

Meeting of Pattingham & Patshull Parish Council
Pattingham Village Hall on
Wednesday 15th July 2009 at 7.30pm

Draft Minutes

Present

Cllr K Whalley (Chairman)

Cllr S Ponder (Vice – Chairman)

Cllr J Morgans

Cllr J Burton

Cllr J Tomlinson

County Cllr D Billson

Also present : Mrs B Hodgetts – Parish Clerk

PC Hossack and PCSO Wilkes for part of the meeting

Cllr S Brinkman

Cllr D Baldwin

Cllr S Evans

Cllr Roberts

Public Forum:

No members of the public were present.

67/09 Apologies

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr A Baugh and Cllr D Morgans

Chairman welcomes Cllr David Billson to the meeting.

68/09 Police

Pattingham Reported Crime Figures 20/05/2009 – 15/07/2009

15.....Nuisance Rowdy Behaviour = ASB [Note 1]

1.....Assault [note 2]

0.....Criminal Damage

0.....Damage to M/V

1.....Theft of M/V [note 4]

0.....Theft from M/V

4.....Burglary Dwelling [note 3]

0.....Burglary Other

2.....Theft Other

1.....Road Traffic Collisions [note 4]

Note 1

The report covers a period of 8 weeks. With this in mind the ASBO/ Nuisance problems are higher. This may well also be due to the Best Kept Village Competition and villagers being a little more vigilant. The ASBO/ Nuisance problems range from youths around the village hall, youths in the fields off Moor Lane and vehicles speeding and wheel spinning around the shops. However it is pleasing that there were no reported incidents of mindless damage at all.

Note 2

The reported assault was of a minor nature and the injured party did not wish to make a complaint. We are aware of two other incidents, however one injured party was never traced following a report from a member of public, and another didn't even contact the police.

Note 3

The Local Policing Unit as a whole had an increase of burglaries and Pattingham has suffered with 4 reports. One of the burglaries involved the theft of car keys and their two vehicles were stolen. This type of crime is again on the increase. Staffs police are working with the West Mids in a special operation. Over the last few weeks more than 17 offenders have been arrested for this type of offence, and thousands of pounds worth of high performance vehicles have been

recovered, in and around the local policing unit. It is important not to leave car keys, laptops or flat screen TV's on view overnight. I would recommend, even in these light nights curtains are drawn overnight.

Note 4

There was only one reported road traffic collision. This occurred on the ridge at Nurton. It is linked to the theft of motor vehicle as the owner reported it stolen the following morning.

Any questions or info contact the Neighbourhood Police Team on voicemail box no. 08453 302010, PC Duncan Lampitt x04259, PC Hossack x03537 or PCSO'S Rachael Street x 08862, Teresa Wilkes x8861.

69/09 Signing of minutes

Minutes of meetings held on 20th May 2009 were amended – Cllr D Morgans added to members present and initialled by chairman, amended minutes were signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record.

70/09 Declarations of Interest

Councillor Tomlinson declared a personal and prejudicial interest in item 73/09

71/09 Clerks Report

Clarification on the SID was given and reported that the devices will be placed on Wolverhampton Road and Westbeech Road in the vicinity of St. Chad's school for a period of 6 weeks.

Resolved that the grit bin be requested again for the alleyway in Wolverhampton Road.

72/09 Chairman's Correspondence

The Chairman had a meeting with the Crime Prevention Officer and possible solutions for some of the Anti social behaviour were discussed.

Resolved contact the Village hall regarding the anti-climb paint that needs renewing.

Resolved contact Co-op to suggest that anti climb paint could be applied to their side wall.

73/09 Allotments

A request from the allotment committee to be included in the precept budget was discussed. **Resolved** Council will look at financial requests on a project by project basis.

A request from the plot holders to erect their own shed not a communal one as agreed. **Resolved** No individual sheds to be erected. Planning would be required for all sheds. Parish council will still look at helping with application costs

Resolved to approve the draft sub lease as previously distributed

74/09 Newsletter

The printer has the finished articles. It may be a couple of weeks before finished newsletters are ready for delivery.

75/09 Christmas lighting

The lights that were taken out of the tree on Wolverhampton Road are to be installed in Burnhill Green as another suitable tree cannot be identified in Pittingham.

- 76/09 Highways
- a. It was suggested that rumble strips could be used on the Burnhill Green straight either side of the junction with Snowdon Road.
 - b. Further discussions were held regarding Westbeech Road. Still awaiting confirmation of the additional restrictions.
 - c. **Resolved** Clerk to contact Hills coaches and request that they stop using Westbeech Road to come in or out of the village as it causes major problems if it meets another vehicle.

Mark Jenkinson joined the meeting. Agenda item no. 80/09 was brought forward.

- 80/09 South Staffordshire District Council
- Mark Jenkinson introduced himself to the members. His remit is to work with all ages of the community to gain funding for projects/groups.
- There is currently a Big Lottery Village SOS grant opportunity available to villages under 3,000. The funding will be allocated on the most appropriate new business initiative which brings the village back to life.
- He was very impressed when he visited the youth club and got some good ideas from the children.
- It was suggested that transport to activities that are held in Codsall i.e. boxing, fire fighting courses
- The proposed MUGA (Multi Use Games Area) will need planning permission.

- 77/09 Footpaths
- Cllr Billson will speak to Rights of way to see what is holding up the opening of the walks in Burnhill Green. This process has been going on for several years.

- 78/09 Burnhill Green
- Nothing to report.

- 79/09 Pattingham Playing Fields
- Correspondence from the committee regarding financial help towards repair of the see-saw is no longer relevant. The equipment has been repaired.
 - There are currently 2 trustee vacancies on the playing fields committee. **Resolved** the clerk contact Mr Steve Greenway and Mr John Roberts. Mr Alan Caswell could be a reserve contact if needed.
 - The playing fields committee have asked if the litter warden could increase his hours during the lighter nights. **Resolved** Clerk to contact the warden to see if he is able to increase from 3 to 5 hours between the change of clocks.
 - The playing fields committee asked if the Parish council could help towards funding required to complete a soil survey at a cost of £825. The survey is a requirement for a football foundation grant application. **Resolved** Parish Council will pay half and Cllr Billson will donate the other half from his Community Fund (previously known as Local Member Initiative). Clerk to apply.

- 81/09 NALC
- Sanctioned** 2009/10 Local Council Review subscription.

- 82/09 Councillor Remuneration
- Resolved** not to accept remuneration, to be reviewed next financial year.

Planning

Councillor Burton made no comments on the following applications

	Applications for comments
09/00494/FUL	The Peel House, Wolverhampton Road, Pattingham, WV6 7BH Variation of condition 3 of planning application – object to condition changing, neighbours would lose privacy
09/00482/FUL	17 Moor Lane Front canopy and porch – no objections

	Applications returned
09/00468/FUL	Westbeech House, Westbeech Road, Pattingham WV6 7HF Extension to existing garage – Property is within the green belt. The access for a business would be very dangerous. There have been several serious accidents in this area.
09/00453/FUL	Hollies Farm, Hollies Lane, Pattingham WV6 7HJ Extension to existing double garage to raise roof height – No objections
09/00476/FUL	6 & 8 High Street, Pattingham WV6 7BQ Conservatory – No objections

	Planning applications approved
09/00369/FUL	36 Moor Lane, Pattingham, WV6 7DN Demolition of existing garage, WC and store and construction of ground floor side extension
09/00366/FUL	The Peel House, Wolverhampton Road, Pattingham WV6 7AF Two storey extension and single storey covered way at rear
09/00233/FUL	95 Clive Road, Pattingham WV6 7DJ Single storey rear extension and roof alterations
09/00379/ADV	Pattingham Post Office & The Co-operative 5-7 High Street Installation of three signs

Finance

(a) To sanction cheque payments as listed below:

Chq No.	Payee	Amount £
701513	A Horton	£84.00
701514	Information Commissioner	£35.00
701515	Richards CCTV – maintenance contract	569.25
701516	Derek Walker (internal audit)	80.00
701517	J Williams	244.40
701518	Inland Revenue	61.10
701519	Shaw & Sons (minute book)	136.62
701520	Goodwin & Price (removal of Xmas lights)	638.25
	June total	£1848.62

701521	R Hodgetts	726.30
701522	A Horton	144.00
701523	Inland Revenue	166.88
701524	Pattingham Playing Fields - Football	75.00
701525	Ann Raymond - flowers	13.75
701526	Playing Fields Precept - replaces chq 701495	1500.00
701527	NALC	13.50
701528	R Taylor - petrol	6.62
	July total	£2646.05

Balance sheet and income and expenditure previously distributed for information.

A request for financial help from the Old Peoples Welfare Committee was discussed. **Resolved** to increase their precept payment from £1400 to £3,000.

85/09 Councillor Reports

County Council

Matters of interest reported from Cllr D Billson

- Cllr Billson introduced himself. He is a retired policeman. Served 31 years on the force. He then became a Private Eye for several years and retired 2 years ago
- There is not a lot happening at the County Council following the election in June. No decisions will be made until October as work is being carried out on various portfolios
- Parish councils will be expected to contribute financially with joint working. It was suggested that the parish add this into their precept in future
- Cllr Billson is conducting a survey into rural transport

District Council

- The new deputy chief executive has been appointed
- The new Chairman is Christine Raven
- The tree by the butchers will be replaced following the removal of the diseased one
- Phase 3 of the Regional Spatial Strategy is out for consultation. It will be very controversial. Areas have to be designated for gypsies/itinerants.

86/09 Any Other Business

To report any matters of interest

- a. BKV competition announcement – 3rd August 09 #County Building, Stafford 7.30pm.
- b. Tourism news – The district asked that all councillors were aware of the publication.

87/09 Date of next meeting

16th September 2009, Pattingham Village Hall 7.30pm

Meeting closed at 10.00pm

Signed:

Dated: