

Whatton in the Vale Parish Council

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday May 17, 2010, at the Jubilee Hall, Whatton in the Vale at 7.00pm

Coun. Gregg Redford (Chairman)	
Couns. Ray Dawson	Ernest Parsons
Vikki Harper	Barbara Harris
Carole Key (A)	Malcolm Seagrave (A)

Also in attendance: The clerk Mike Elliott, Coun. Martin Suthers (Notts County Council) and Coun. Mrs Jackie Marshall (Rushcliffe Borough Council).

1. **Election of chairman** Coun. Gregg Redford was proposed, seconded and unanimously re-elected.
2. **Election of vice chairman** Coun. Mrs Barbara Harris was proposed, seconded and unanimously re-elected.
3. **Apologies** were received from Couns. Mrs Carole Key and Malcolm Seagrave.
4. **Declarations of Interest** There were none.
5. **Minutes of the meeting held on March 8, 2010**, were accepted as circulated and signed by the chairman.
6. **Open session for members of the public, limited to 15 minutes** No questions were raised.

7. **Planning Matters**

Planning Applications

10/00578/FUL Ms Carol Simey; Two storey extension with balcony; Vicarscroft Farm, Conery Lane. No objection

10/00666/COU Mr N Bajwa; Use of part of existing building for MOT testing station; Elton Road Farm, Grantham Road. No objection

Rushcliffe Borough Council Decisions

10/00168/FUL Mr and Mrs McCauley; Conservatory; 3 Azimghur Road. Grant Permission

10/00321/FUL Mr N Baxter; Construction of eight dwellings with garages and vehicular accesses; The White Villa, Dark Lane. Grant Permission

Notice of Proposed Works to Trees

10/00053/CONARE Mr Warman; Fell Leylandii, Crab Apple, Sycamore, prune 2 Silver Birch, 2 Cherries, Sycamore and Almond; Little Acre, Burton Lane, Whatton in the Vale Conservation Area. Rushcliffe Borough Council did not propose to make a Tree Preservation Order and work had been allowed to proceed.

8. **Clerk's report** There was nothing to report.
9. **Playing Field / Play equipment**
The chairman said the Playing Field Committee jointly administered by the parish councils at Whatton in the Vale and Aslockton was now a registered charity.

10. **Correspondence**

Miles King, Midlands Rural Housing, wrote in respect of the housing needs in Orston and Whatton in the Vale and asked for comment on a possible joint scheme for the two villages. Members discussed the survey that had been taken in the parish when it had been revealed there were two families seeking such accommodation as would be provided. The council agreed in principle to the idea of a joint scheme and would watch with interest in regards to where it could be sited.

Nottinghamshire County Council advised of its Local Improvement Scheme Initiative Launch on June 15 at The Cedric Ford Pavilion at Newark Show Ground, Winthorpe and Couns. Parsons and Mrs Harris said they would attend.

Nottinghamshire County Council provided information on its Community Emergency Plan and it was agreed the clerk provide photo copies of it for councillor to complete. Nottinghamshire County Council was carrying out a pre-order consultation regarding the County Definitive Map and was looking to a bridleway/upgrade for part of Granby Footpath 13 to a bridleway, between Granby Lane and Granby Bridleway 12.

Mr B Allen wrote to remind the council of his earlier correspondence in regard to possible provision of allotments. The clerk said Rushcliffe Borough Council had not given an opinion in regard to land on Azimghur Road.

Mrs Bridget Loudon wrote in respect of a problem of a horse in a field adjacent to the FP6 Whatton to Aslockton footpath. It was being claimed the horse often lunged across the fence as people walked along the path. The chairman pointed out the path was not in the parish and therefore it was agreed not to take any action.

Notts Branch of Campaign to Protect Rural England advised of its Best Kept Village Competition 2010 but it was agreed not to enter. The item was to be on the agenda in January next year.

Notts Branch of the Campaign to Protect Rural England gave notice of its Annual General Meeting to take place on May 27 at the County Cricket Club, Trent Bridge. Rushcliffe Borough Council said it had erected dog fouling warning signs around the village as requested by the parish council, but members questioned this and the clerk was to ask where they had been put up. Nottinghamshire County Council advised of its Civic Service on Sunday June 27 at Southwell Minster.

11. **Environment** No further matters were raised.

12. **Footpaths**

The chairman said that he and Coun. Seagrave expected to be able to present a report shortly on a paths survey they were intending to carry out in the next few weeks.

13. **Finance**

Members considered a grant application by St John of Beverley Parish Church and agreed to make a donation of £200 towards maintenance work in the churchyard.

Members agreed to payment of accounts as per the report presented to them by the clerk.

Total expenditure for meeting	£2,745.07	£153.13	£2,898.00
Total expenditure to date in the current financial year	£2,745.07	£153.13	£2,898.00

Members discussed the end of year accounts report for 2009/2010 prepared by the clerk and agreed that the chairman sign them as presented. The clerk said the internal auditor had already approved them.

14. **Date for next meeting** was confirmed for July 5, 2010.

15. **Agenda Items for Next meeting**

Members did not suggest further items for discussion at the next parish council meeting.

The meeting closed at 8.55pm.