

MEETING OF PATTINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

To be held at Pattingham Village Hall
Wednesday 24th January 2007 at 7:30pm

Minutes

PUBLIC FORUM

A Plaque was presented to Mr Graham Smith for services to the village hall committee

Present: Cllr H Stiles – Chairman Cllr J Burton
 Cllr J Tomlinson Cllr R Marshall – County Councillor
 Cllr K Whalley Cllr R Lyon
 Cllr A Baugh

Mrs B Hodgetts (Clerk), 1 member of the press

121/06

Apologies

Apologies received and accepted from Cllr L Robinson (vice-chairman), Cllr C Guy, Cllr D Poole, Cllr S Evans

122/06

Police

Police report read by the clerk. .

- 1. The figures for the past 6 week period are very pleasing. Especially on the Anti Social Behaviour front, where only one incident was reported, in a period which included the Xmas and New Years festivities.*
- 2. On another positive note, there have been no burglary dwellings, theft of or from motor vehicles reported. Mind you vigilance is important, as other South Staffs and West Mids areas are being targeted by burglars looking for new LCD Flat Screen Televisions. Recently a dark red old style Vauxhall has been responsible for such burglaries.*
- 3. A little belatedly, I wish to welcome PCSO Theresa Wilkes to the Neighbourhood Beat Team. Many may have seen Theresa with me of late. Theresa and I will be looking to minimize the local issue of dog fouling around the village, especially on the fields. PCSO powers are now in place to deal with persistent offenders.*

Any questions or info contact PC Duncan Lampitt on voicemail box no. 08453 303132 x04259, or PCSO Theresa Wilkes on x08861

Government funding has meant Pattingham will not have its own dedicated PCSO they will also cover Perton. It was felt that Pattingham could suffer.

123/06

Signing of minutes

Draft minutes of meeting held on 6th December 2006 and Precept meeting minutes held on 10th January 2007 agreed and signed as true and correct record.

124/06

Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest from the agenda were made.

125/06

Clerks report

Clerks report previously distributed. Clerk to chase up the Copley sign on the Patshull Road.

126/06 **Chairman's Correspondence**

No correspondence received

127/06 **Christmas Lighting**

- Councillor Marshall has donated £1500, but there is still a significant short fall.
Resolved Clerk to follow up Councillor Baldwin's very kind offer of a donation.
- Councillor Whalley to assess the cost of lights for the other side of the lych gate
- It was agreed to hold the lights switch on for 2007 on Friday 30th November in Pattingham and Monday 3rd December in Burnhill Green.

128/06 **Newsletter**

The Cowshed restaurant has agreed to sponsor the next issue. Councillor Evans to help Councillor Burton collate all the articles. More articles needed for Burnhill Green.

129/06 **Highways**

- Westbeech Road is still chaos. Clerk has received a letter from Sir Patrick Cormack with a copy of a response from the County Council. **Resolved** Councillor Marshall to request a site meeting with Mr W Mortiboys. The dates suggested were 5th or 9th February at 3.15pm Clerk to advise council when date is set.

Following a site visit with Mr David Wright the following measures have been agreed.

- Drains unblocked at the Burnhill Green crossroads
- Two horse warning signs to be installed near the crossroads at Burnhill Green
- The grips in Clive Road and Burnhill Green Road will be cleared
- The issue of speed on Burnhill Road is logistically impossible to police.
- It was agreed that the verge on Westbeech Road would be flattened
- Investigations into the overhanging hedge at Peel house to be completed
- County to write to house in Chesterton Road re: unsafe manhole cover
- The problems with lying water in High Street were not found
- It was suggested that warning poles could be installed before the bend on Westbeech Road near the school.

A thank you from Mr Wright to Mr Neil Burton for being the chauffeur for the visit

- The question of which roads were routinely gritted was raised. Some class 'C' roads appear to have been gritted and it was felt that we should therefore not have to pay for Westbeech Road.
Resolved Councillor Marshall to investigate.
- Clerk to contact Shropshire County Council regarding the pot hole in County Lane
- Councillor Tomlinson raised concerns with the parking at school times on Wolverhampton Road, cars have taken to double parking which could and has led to grid lock on at least one occasion.
Resolved to see if PCSO can solve the situation.

130/06 **Patshull Road**

Some Z bend signs to be installed on the Patshull Road

131/06 **Flower Baskets**

Resolved to put this to the new council in May

132/06 **Burnhill Green**

Proposed plans have been prepared for the layout of the playing fields, one further quote is awaited, a meeting can then be called for a decision. Applications for grants applied for.

- 133/06 **Codsall Community Arts Festival**
Resolved To sponsor the event, a decision on size of donation to be made at a later date.
- 134/06 **Residents Letter**
 A letter regarding dangerous horse riding in the village was read out by the clerk and also the response from the Police. Pc Lampitt has spoken with the complainant.
- 135/06 **New gate**
 Clerk and Councillor Lyon met with Mr Medlicott from the District council who in principle felt there would be no issues with installing a gate as long as it met with safety standards. Clerk to obtain in writing that the school is in favour of the project.
 The vote consisted of 5 for, 1 abstention and 1 no.
Resolved that the council is in favour of this proposal and move the project on to the next stage
- 136/06 **Environmental Action Group**
 Cllr Tomlinson reported that issues raised at the last meeting were not resolved.
 A presentation on PCSO powers was informative. It was felt that there was a lack of information.
- 137/06 **Choice Travel**
 The commercial bus journeys are currently operated by Choice who have chosen from the 28th January to pull out of the contract. The County Council is subsidising further journeys to ensure a service is in operation until they can appoint another operator.

137/06 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

	<u>Applications approved</u>
06/00405/COU	Tuters Hill Barn – Conversion of barn to dwelling
06/01009/FUL	20 Hall Close – Conversion of garage to utility,dining and kitchen extension to rear
06/01155/LBC	Shire Cottage – Installation of sun pipe in roof
06/01060/LBC	The Stables, Patshull Hall Mews – Remove metal windows and replace with hardwood timber windows

A letter from a parishioner concerning the West Midlands Regional Spatial Strategy was read out. Councillor Marshall and Councillor Burton gave assurances that the Parish Council will be kept informed.

	<u>Applications refused</u>
06/00948/COU	Westbeech Farmhouse – Conversion of unoccupied outbuilding into living accommodation
06/01235/FUL	Rear of 28 Letchmere Close – erection of 2 bedroom bungalow
06/00059/FUL	Nurton Hill Leys, Granny annexe appeal dismissed permission refused

	<u>Applications under appeal</u>
05/01214/FUL	53 High Street – Erection of gates

	<u>Applications for consideration</u>
07/00045/FUL	15 Damson Park – 2 storey side extension – No objections raised

138/06 **Finance**

(a) **Resolved cheques for payment**

Chq No.	Payee	Amount	Power
701251	A Horton	55.12	LGA 1972 s112
701252	R Hodgetts	139.11	LGA 1972 s112
701253	St. Chad's school (photocopying)	45.87	LGA 1972 s112
701254	Community Council - BKV	14.22	LGA 1972, s137
701255	Inland Revenue	39.23	LGA 1972 s112

139/06 **Councillor Reports**

County Councillor – R Marshall

Due to the amount of appeals it has been decided not to carry on with the pay review process at the present time.

District Councillor – J. Burton

Food recycling is to start in February in Cheslyn Hay for at least 12 months.

140/06 **Any Other Business**

- It was reported that water is lying on the Road at the new entrance to West End Farm on Rudge Road
- For information Severn Trent jackets have been stolen therefore allowing people to impersonate officials also people going round impersonating the police offering property marking are bogus.
- Satellite Navigation systems are being stolen from cars

141/06 **DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

28th February – Crown Room, Burnhill, Green - 7.30pm

Meeting closed at 9.20pm

Signed..... Dated

