

Number 554

MINUTES OF THE PICKMERE PARISH COUNCIL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 4th MAY 2010 AT PICKMERE VILLAGE HALL

PRESENT:

J Webb, V Brown, P Gough, S Wilkinson, D Harris, A Shore,
P.Mather, R Fogerty (Clerk) N White (Auditor)

APOLOGIES: R Pepall, G Walton (Chesh. East councillor)

MEMBERS OF PUBLIC- Nil

1. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT FOR 2009-2010

Joan Webb, Chairperson, welcomed everyone to the AGM. She went on to thank all the Councillors, Rosemary Fogerty, clerk, and Nicky White, internal auditor, for their contributions to the Parish Council.

She announced that the Spink Lane Inquiry recommences tomorrow, 5th May, following cancellation in October 2009.

She welcomed PCSO Clare Shepherd and stated everyone was pleased with her performance in the village.

She went on to thank Richard Pepall for his commitment, leading to a successful launch of the Parish Plan in April 2010.

Christine Wilcox-Baker had resigned from the Council during the year. Before leaving she had put in a lot of hard work to secure funding towards our new Notice Board in the village, on Park Lane. It is hoped that the old board will be renovated and placed near Clover Drive. Andrew Shore was appointed as a new councillor.

2. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Chairperson and Vice Chairperson 'vacated their seats' and nominations were invited by the Clerk for Chairperson. DH nominated Joan Webb, and this was seconded by SW. JW then nominated VB as Vice Chairperson, and this was seconded by DH.

SW thanked Joan Webb for her services as Chairperson, during the last year.

Before the following Item, JW introduced Marylyn Kerby, Manager of Local Area Partnerships (LAP) who had come to this meeting to explain and inform Council of the purpose of LAPs. Cheshire East is divided into 7 areas and each one has a LAP; the latter bring together a wide range of people from the statutory, voluntary and community sectors and hopefully improve services, involve everyone in decision making and actively engage and empower communities. She explained in detail and discussion was opened up with opportunity for questions. Also, detailed information sheets were handed out to all councillors. Dates of meetings will be sent to us, and some of these will be open to the Public, next one being May 20th.

3. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

These were accepted and signed by JW.

4. MATTERS ARISING

Nil

5. FINANCE

Nicky White had had prepared the accounts for the year, and had sent a copy of these to all Councillors. These have now been finalised and the Audit Form was signed off by JW and RF and will now be sent to the Audit Commission. Nicky raised the subject of the Parish Council Assets; review these at a later date. RF to give her a copy of the Insurance List of Assets.

The first half of precept was received this month.

Clerk reported that only the outstanding expenses for water and electric were awaited from Loss Adjuster. When this amount is received she will arrange payment in lump sum to pay off excess and then this will keep monthly direct debit covering normal usage.

Await sending VAT invoice from Munters, until NW has claimed rebate.

The Post Box has been removed from its previous placement, without us being informed. PG had understood, now that he owns the old Post Office, that the post box would remain. RF to make contact re. this.

Account	Cheque Number	Signed by 2	To whom/for	Date	Amount £
General	101454	JW.VB	B Eastwood (Repair of Village Hall	19.4.10	4277.00
“	101455	JW.VB	Comm. Pride Comp.	19.4.10	28.00
“	101456	JW.SW	R Fogerty Expenses	4.5.10	10.00
“	101457	JW.SW	R Fogerty	4.5.10	240.00
“	101458	JW.SW	M Barlow (VH cleaner)	4.5.10	183.06
“	101459	JW.SW	AON Insurance	4.5.10	1589.70

6. OPEN FORUM

Nil

7. PCSO

Clare Shepherd had emailed her monthly report. She reported briefly on one incident, and a further two that involved items being stolen from cars in one area of village on same night. She will pass this on for information in ‘Pickmere Press’ and will make contact with DH to put it on the web-site.

8. PARISH PLAN

JW reported (RP absent) that there had been a very successful turn out for the launch on April 17th. Hopefully, residents will come forward to progress this now. RF to do letter on behalf of Council to thank Stephanie Ward, Chair of PPP, for her efforts.

Clerk to place 'Parish Plan Implementation' on next Agenda.

9. PLANNING

The following application was granted.

Application: 09/4301M

**Proposal: Single Storey side and rear extensions and alterations.
Lakeside, 9 Jacob's Way Pickmere WA16 0GZ**

Apparently revised plans had been received from the applicant. The council had not been informed of these. RF has already requested revised plans be sent to council, and these can be viewed at next meeting.

10. CORRESPONDENCE

Knutsford LAP (open to public) May 20th ---- PG will attend this.

Remainder of correspondence seen by Council. No action needed. There were few items, as mainly received by email now, and forwarded on to council by clerk.

Information received re. Community Pride Competition. VB has entered the Village for this.

11. IROS

VB reported that the balance is getting low in the Lakeside Account, and it may be necessary to use funds from the General Account.

12. VILLAGE HALL

RF to contact maintenance person for Village Hall. The Cleaner has completed cleaning jobs and small painting jobs following recent damage.

13. WEB SITE

DH will place "thanks" notice on Website for the Parish Plan Steering Group. Also will place information re. Community Pride Competition on it.

14. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

VB requested that the latest information on 'Spink Lane' be placed in 'Pickmere Press'.

The Clerk requested dates off for her summer break. In order that she can be present at the meetings, it was agreed to hold the June Meeting as usual, the July meeting on July 20th and then go forward to normal meeting in September.

**NEXT MEETING SET FOR TUESDAY 1ST JUNE IN THE VILLAGE
HALL**

AT 7.30PM

