

MINUTES OF THE 38th PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF
MAPPLEBOROUGH GREEN PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY, 1st FEBRUARY 2010
at 8.15pm at THE VILLAGE HALL

1. THE CHAIRMAN OPENED THE MEETING AT 8.15pm
2. PRESENT - Cllrs. M. Green, J. Fitzhenry, N. O'Neill Thomas, A. Crichton
3. APOLOGIES – Cllrs. G. Ward, L. Topham
4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – none
5. PUBLIC FORUM - none
6. THE MINUTES OF THE 37th PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF 7th December 2009 were accepted as a true record and signed.
7. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION – Matters arising from the last Parish Council Meeting:-
 - SPEED/SIGNAGE/DUAL FLASHING LIGHTS
The Clerk had been chasing for latest situation. Richard Elbourne, W.C.C. is off work so the speed review action is on hold. Action was not due to take place until later in the year after consultation with the Police. A delay had occurred in installing the dual flashing lights due to the bad weather. The Street Lighting team have been contacted by Rebecca Alcock, W.C.C.

The SpeedAware next visit on the Henley Road is 25th February. The schedule for the whole area is available on the W.C.C. website. The mobile camera vehicle is regularly on the A435 near Badgers and does seem to have effect.

 - PURCHASES
Cllr. Ward was due to present a leaflet to go around the Village. This was not available. A resident had spoken to the Clerk suggesting a notice be put on the reverse of the leaflet advertising the Annual Parish Meeting and advising that the Parish Council elections are due this year. It was agreed that this was a good idea. Clerk to contact Cllr. Ward.
 - COMPLAINTS PROCEDURE
The Clerk had emailed a draft to the Parish Council prior to this meeting. She had sent the original draft to Alison Hodge at WALC to check. Some changes were suggested and the new draft complied with these. This was accepted by all Parish Councillors present – Proposed by Cllr. Crichton, Seconded by Cllr. Fitzhenry.

Signed

- COMMUNITY FORUM/PARISH LIAISON MEETINGS

The Clerk had emailed the Parish Council regarding the new WALC Parish Liaison Meetings for Stratford West. A meeting to discuss this formation is taking place on Monday, 1st March at S.D.C. Councillors to advise the Clerk if they wish to attend.

The Community Forum dates for the year are set, the next meeting being 11th February. Agendas and Notes are available on W.C.C. website. A letter had been received from W.C.C. asking for help in encouraging public attendance at the Forums and included an offer to attend a Parish Council Meeting to talk on the subject. The Clerk suggested asking someone to attend the Annual Parish Meeting. This was agreed – Clerk to action.

- APPEAL FROM SCHOOL

Following agreement at the last Parish Council Meeting to make a donation, the Clerk had written to Martyn Hale (copy to Erica Hayton, Headmistress) for details of who to make the cheque payable. As yet there had been no reply. She had also investigated other funding available for which the School could directly apply. She had forwarded two contacts to Mr. Hale and Mrs. Hayton but no acknowledgement to date.

- A435 GULLIES

The Clerk had contacted Nick Wild at W.C.C. for an update on the blocked gullies on the A435. The bad weather had put everything back and they were dealing with emergency work. She had also brought up the problem again of the surface of the Dog Island which was worse than ever. Mr. Wild advised that John Brown, W.C.C. is aware of the problem and would be acting on it. The area at Washford would also be looked at. Parish Clerk to follow-up.

The Clerk had emailed the Parish Council details of a website link to check on Highway Maintenance.

The Clerk had written to D.J. Bennett confirming that the Parish Council wish him to continue with the grass cutting/maintenance for a further four years. He had telephoned his agreement and the prices remain the same with a possible review after twelve months.

- BUDGET SHEET

The Clerk distributed a breakdown list of the Budget for 2010/11 based on the current Budget/Precept and explained the allocation taking into account possible election costs and IT equipment replacement. This was agreed by all Parish Councillors present. The General Reserve remains at £11,500. The Precept request had been sent to S.D.C. and receipt acknowledged.

Signed

- ELECTIONS/MEETING DATES

A letter from the Monitoring Officer, S.D.C. advised that if the General Election takes place on 6th May then the Parish Council election would have to be after 27th May. This is a probability and, therefore, the dates of the meeting in May would be altered. The Clerk to keep the Councillors advised. The appropriate forms etc. have not yet been received.

The next Parish Council Meeting follows on from the Annual Parish Meeting. The Annual Meeting is due 17th May.

8. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Clerk distributed a list of Applications received and Notices on decisions since the last meeting. No Applications were due for consideration.

An email had been received from the Planning Department regarding the Parish Council query regarding a sign on a property in Pratts Lane – this was being investigated.

9. DISTRICT & COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS – none received

10. CORRESPONDENCE

- WALC had forwarded a nomination sheet for the Royal Garden Party. No action requested.
- Notice from S.D.C. had been received regarding a new website available for residents to view the services available – www.direct.gov.uk/oneplace
- An invitation had been received from Revd. Richard Diemel to attend the Licensing of Revd. Andy Shean at Studley Parish Church on 7th February.
- The Clerk had put a new link on the website – Archive photographs.

11. FOR CIRCULATION

The Clerk had obtained a current Parish Boundary map from S.D.C. An A2 size was available with her. The old map had been taken off the website and was due to be replaced with one compliant with Ordnance Survey.

The Clerk distributed photocopies from the Local Council magazine regarding 'Keeping the Code of Conduct'.

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12. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAID/FOR PAYMENT
The Clerk distributed an up-to-date Bank Statement Sheet showing £15,574.54. together with a list of payments made since the last Meeting and those for approval and signing.

The Bank balance would be £15,046.55 (including £11500.00 General Reserve).

One payment related to the Street Lighting Maintenance and a letter had been received from W.C.C. advising that there would no longer be nightly patrol checks. This will save W.C.C. an estimated £40,000 per annum.

13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING
The date of the next Parish Council Meeting was confirmed as Monday, 29th March, 2010 at The Village Hall. This meeting will be preceded at 8.15pm by the Annual Parish Meeting.

- The Chairman declared the Meeting closed at 9.00pm -

Signed

APPENDIX 1

PLANNING APPLICATIONS NOTICES RECEIVED/
NOTICE OF APPLICATION DECISIONS
SINCE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 7TH DECEMBER 2009

APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

No. 09/02404/FUL Mr. J. Hopkinson, Oak Tree Farm, Redditch Road, Ullenhall.
Dated 17.12.09. Proposed: Erection of agricultural storage building.
 Comment from Parish Council: No representations.

NOTICES OF DECISIONS

No. 09/02089/FUL Mr. & Mrs. R. Chadwick, Four Winds, Birmingham Road,
Date of Decision Mappleborough Green
7th December 2009 **GRANTED**

No. 09/02116/FUL Mr. A.D. Hinde, Wilcott, Birmingham Road, Mappleborough Green
Date of Decision **GRANTED**
11th December 2009

No. 09/01657/FUL Mr. K. Osaki, Hillcrest, Birmingham Road, Mappleborough Green
Date of Decision **REFUSED**
15th December 2009

No. 09/02380/FUL Mr. S. Coley, Hill Crest Farm, Pratts Lane, Mappleborough Green
Date of Decision **GRANTED**
19th January 2010

No. 09/01025/FUL Mrs. Alison Foxon, Gorcott Hall, Gorcott Hill, Beoley.
Date of Decision **REFUSED**
21st January 2010

No. 09/02181/FUL Dr. and Mrs. Crisp, Outhill Cottage, Henley Road, Outhill.
Date of Decision **GRANTED**
22nd January 2010

Signed

APPENDIX 2

PAYMENTS MADE SINCE LAST PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 7th DECEMBER 2009

Cheque No.	Description	Amount	Date Paid
100336	Parish Clerk – Wages December + Broadband less PAYE	£309.45	5.1.10.
100337	Post Office – PAYE Oct./Nov./Dec.	£263.24	5.1.10.

CHEQUES FOR APPROVAL AND SIGNING

100338	Staples (Ink cartridge, Box Files), Stamps	£46.49	
100339	Warwickshire County Council – Annual Street Lighting Maintenance	£75.12	
100340	Parish Clerk – Wages January + Broadband less PAYE	£349.89	
100341	Staples – Norton Protection	£23.49	
100342	2geedesign – Website updates Dec.09/Jan.10	£33.00	

Signed