

HYDE LEA PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 13th May 2015 at Hyde Lea & Coppenhall village hall.

Those present;

Parish councillors; Mr J Eaves [chair] -Miss J Wilkes-Mr R Pitt-Mr W Mason-Mr R Edwards.

Borough Councillors; Mr R Sutherland-Mr S Leighton

County Councillor; Mr M Winnington.

Mr D Jones [clerk to the council]; 5 members of the public.

The meeting started at 1955 following on from the Annual Parish Assembly.

01: Apologies; none received

02: Election of Deputy Chairman;

Councillor W Mason was elected unanimously to serve as Deputy-chairman.

03: Council representatives;

It was agreed that Councillors Eaves & Wilkes would represent the council on the village hall committee.

04: Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 11th March 2015;

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

05: Report on matters arising from the meeting not covered elsewhere on the agenda;

Wind turbine at Billington farm; was discussed at the last meeting and also with the ward councillors for Derrington. No objections raised as these are part of the government's green energy initiative. However it was suggested that strict conditions be applied regarding construction and in keeping the adjacent roads clear of mud and other debris.

Bradley Lane mud problems; Councillor Mason had visited the site and reported that most of the problem seemed to be from building and garden work.

Stroke club; clerk reported that he had received a thank you from the Stroke Club for their £500 grant.

Footpath No10; it is understood that the Rights of Way team have resolved the problem directly with the farmer.

06: Financial matters;

A/ payment of the following invoices was agreed;-

<i>Clerk's expenses</i>	<i>£51.59</i>
<i>Community Council</i>	<i>£26,50annual membership & photocopying]</i>
<i>Mrs C Heelis</i>	<i>£40.00[audit fees]</i>
<i>Autela Payroll Services</i>	<i>£69.00[payroll services]</i>
<i>SPCA</i>	<i>£149.00 [annual membership]</i>

B/Annual accounts; had been circulated prior to the meeting. The council accepted them unanimously.

C/Annual Governance Statement; Clerk explained the document to the meeting and the council's responsibility. The councillors agreed the statement and it was duly signed.

07: Planning matters;

Application 15/22147/FUL for the Manor House Nursing home was discussed and no objections raised. However the previous application for the construction of further units was revisited and concerns expressed. At this stage the application was for outline permission only so when the full application is received it will be considered in more depth.

08: Correspondence;

A list of all recent correspondence is as follows, if any one wants any more information to contact the clerk
SPCA; spring gazette.

Came & Co [local council insurance]; spring newsletter

Staffordshire County Council; advice that a review of the mobile library service is underway.

Stafford Borough council; invitation to a gala performance of Much Ado About Nothing at £ 23.50 per ticket.

09: Roads, Highways& Footpaths;

M6; clerk advised he had been approached by a company acting on behalf of the Highways Agency attempting to contact all landowners between Junction 13 and Junction 15 of the M 6. The proposal is to complete a managed motorway in this section utilising the hard shoulder.

Hyde Lea bank; trees are still causing concern. Councillor Winnington offered to arrange a site meeting between Highways, Borough & Parish Councillors plus other interested parties to discuss the situation.

Verges on bank are in need of cutting.

Ridgeway Close; Councillor Edwards has reported road repairs that are needed.

Orchard Lane; a resident addressed the meeting to complain about a plague of rats in the area. She has been in touch with Councillor Sutherland and the Environmental Health Officer of the Borough Council. This generated a lively discussion about the cause of the problem and the solution. It was agreed that the clerk would contact Environmental Health and obtain some form of communication highlighting the cause and effect of vermin and put it in Contact as part of the parish council report.

The next meeting is on Wednesday 8th July 2015 at Hyde Lea & Coppenhall VH.

Meeting ended at 20.55 hrs.