

Number 551

MINUTES OF THE PICKMERE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 2nd FEBRUARY 2010 AT TURTON PAVILLION

PRESENT:

J Webb, V Brown, P Gough, D Harris, R Pepall, A Shore,
R Fogerty (Clerk) N White (Auditor) PCSO Andy Dolan and PCSO Clare Shepherd

APOLOGIES: S Wilkinson, P Mather

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Neighbourhoods Policing Supt. Andrew Marsden
(for Cheshire East)

MEMBERS OF PUBLIC- 4 people

1. MINUTES

Correction to **3. Finance** : Should read 'seconded by DH'.
Minutes of the last meeting accepted and signed

2. MATTERS ARISING:

PG has removed the old notice board from his land at the old Post Office, this will probably be refurbished and re-sited, near Clover Drive.

RF reported on the keys not fitting very well on the new notice board, and the company had been out, with her present, and adjusted the locking system.

3. FINANCE

Account	Cheque Number	Signed by 2	To whom/for	Date	Amount £
General	101437	JW.SW	Philip Clarke (Gardener)	14.12.09	125.00
"	101438	JW.SW	C K Bell Radiator	14.12.09	240.00
"	101439	JW. SW	R Fogerty expenses	4.01.10	112.66
"	101440	Cancelled	due to error		
"	101441	JW.SW	R Fogerty	4.01.10	256.60
"	101442	JW.RF	UES (Toby Hart)	14.01.10	478.40
"	101443	JW.RF	Munters (excess Ins. For drying VH	15.01.10	125.00
"	101444	JW VB	Cheshire Com Action	02.02.10	35.00
"	101445	JW VB	R. Fogerty	02.02.10	229.00
"	101446	JW VB	R Fogerty	02.02.10	69.64

Nicky White reported on the accounts for the past month. There is a balance of £6,275 in the Lakeside Account and £1,906 in the General Accounts (£1500 of this was transferred from Deposit to Current recently). Nicky stated this should be reasonable to

see us through until we get the first half of the precept in April. Hopefully, we will recover all expenses involved in the repair of the Village Hall, following the burst in the cold spell. The excess of £125 has been paid already.

By March it will be time to prepare audit for this year. RF is in the process of finalising the direct debit for the water (United Utilities) at the VH and the Pavilion, - we are awaiting receiving a 'one off' account for water lost during the burst. Readings are in hand for claiming water, electricity and gas encountered in the damage.

JW had already signed the forms. VB signed the Deposit Account Mandate Forms in the meeting. The Mandate is now almost set up to include the Clerk on all accounts to enable her to obtain information; the councillors only will continue to sign the cheques.

4. OPEN FORUM

Members of the public, addressing their statements and questions to Supt Marsden, said that it had been a bad summer last year, in the lake area, due to ASB, drugs, and damage to benches by fire, and asked what steps the police were planning to take to keep this area under control this summer. Supt Marsden replied by saying that the police are well aware of this, but as the IROS area is such a lovely area, it will attract youngsters. He stressed that everyone must be responsible for telephoning when anything is going on, and use 999 if the crime is in progress 'now' or if not exactly urgent to ring 0845 458 0000, (general number for non-emergency). The calls are logged and the more calls received on incidences, the more it is given priority. He could not assure us that the area would be visited at a regular time at weekends, but visits by police would be made. The PCSO will visit regularly when in our village. PCSO Clare Shepherd has now been trained and will shortly take over from PCSO Dolan, for our village. PCSO can be contacted by leaving a message on 0845 458 6380. More resources can be put in action, if necessary. Supt. Marsden gave detailed information on the policing services to reassure council and public. If we do not have a PCSO the local PC would not be able to give us the same time. Member of the public feels he does not see the police in and around the village. He feels that now we have our own PCSO we have lost some 'policing'.

5. PARISH PLAN UPDATE

RP reported that the Parish Plan is 98% ready now. It will be launched on Saturday April 17th, with a Celebration Event, in the Village Hall (if back in action!) and if not, in the Church Hall. Each household will receive information on this event, and it will be attended by Bron Kerrigan (Parish Plan Coordinator) and our MP George Osborne has been invited.

6. PCSO

PCSO Andy Dolan introduced PCSO Clare Shepherd, who has now been trained and will shortly take over from him, as the dedicated PCSO for our village. He reported that no ASB had taken place during December/January. The Elms Public House had been burgled at New Year and this is being followed up forensically at present. Speedwatch training has not yet taken place, due to insufficient volunteers. Clerk will put request for volunteers in Pickmere Press in March.

7. PLANNING

Application No: 09/3860M

Proposal: Change of use from part residential /part commercial to residential

Location: The Old Post Office

The owner of the above property, who was present at the Council Meeting, informed us that the change of use of this application has been granted but he has to reapply for the extension.

Application No: 09/4314M

Proposal: 2 storey side extension

Location: Mere View Cottage Park Lane Pickmere

This is a retrospective application as the extension is visibly near completion. Plans discussed by Councillors, insufficient information and why did it not require Planning Permission to start with.

Planning Application 09/3417M

Location: The Cottage Mereview Farm Park Lane

Proposal: Single Storey Side Extension

Application invalid.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

Letter and information sheets received from Chain (Incinerator Waste Disposal). Councillor George Walton declared interest, then discussed amongst Council generally. Objection letter to be put together by PG and sent round via email for comments, then Clerk will send off. During this last month a letter of objection had been sent from the Council re the SID (incinerator Wincham)

9. IROS (inc. dog training)

Use of lake for Dog Training (Newfoundland Dogs) discussed again; feeling generally that the riparian owner should respect our wishes. PG stated that the lake is long-term common water. VB said there is a need to enforce 10 mph on the lake as power boats need 22 mph. VB to bring all past documents to special meeting to be arranged before next monthly meeting. VB will let Cncll. George Walton have details of the agreement signed with Macclesfield.

10. VILLAGE HALL

It had been a very cold month and temperatures of even -17 degrees had been reported. Around the middle of January the Hall had become flooded from burst pipes above the ceiling (the width of the ceiling above the area as one walks into the hall). The ceiling had dropped down, and pipes had burst. Allianz Insurance are dealing with the claim and have instructed Munters, a restoration/drying/cleaning company to start the process, and they have installed 2 dehumidifiers and 2 fans. The Inspector today reported to the clerk that an asbestos check is necessary and that the ceiling should be replaced as it is still very wet in roof space. He will report to Insurance Company. Chairs to be cleaned, and curtains will be taken away for cleaning, and floor will need sanding and varnishing. Clerk also reports any information she receives to the Insurance Company to double check on information. Eastwoods Builders have quoted as had another company, and the former will do the repair to ceiling etc. The £125 excess has already been paid. Police Supt. Marsden left the Meeting at 9.15pm.

11. WEB-SITE

DH reported on updating the site from Cheshire to Cheshire East, including the links to other web-sites for information and assistance.

12. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

PG reported that events were happening on the Cheshire Show Ground, which he had not been informed of, and also there has been a notice on the village hall board for a temporary licence, for several days, with no information or dates. PG will do letter to the Cheshire Showground Committee and send copy to Clerk.

VB and AS reported on the latest information re. Spink Lane Development. They had both attended a Data Meeting and then VB had attended a further meeting last week. VB questioned how the count for gypsy settlements was arrived at. A letter of objection has been sent from the Council, having been put together by VB. (Councillors were emailed a copy and Clerk received a copy).

Andrew Shore stated that the PARG committee were not consulted on the new date for resuming the Inquiry and also why it is such a long way off. The secretary of the group has written to the Inspectorate re. this.

**NEXT MEETING SET FOR 2nd MARCH IN
THE PAVILLION**

AT 7.30PM