

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2007 IN THE JUBILEE ROOM OF THE VILLAGE HALL**

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

REF		Action
230/07	<p><u>Open Forum</u></p> <p>Mr &amp; Mrs George brought to the attention of the Council the sewers overflowing at the bottom of the village. During the recent heavy rains. Mr and Mrs George's house was flooded as were several of the neighbours. The problem is not only the water but also the raw sewage which is on the road, gardens and in houses. Mr And Mrs George requested that the Parish Council write to Severn Trent to emphasise the severe problem that some residents are facing. The mains drainage lids were lifted off by the force of the water.</p> <p>District Councillor Janet Wood suggested a site meeting between Mr Mooney from GCC, Nr Nightingale of SDC, a Severn Trent representative and the parishioners and Parish Council. Clerk to seek a date for a site meeting.</p> <p>Mrs George also raised the discovery of a land drain across their garden; Mr and Mrs George would like to know where this drain goes but are having difficulty sourcing the information.</p> <p>Cllr Janet Wood, commented on the condition of the Coaley to Uley road, it is in an exceptionally poor state. Cllr Wood advised that everything is relatively quite at SDC, there will be some changes to the planning strategy committee which will be reduced in members from 17 to 12, which Cllr Wood did not feel was a good thing.</p> <p>SDC will be enforcing the 2005 litter act, Cllr Wood informed the council that SDC will be prosecuting and publishing all prosecutions.</p> <p>County Councillor Dennis Andrewartha reported on a recent episode of Panorama which had highlighted problems of children being adopted in this Country. Cllr Andrewartha which to make it clear no cases have taken place in the County.</p> <p>Cllr Andrewartha stated that the Parish charter had highlighted a lack of performance from Highways, contacting of highways has been revisited; Cllr Andrewartha will forward all the relevant e-mail addresses to the Parish Council.</p>	Clerk
231/07	<p><u>Apologies</u></p> <p>Cllr Bryant and Cllr Chalmers sent their apologies.</p>	
232/07	<p><u>Co-option of new Councillor – Daryl Bird</u></p> <p>Daryl Bird was welcomed to the Council and duly signed the acceptance of office document. A register of interest will be completed in due course.</p>	

233/07 Declarations of Interest by Councillors

None

234/07 Minutes of the meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> June 2007 were approved and signed as a true and correct record by those present at the meeting.

235/07 PlanningThe Council Considered:

a) S.07/1232/FUL – Victory Cottage – Erection of a 2-3 metre high dry stone wall next to highway boundary.

**The Council resolved to neither support or object but to make comment**

The Council has received permission for:

a) S.07/1023/FUL– 25, The Close – Erection of a conservatory.

b) S.07/1062/FUL – The Granary, Silver Street – Two storey rear and single storey rear extension.

c) S.07/0709/FUL – Upper Orchard, Garter Court – Erection of a conservatory.

d) S.07/0695/FUL – Haw Cottage, Haw Street – Erection of single storey extension.

236/07 Accountsa) Incomes received and payments for authorizationIncome:

R.G. Mann	45.00	Newsletter Advertisement
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Payments for Authorisation

L. Thornton	322.40	Wage (June 07)
Coaley Village Hall	66.00	Jubilee Room Hire, April/May/June & Annual Assembly 24 <sup>th</sup> April
CoSPA	438.00	Parish Grant for paint
T.W.Hawkins	409.30	Grass Cutting

Accounts approved by the Council

b) 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Accounts

Approved by the Council.

237/07 Clerks Report.

1. The clerk advised the council of a letter received from GCC regarding asset survey of the public right of way. Due to bad weather the survey has been delayed but to date they have surveyed 1,500 miles of paths and completed half of the network.
2. The clerk has received a letter regarding the review of all polling stations and the Council has been asked to comment on the existing arrangements. The Council agreed they are happy with the present

	circumstances and do not wish to see any change. The clerk to reply.	Clerk
	3. The clerk had been in touch with SDC regarding the new litter bin in the playarea. SDC reported that they would not empty a bin this far from the public highway. Cllr Wilcox recalled that Ruth Hobbs used to empty the old bin and place the bag by the road. The clerk to contact Ruth and see if she is happy to continue with this arrangement.	Clerk
	4. Norton's Alley has still not been cleared, the Council agreed to put a working party together and clear at the weekend.	
238/07	<u>Coaley Rovers Rental of the Recreation Ground</u> The council were in full agreement to continue the present agreement with Coaley Rovers at the same rate as last season. Clerk to send out necessary paperwork.	Clerk
239/07	<u>Code of Conduct</u> Cllr Wilcox felt this should be held off until the next meeting when more Councillors will be present.	
240/07	<u>Allotment Update</u> Cllr Wilcox had been to the allotments and a lot the plots are being neglected. It was agreed 2 councillors would visit the tenants with a two week deadline to either start cultivating the plots or return them to the council. The clerk to write the necessary letters and forward to Cllr Wilcox.	Clerk
241/07	<u>Highways repairs and Maintenance</u> The Council expressed concern regarding Trenley Road the sign is not forthcoming and 3 more HGV have got stuck up there in the last month. The Council asked the clerk to write to highways and offer to pay for the cost of the signage in order to obtain it quicker, The bin at Hamshill needs to be replaced, the clerk was asked to source a new one. Cllr Randall is meeting with Mr Portlock on Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> July; they will try and prioritise the list of repairs required. The pavement by Cider Orchard needs top dressing as it is a hazard, Cllr Randall to mention this to Mr Potlock.	Clerk  Clerk  Cllr Randall
	It has been noticed that due to the work taking place at The Grave, Knapp Lane, the scaffolding encroaching onto the highway makes it difficult to pass. Cllr Randall to speak to Mr & Mrs Jones	Cllr Randall
242/07	<u>Matters for Forward Consideration</u> No Smoking Policy Code of Conduct Storm Drain Update Cemeteries and Burial Update Cllr Bird's job allocation	
243/07	<u>Items for press release &amp; publicity on the website</u> Minutes	

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Date of the Next Meeting  
Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2007 at 7.30pm

Meeting Closed at 9.28pm