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MINUTES OF THE PICKMERE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 7TH 2010 AT PICKMERE VILLAGE HALL

PRESENT:

J Webb, V Brown, P Gough, S Wilkinson, D Harris, R Pepall, A Shore, R Fogerty (Clerk) N White (Auditor) Cheshire East Cllr. George Walton, PCSO Claire Shepherd

APOLOGIES: P Mather

MEMBERS OF PUBLIC- 2

1. MINUTES

Correction: Add to 'Present': Cheshire East Cllr. George Walton. Minutes of the last meeting were then accepted and signed

2. MATTERS ARISING

At last month's meeting Mrs Nicky White (Internal Auditor) had informed the Council that she wished to resign. at the end of this Financial Year. Nicky also does the Financial Statements at the end of each month and normally attends each meeting. P Gough agreed to take over the Financial Statements at the end of each month and Nicky is prepared to do the Internal Audit at the end of each year. It is not permitted for a Councillor to do the audit.

The two Elderly Persons' signs are now in situ.

The new Post Box is in place in opposite Wellfield Close. Clerk to obtain information on when this is emptied, as no information on box itself.

3. FINANCE

Account	Cheque	Signed	To whom/for	Date	Amount
	Number	by 2			£
General	101471	JW.SW	UES (Env. Report)	30.7.10	1762.50
"	101472	JW.SW	Fire Protection (check)	30.7.10	69.56
"	101473		Error - cancelled		
"	101474	JW.VB	R Fogerty	7.9.10	480.00
"	101475	JW.SW	P Thomson(computer	7.9.10	50.00
			maintenance for clerk)		
"	101476	JW.SW	Cheshire Police	7.9.10	1933.33
			Authority (for PCSO)		
"	101477	JW.SW	Pickmere Lakeside AC	7.9.10	520.69
"	101478	JW.SW	R Fogerty expenses	7.9.10	20.44

The second half of the precept of £6,000 has been received but not yet showing in the Bank Statements.

The balance of the Lakeside Account shows £5,756.16. A further £520.69 is owed to this account being the VAT due to it. This will be paid in this month; error last month in it going back into the General Account. The General Account shows a balance of £2,2061, and to this will be added the precept. The PARG accounts have now all been paid, including UES for the Environmental Report. Second half of 'PCSO Account' due this month. Phil Gough will have instruction from Nicky White on doing the end of month statements, which he will take over in April 2011.

Cheques signed. The clerk reported that the AON Insurance had contacted her for confirmation that the repairs had been carried out to the Village Hall in such a way as to protect the Hall from freezing up as it had done last year. The builder gave the Clerk a report, and also advised that in very cold spells the heating should be left on 'low' all the time. Joan Webb will contact Mr Bell, Heating Engineer, re. Frost Thermostat.

4. OPEN FORUM

No questions or comments by public.

5. PARISH PLAN (IMPLEMENTATION)

Richard Pepall reported that the Committee had met last night. The Wine Club has already had two meeting. The Parish Plan will now be presented to the LAP Meeting on Sept.16th at Chelford.. A report on taking things forward will be in next month's Pickmere Press. It was generally agreed that the Implementation of the Plan should appear on the Council's Agenda every quarter, to assess needs.

6. PCSO

Claire Shepherd reported on incidents that had occurred recently in the village. There had been a few relating to theft from vehicles which had not been locked. A suspicious vehicle had been reported on Frog Lane, and registration obtained. Claire is in contact with the Wincham PCSO to connect up with related incidents. She had held a 'Teddy Bears' Picnic on Clover Drive to bring children together and get to know them. Council commented on what a lovely idea this was! The Police including Claire had attended 'Fun Day' at the IROS and this was thought to be a successful venture. Claire is looking into details for Dog Litter Bin. Speedwatch is progressing and one person is trained with a further two awaiting training. Police Surgeries are not well attended, so Claire is going to hold one per month, in the half hour before the meeting, in the Village Hall. Details to be given to Clerk and Chair.

7. PLANNING

No applications since last meeting in July.

Received report from Cheshire East on:

Certificate of Lawful use or Development at:

The Bungalow, Mereview Farm, Park Lane Pickmere WA 0lG.

Use of the above described as lawful.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

Many items have been 'forwarded-on emails' to Councillors. Several further items were read out/ passed around during meeting. Clerk will do replies as noted.

9. IROS (INC USE OF LAKE)

The Clerk had received communications via email, (re the use of motor boats on the lake) from Debbie Kirk, Snr. Investigation and Advisory Officer, Cheshire East, who is dealing with this. A CD of incidents on the Lake on Fun Day have been sent to Debbie, and she wishes to be informed of any sightings of incidents, with time and date. Clerk to enquire who is dealing with this subject, at Cheshire West. VB will do detailed draft letter to Debbie Kirk, and particularly for 10 mph limit. The letter will be emailed to Councillors for their approval first.

PG felt that the lake is contaminated and will report to Environmental Agency.

10. VILLAGE HALL (DISCUSS IDEAS FOR NEW VILLAGE HALL)

SW updated councillors who had not been present at last meeting, re new hall. The plans would involve change of use of present hall and new hall as extension to present Pavillion. Size to be similar to present village hall. Andrew Shore had looked into the possibilities and discussed with a colleague, and discussed approximate costs involved. SW suggested that if Council were in agreement then there was a need to deliver an information/questionnaire to all houses to inform them and get feed-back. SW proposed he draw up a draft, along with Andrew Shore, and JW seconded this. Review next meeting.

11. WEB SITE

DH reported on this being up to date, including the Police Report.

12. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Clerk had been asked by Brenda Wilkinson, Community Group, if the Council would agree to the tables in the Pavillion being changed for similar sized ones that will fold up, which the Community would provide. This would be more versatile for using the room. Council agreed to this.

NEXT MEETING SET FOR 5th OCTOBER

IN THE VILLAGE HALL

AT 7.30PM