

Clerk

Update in fair trade status

The Council concluded to pay for 2 signs and half the postage and allow CoSPA to pay for an additional one and then all the Coaley signs will state the village is fair-trade. Cllr Chalmers will advise Mr George of the Councils decision.

356/07 Any other business

357/0 Matters for forward consideration
7 Website

358/07 Items for Press Release and publicity on the website
Minutes

Date of the next meeting
Tuesday 4th March 2008
Meeting closed at 9.09 pm.