

DEERHURST PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Monday, 22 July 2013 in Apperley Village Hall.

PRESENT:

Councillors - P Andrews
L Attard – Chairman
E Checkley
W Morris
J Natrass
J Pollard
Mrs F Wallbank – Clerk

Parishioners: 2 (partial attendance)

1 APOLOGIES: Councillors Smith, County Councillor Awford, Borough Councillor Waters, Janet Dance and Jane Griffiths.

2 MINUTES OF MEETING:

The minutes of the meeting held on the Tuesday, 28 May 2013, having been circulated with the agenda were agreed and signed.

3 DECLARATION OF INTEREST: None

4 COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT: Not present

5 BOROUGH COUNCILLORS REPORT: Not present

6 PLANNING:

6.1 Applications:

13/00646/FUL Land South of Green Farm, Apperley: Erection of 1 no dwelling with associated garage, vehicle access and parking.

Comments to Tewkesbury Borough Council:

The Parish Council **object** to this application as the site is located in open countryside outside the village boundary.

7.2 TBC Decisions:

13/00350/FUL 27 Lower Apperley: Proposed new dormer to front elevation, pitched roof to existing dormer and new porch to front elevation – Application withdrawn.

13/00602/FUL Little Orchard, Walton Hill, Deerhurst: Proposed re-building of garage with first floor extension over (to provide additional refuge accommodation) (Renewal of 10/00514/FUL) - **Granted**

7.3 Appeals/Appeal Decisions: None to date

8 FINANCIAL MATTERS:

8.1 Accounts for payment and receipts:

Mrs F J Wallbank –

Salary for 1-31 July 2013	295.86		
Less Tax	<u>59.00</u>	236.86	Cheque No: 000688

Inland Revenue – Tax for FJW	59.00		Cheque No: 000689
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Apperley Village Hall – cost of meeting Held on 24.6.13	15.00		Cheque No: 000690
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Countrywide:			
Carrying out 3 rd cut 5.6.13	84.00		
	<u>VAT 22.80</u>	106.80	Cheque No: 000685
BK Development producing land registration Plans		36.00	Cheque No: 000686
John Preece: Cut roadside grass verges	345.00		
	<u>VAT 69.00</u>	414.00	Cheque No: 000687
Total Payments		£867.66	

Receipts

TBC 47% share for final invoice In connection with the tennis court Resurfacing	705.00
Total Receipts	£705.00

8.2 Financial Statement: Noted and signed by the Chairman.

9 MATTERS ARISING

9.1 Proposed BMX Cycle Track at Apperley Village Hall: Councillor Morris reported:

- Had spoken with John Hicks who had given some advice and would be happy to carry out the ROSPA inspection once the track was completed at a cost of £250
- Had moved a quantity of soil to the proposed site.
- Regarding creating the track Scott Gibson had spoken to a contractor who has a mini-digger and has offered to create the track at a low cost.
- Spoken with Marcus Smith who has previous experience of creating such tracks and will do a very good job for around £300-400.
- Churchdown Town Council did not apply for planning permission and their track is much larger than the proposed Apperley track. Borough Councillor Waters had spoken with TBC planning and Councillor Morris had sent photos etc and TBC confirmed that planning permission would not be required.
- A responsible person would have to check the track once a week. It was agreed that the Councillors would do this on a rota basis and complete a short form which should be kept by the Clerk ie check for glass, tin, metal rubbish.
- He would take Scott Gibson over to Bishops Cleeve and Churchdown tracks and look at their rules and regulations prior to finalising the draft that the Clerk had circulated prior to the meeting.
- Need to secure match funding towards some of the costs – would speak with Borough Councillor Waters.
- The tump would be removed and transferred to the new track site and buried at the foot of the 7' jump to be created.

The Clerk reported that known costings to date were £212 for insurance, £250 for Rospa inspection, £70-80 for litterbin, £400-500 for earth works. The Parish Council approved expenditure of £1000 subject to matched funding from TBC. Councillors also agreed that Scott and his fellow friends needed to be encouraged to fund raise to contribute towards these costs. Councillor Morris said he would speak with him.

9.2 Apperley Village Hall, Playing Field/ Play Area/Football Club:

Apperley Village Hall: Clerk had spoken with Pete Woodthorpe who had taken an enquiry for April of 2014 from a cycling club to use the carpark to park caravans/campavans and said that the Parish Council should receive the money for the use of the carpark. Councillors said that this should be the case but ascertain if the Village Hall are charging the cycling club to use the facilities etc.

Play Area: Nothing to report

Football Club: The Chairman reported that football starts on Saturday, 27 July and will only be played on a Saturday not Sundays as previously. Will be now called Apperley Football Club.

9.3 Highways:

Pothole – Sawpit Lane: Been repaired.

Resurfacing of Road from Odessa Junction to Deerhurst Junction (Southbound only): These works will take place from the 6-10 August from 9.30am-3.30pm and there will be a convey system in place. Letters have been sent to residents in the vicinity. It was agreed that this should be put on the Apperley Community Website and the Facebook site.

Resurfacing of A417: The Clerk advised that the A417 would be closed at various times whilst resurfacing works took place and will cause major disruption. Works commence on 5 August and will last until 10 August.

9.4 Deerhurst Walton Flood Alleviation Scheme: The Clerk reported in Councillor Smith absence that following his meeting last month with the EA and TBC his main actions points were to discharge the planning conditions and obtain a more detailed cost estimate to then establish where the funding will come from ie how much each member of the community benefiting can contribute. The EA and TBC were fairly pessimistic about further funding and the additional £40k should be in place as long as progress was shown towards using it. Councillor Smith has also spoken with County Councillor Awford about possible funding from GCC.

9.5 Public Rights of Way: Councillor Pollard reported:

- Spoken with Ian Soule who had several outstanding matters still in the Parish.
- Had received a complaint about a blocked stile but this had been rectified.
- Was beginning to count the footpath signs that require attention.

9.6 Playing Fields – Renewal of Lease: The Clerk said she sent quite a strong email to Andrew Leeke but had heard nothing. Councillor Morris said he would try and get Mr Leeke to further this matter. He also reported that he had received a copy of the land registry documents from Mr Upton for the records and had informed Mr Leeke accordingly who said he did not need them.

9.7 Payphones: Apperley: This has now been painted and looks much better

Post Box: Clerk reported that she was still trying to contact the correct person in Royal Mail. Councillor Pollard said he had spoken with the post lady who did not know but said she would make some enquiries.

Deerhurst: Confirmation had been received that TBC are quite happy for the Parish Council to adopt this kiosk and a contract had been received from British Telecom. The Chairman had a quick look through the contract but it was agreed that Councillor Checkley should look at it more detail and if quite happy Councillors were in agreement that the Clerk could sign, date and return to British Telecom.

9.8 Police: Nothing to report.

11 CORRESPONDENCE:

Email from John Dixon re seat by pond: The Clerk reported that she had spoken with Pete Woodthorpe who was happy to re-varnish the seat with the Parish Council paying for the materials if required.

12 MATTERS RAISED FOR NOTIFICATION:

June Edition of The Severn-Sider: A discussion took place whether the Parish Council wanted to continue to sponsor the June edition of The Severn-Sider – this edition is sent to every household in Apperley and Deerhurst and the Parish Council pay £300 to cover these costs along with a contribution towards the grass cutting at Apperley Church. It was felt that the Parish Council would stop sponsoring the June edition but continue to make a contribution towards the grass cutting. It was agreed to place this matter on the agenda for the September meeting.

13 DATE FOR NEXT MEETING: Monday, 23 September 2013 at 7.15pm

The meeting closed 8.45pm.