

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 18TH MAY 1999 IN THE
VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30PM

PRESENT: Cllrs. Carden, Schofield P, Lyon and Hall. Mr R. Schofield, Mrs P. Potter, Mr G. Fleet, Mrs E. Shore, Mr A. Hollway and Mr C. Evans. District Cllr. Johnson and CCC Councillor, D Rowlands.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE - All were present

Proposed Cllr. Hall, seconded Cllr. P. Schofield that "the Vice-Chairman Cllr. S. Carden take the chair." Voting 4 For, 6 abstained.

The Vice Chairman thanked Cllr. Grundy for all his work during his term of office.

1 DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE - All Acceptance forms were duly signed.

2 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN FOR 1999/2000

Cllr. Hall was proposed by Cllr. P. Schofield, seconded Cllr. Lyon and carried unanimously. Cllr. Hall then took the chair and thanked members for his election.

3 ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN

Cllr. Carden was proposed by Cllr. Lyon, seconded Cllr. Hollway and carried unanimously.

4 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 6/4/99

Proposed Cllr. Lyon, seconded Cllr. P. Schofield that "Minutes of the meeting held on 6/4/99 be signed as a true and correct record." Voting 4 For 6 abstained.

5 ELECTION OF COMMITTEE

a) Planning Committee - Proposed Cllr. P. Schofield, seconded Cllr. Carden that "Committee to consist of the Chairman + Cllr. Lyon and Hollway." All present in favour.

6 SCHOOL GOVERNOR

Proposed Cllr. Lyon, seconded Cllr P. Schofield that "Cllr. Shore be nominated as School Governor for the Village School." All present in favour.

7 ARISING FROM MINUTES

Bus Shelter, Low Hill - Repairs have now been carried out.

8 CORRESPONDENCE

a) CCC Highway issues

- Hole on A56 has been made safe
- Puddle outside Post Office will be patched
- Pavement extension, Hapsford - in rolling programme for 1999/2000
- Hedge A56 Woodhouse Farm, now cut
- Tree, Dunham House - Owner has promised to arrange for its removal

b) Casual Vacancy - Letter from Dunham Residents' Association was read and noted.

c) Clerk gratuity - District Auditor had forwarded the Local Government (Discretionary Payments) Regulations 1996 which is now in force.

d) Donation, Kosovo Refugees - Clerk had been advised by the District Audit not to forward a donation. Letter from Dunham Residents' Association was read and noted.

e) Powergen, Ince Power Station. Meeting will be held on 25/5/99 at 18.00 at the Power Station. Cllrs. Evans, Hollway and Chairman to attend.

f) Dunham Hill Service Station - Copy of a letter from CCC to Mr B Wilton-King had been received, read and noted.

g) Association of Parish Councils - AGM will be held on 18/9/99 at Wincham.

h) Audit - This will take place on 2/8/99 at Whealston Road, Upton.

i) Helsby Arms - Notification of change of licensee received.

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- j) Village Green - Letter received from local resident concerning the playing of ball games.
Members to check the area and Clerk to put on next agenda.

9 ACCOUNTS

Income & Expenditure Account year ended 31/3/99 had been received by Council. Proposed Cllr. Lyon, seconded Cllr. P. Schofield that "they be accepted." Voting 4 for 6 abstained.

Proposed Cllr. Carden, seconded Cllr. Lyon that "Cheques, stubs and invoices be signed for April accounts." All present in favour.

Ass. Parish Councils (Subs)	£ 74.25	
Cornhill Insurance	£132.13	
B L Watson 64 hrs at £4.12	£263.68	<u>TOTAL £470.06</u>

10 PLANS & PLANNING DECISIONS

98/1478 Modifications to roof and exterior, Rose Cottage, The Village - approved.

98/1449 Construction of Phosphate plant A5117 Jct. 14 M56 - approved

98/1280 Residential development 3 dwellings, Holly Bank Farm - Cllr. Lyon declared an interest and left the meeting. Local resident asked that the houses be staggered and not in a straight line.

98/1280 Residential Development 3 dwellings, Holly Bank Farm (amended) - no objection.

Mr. Lyon returned to the meeting.

99/437 Detached house and Garage, Holly Bank Farm - no objection.

99/436 Change of Use, dwelling and studio, The Chapel, Chester Road - Concern was raised about the use of a septic tank when local residents are on main sewage, and access to the property.

Deposit draft, Chester District Local Plan (Proposed Changes) has been received. Clerk to forward to all councillors any views to be notified to the City Council by 18/6/99.

11 VILLAGE MATTERS

- a) Elections - Clerk to write to the City Council requesting the use of the Village Hall and not the school at future elections.
- b) Grass verges, Hapsford - Due to height of weeds, children using the footpath cannot be seen. The grass in is urgent need of cutting.
- c) Lengthsman - Clerk to have discussions regarding areas in Hapsford and ask if he would brush the footpath from Talbot Road to the Wheatsheaf.
- d) Metal railings - Media state that they are to be preserved. Clerk to request the two sets of railings on either side of Hapsford Lane be cleaned and painted.
- e) Footpath, Hapsford to Helsby Arms - In urgent need of re-instatement.
- f) Election results - Clerk to request the Chronicle to publish the Parish Council's election results. Copy to Association of Parish Councils.
- g) Newsletter - Item to be put on the agenda for next meeting.
- h) Talbot Road verges - Residents ask that due to the state of the verges, could they be removed and the area filled with tarmac.

12 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 8th June 1999 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

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