

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF ROMSLEY PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
MONDAY 12TH APRIL 2010 AT 7.30PM**

PRESENT: Cllr. I A Hodgetts (Chairman), Cllr. J Price, Cllr. K Brough, Cllr D Hancox and Cllr Mrs Tandy and Cllr Mrs Cooper.

1. APOLOGIES

- 1.1 Apologies were received from Cllr. Richards and County Cllr Moore and these were accepted by all Councillors present.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

- 2.1 None

At this point, the Chairman adjourned the meeting to allow public participation.

3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

- 3.1 It was proposed by Cllr Hancox, seconded by Cllr Price and unanimously **RESOLVED** that the minutes be signed as a correct record.
- 3.2 **Matters Arising - None**

4. FINANCE

- 4.1 It was Proposed by the Councillor Price, Seconded by Councillor Richards and unanimously **RESOLVED** to pay the donation of £75.00 to Bromsgrove Citizens Advice Bureau in accordance with its powers under Section 142 of the LGA 1972, should incur the following expenditure, which, in the opinion of the Council is in the interests of the area or its inhabitants and will benefit them in a manner commensurate with the expenditure. It was agree to incur this expenditure in April.

4.2 Accounts for Payment

T Hall	Mileage	£60.10
Worcs CALC	Hire of School Hall	£84.76
E Sheppard	Environmental Control	£344.43
E Sheppard	Lengthsman	£438.29
N Power	Feeder Pillar	£20.05
Worcs CALC	Subscriptions	£631.81
R Mullett	Mileage	£33.15
S Tromans	Maintenance	£1415.00
B'grove Rural Rides	Donation	£100.00

- 4.3 To confirm receipt of £10,000 half-yearly precept from Bromsgrove District Council.

- 4.4 **To Approve Quarterly Bank Reconciliation and Bank Statements** – bank statements scrutinised and agreed by all Councillors
- 4.5 **To Approve Council's Financial Statement as at 31st March 2010** – it was proposed by Cllr Mrs Tandy, Seconded by Cllr Price and unanimously RESOLVED to approve the Financial Statement as a correct record.

5. **PLANNING MATTERS**

5.1 **District Council Decisions**

10/0085 7 The Alders, Romsley Permit
Two storey rear extension and
Conservatory

Planning Applications for Parish Council Comments

10/0230 23 Bromsgrove Road Objections
2 storey, additional bedroom,
Kitchen/WC and utility

10/0261 West Midlands Service Centre No objections
Installation of 1 VHF-4 stack antenna

Enforcement Issues

36 St Kenelms Road, Romsley – erection of garden outbuilding
Dayhouse Farm, Old House Lane – Creation of Farm Shop

6. **PLAYING FIELD/RECREATION AREA**

- 6.1 It was confirmed that an order had been placed with Wicksteed Playscapes for a Quad Rider which will be installed in memory of the late Councillor Margaret Bayfield. It was also agreed to have a memorial plaque made to put on the railings marking this event and the wording for the plaque was agreed by all Councillors present.

7. **WINWOOD HEATH ALLOTMENTS**

- 7.1 It was agreed to allocate Plot No. 21 to Paul Cooper and Ann Yorke.
- 7.2 Clerk is still awaiting some allotment rent and will send out reminder letters.

8. **ROADS/FOOTPATHS**

- 8.1 Following the resurfacing of St Kenelms Road Chairman confirmed that tarmac has been dropped into the drain. County Councillor Moore to investigate.

9. **PARISH LENGTHSMAN/MAINTENANCE**

- 9.1 Funding from Worcester County Council for 2010/11 is £2,063.00.

10. **OUTSIDE MEETINGS**

- 10.1 Chairman gave an update on 3rd Parish Conference held on 30th March 2010 at Worcester County Council.

11. **ROMSLEY PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE**
 11.1 None
12. **DISTRICT COUNCILLOR**
 12.1 Confirmed that paying Council Tax over a ten month period is a statutory condition to settle accounts before the audit is done. Chairman asked if he could please pass on to Bromsgrove District Council that we were not happy with the service offered when trying to obtain a disabled badge. Also confirmed that the Dolphin Centre is now being run by Wychavon District Council.
13. **COUNTY COUNCILLOR**
 13.1 None
14. **TO RECEIVE CLERK'S PROGRESS REPORT**
 14.1 To agree Clerk's attendance at NALC Networking Event to be held on 10th December 2010 at a cost of £39.13 of which half can be claimed back on Clerk's Training Bursary.
 14.2 Clerk had received a request from a resident to place a memorial plaque on bench sited in St Kenelm's Road at the junction of Dark Lane and this request was agreed by all Councillors present.
13. **TO RECEIVE REPORT OF PARISH COUNCILLORS**
JT – had received complaints about the playing field grass being very wet and boggy. There are also a number of older youths hanging around the play area drinking alcohol.
 - Residents have stated that the daffodils on The Common look lovely.
 - Complaints from residents about the number of cars parking on the grass verges around the village.
AC – the trees planted at the playing field by the Rainbows seem to be doing well. Would it be possible to have a plaque there? Rainbows to contact Clerk with details and she will obtain a quote.
JP – confirmed that once all the building work had finished at his home he would rectify all the damage to the grass verges.
14. **CORRESPONDENCE**
 Partnership Matters
15. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING** – Monday 10th May 2010, at 7.30pm.