

## *HYDE LEA PARISH COUNCIL*

**Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2010 at Hyde Lea & Coppenhall village hall.**

**Those present;**

**Parish councillors;    Mr J Eaves [chair]    Mr W Mason [Deputy-chair]    Mr R Edwards**  
**Mr C Bayford                    Mr R Pitt**

**Mr D Jones [clerk] and one member of the public-**

**1/ The Chairman welcomed** those present and the meeting commenced at 19.30hrs.

**2/ Apologies;** had been received from Borough Councillor R Sutherland and County /Borough Council M Winnington.

**3/ Matters raised by the general public;**

The member of the public present did not raise any issues.

**4/ Confirm minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> May 2010;**

The minutes, having been previously circulated, were agreed and signed as a true record.

**5/ Report on matters arising from the meeting not covered elsewhere on the agenda;**

- Burton Bank Lane; the problem with the bikers appears to be waning. No word yet of any start date of the proposed work on "Rainbow Bridge" but clerk will follow up. The idea of a lockable gate at the entrance to Burton Bank lane could face a number of problems.
- Neighbourhood watch; a letter has been delivered to every household in Hyde Lea and Ash Flats outlining current crime trends and pointing out precautions that householders should take.
- Trees on Hyde Lea bank; The County Council confirmed that the trees on the bank that were not cut are within or form part of the boundaries to adjacent land. It is therefore the responsibility of the land owners to ensure the trees are safe and do not impact on the public highway.

**6/ Financial matters;**

**a. Payment of the following invoices was agreed;**

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| • Clerk's salary & expenses--         | £371.41                                  |
| • Samaritans-                         | £350.00[grant]                           |
| • Air Ambulance                       | £350.00[grant]                           |
| • Greenbarnes Ltd                     | £1273.17[notice board]                   |
| • Stafford Borough Council            | £146.01[waste collection]                |
| • Community Council of Staffordshire- | £3.68[photocopying]                      |
| • Instaprint-                         | £56.33[Neighbourhood Watch signs]        |
| • R Pitt                              | £42.00[flowers for village hall planter] |

**b. Approval of Annual return for the District auditor.**

The form was explained to the meeting, copy had been circulated with the agenda. It was approved by the council.

## **7/ Planning matters;**

Application 10/13989/FUL [land to rear of Hill cottage] was considered by the meeting, it was decided to object.

Application 10/13902/FUL [Manor Nursing Home] was considered by the meeting, no comments were made.

## **8/Village hall matters;** Councillors Pitt & Edwards declared an interest in this item.

A grant request had been received towards the provision of a PA system. After a brief discussion it was agreed unanimously to donate £300.

## **9/ Correspondence;**

The following correspondence was reported to the council.

- SPCA June 2010 newsletter was issued to the councillors present
- A letter from the County council requesting assistance in a flooding survey was discussed. The only problem area in the village was underneath M6 bridge, but has been resolved.
- Advice had been received of the change to bus services in the Stafford area- this does not directly affect the village.
- Requests for donations from the SDVS and Stafford Stroke Club had been received. As our grants are decided in May they are to be advised accordingly.
- The chairman had received a letter outlining a planned Local Council day on 4<sup>th</sup> October 2010. This is being organised by the County Council and is designed to encourage a working relationship between Parish and County Council. It will also include a number of workshops on various topics including IT and planning issues. It was agreed to provisionally book 2 places.

## **10/ Roads, Highways& Footpaths;**

- Community gang; timetable of visits for 2010 attached
- Footpath map; new map had been obtained from the County Council and was distributed to the meeting. It was noted that some of the footpaths had been renumbered. Comments received about the work at the Drumbles were not well received. It was agreed that the clerk contact the Footpath officer, advise him of the council's concerns and offer to meet on site.
- A518 meeting; clerk reported the details of a meeting he had attended on Monday 12<sup>th</sup>. This was a Highways initiative aimed at cutting accidents, primarily motorcycle, on designated roads within the county. This route had been identified as at risk due to number of accidents. The policy was outlined. Clerk reported that he had expressed concerns about the mud generated by the strawberry farm on the approaches to Derrington and that any safety initiative should take this into account.
- CLARENCE 0800 23 23 23 is the number of the County Council for reporting highway problems, faults and defects.

## **11/Items for consideration at next meeting which will be held on 8<sup>th</sup> September 2010;**

M6 forum

Insurance.