

Meeting of Pattingham & Patshull Parish Council,
Pattingham village Hall
Wednesday 21st July 2010 at 7.30pm

Minutes

Present

Cllr S Ponder - Vice Chairman

Cllr Mrs J Burton

Cllr Mrs C Roberts

Cllr A Baugh

Cllr D Morgans

Cllr J Tomlinson

Cllr Ponder chaired the meeting

Also present, Mrs B Hodgetts, County Councillor D Billson, PC Lampitt (part of the meeting)

Public Forum

No public present

50/10 Apologies

Apologies received and accepted from Cllr K Whalley, Cllr Mrs J Morgans and Cllr Mrs S Brinkman

No apologies received from Cllr Mrs S Evans and Cllr D Baldwin

51/10 Police Report

Pattingham Reported Crime Figures 19/05/2010 – 21/06/2010

7.....Nuisance Rowdy Behaviour = ASB

2.....Assault

0.....Public Order

0.....Criminal Damage

0.....Damage to M/V

0.....Theft of M/V

3.....Theft from M/V

0.....Burglary Dwelling

0.....Burglary Other

1.....Theft Other

1.....Road Traffic Collisions

0.....Robbery

0.....Drugs

Note 1

Anti social behaviour levels were slightly reduced for this period, but there were concerns re the trees on the playing field being stripped. An action plan has been set up for the ASB around the village hall, involving both the Neighbourhood team and the response vehicles. Out of the 7 reports, 3 were for vehicles racing around the village hall. 2 motorists have been given suitable advice and may face section 59 warnings in future if caught using their vehicles in a manner which causes a nuisance. In another incident 3 local lads were caught playing football on the car parks there. The parents of these lads will be receiving anti social behaviour letters from Insp. Chapman regarding their children's behaviour.

Note 2

The two reported assaults were both of a minor nature and domestic related, which were resolved without any formal complaints.

Note 3

The priority crime figures were excellent with no burglaries, robberies, or criminal damage and no theft of or damage to motor vehicles. However there were 3 reports of theft from motor vehicles. 2 of which involved the taking of parts from vehicles, one of which is a repeat victim.

Note 4

The theft report was that of a scrap merchant removing items which had been left on view but were not scrap. I would suggest nothing is left on view as Pattingham is in the good scrap metal merchants guide. With the price of scrap being at £148 per tonne we will get regular visits. Two such scrap men have been stopped checked in the village and found to be legal. Staffs Police are having a day of action assisting trading standards later this month. We will be targeting scrap merchants, in this area.

Note 5

The RTC was a particularly serious one down at Patshull.

Any questions or info contact the Neighbourhood Police Team on voicemail box no., PC Duncan Lampitt x04259, PC Hossack x03537, PCSO Ashley Tooth x16722 or PCSO Teresa Wilkes x8861.

3 days have been spent in the village with the laser gun. 6 tickets and 6 cautions were issued. If vehicles caught in a 30mph zone doing speeds of 36/37 they will get a verbal warning, 38/39 the driver will be offered a ticket or attendance on a speed awareness course. If caught doing 40+ an endorsement ticket will be issued.

Mr Stubbs at the fire service is looking into some fire courses, they are taking this issue seriously.

Community Speed Watch is available if 6 volunteers can be found and a new laser gun bought by the council.

52/10 **Minutes**

Minutes of meetings held on 21st June 2010 and Special meeting held on 5th July 2010, previously distributed were agreed and signed as a true and correct record.

53/10 **Declarations of Interest**

No declarations made.

54/10 **Clerks report**

Nothing further to update.

55/10 **Chairman's Correspondence**

Mr Keith Turner has approached the parish council to request funding. He is currently chair of the playing fields committee but also runs an under 11's football team. The playing fields have lost 2 fee paying football teams this year which will make a significant loss of revenue for the committee. Keith proposes to use the top field as the home ground for his team Old Wulfrunians. It will mean a total of 20 games for the season. Old Wulfrunians is an established club backed by the Grammar school. The team are asking if the Parish council would consider paying half the cost of purchasing new goals suitable for the age group and they would then be available to the village when ever necessary. In return they will return the bare patches and take control of moving the goals on a regular basis. **Sanctioned** 50% of the cost of goals.

St. Chad's School are completing a funding application for the Forest Schools scheme. The Parish Council will need to act as the applicant as it is the land owner. **Sanctioned** clerk to complete application form with the schools input.

56/10 Newsletter/Website

- **Resolved** clerk to get a link from South Staffordshire website to Parish Council website.
- **Resolved** Clerk to see about getting a counter on the website to see how many times it is being visited.
- **Resolved** to put bullet points onto website as and when appropriate.

57/10 Christmas lighting

Nothing to report

58/10 Highways

- There have been some complaints from the coach companies that they are occasionally not able to get into the village past the butchers due to the parking when parents are picking up from school at 3.30pm.
- **Resolved** clerk to contact Clarence , the posts and rails on Clive bank corner need clearing, they have cut the verge but left this section.
- **Resolved** Clerk to contact the housing association to request grass cutting in St. Chad's Close
- Resolved clerk to contact Shropshire or Staffordshire regarding a stone that is protruding into the road between the A464 and A41. It needs either highlighting or removing.

59/10 Footpaths

- We are still waiting for the lighting engineer to come down to start the work in Clive Road

60/10 Burnhill Green

- The Dartmouth Arms lease stipulates that the crown room can be used 12 times by the villagers. This hasn't happened, but the Dartmouth are looking for ideas.
- The Dartmouth have asked permission to put a marquee on the playing fields, this has been refused and suggested that some goal posts need installing, Cllr Baugh or Cllr Ponder to follow this through.
- The triangle of grass outside the new development is a disgrace and needs looking at.

61/10 CCTV

It is very hard to compare quotations when solutions vary. Clerk to obtain comparable quotes for the next meeting.

62/10 Pattingham Village Hall

Pattingham Village Hall committee has asked for a financial contribution towards the new fire alarm system that is required.

Resolved Clerk to request 2 further quotes and to ascertain how much they would like as a contribution, also to see their 09/10 accounts.

63/10 Youth Forum

- South Staffordshire District Council has given approximate cost for the critical inspection periods of £1,500. Sanctioned to go ahead with this as it allows some come back in the future if problems arise..
- The £7,000 grant for the MUGA will be financed as follows:
 - £5,000 Playing Fields Fabric Fund
 - £3,000 from deposit account.

The Parish Council thanked Clerk Becky Hodgetts for all her hard work in relation to the MUGA

64/10 Planning

Applications for comments	
10/00501/FUL	Great Moor Road Cottages, Great Moor Road, WV6 Conversion of mill and outbuilding to dwelling and stable/garaging [amendments to 08/00126/FUL] No objections
10/00533/COU	Orchard Way, Great Moor Road Change of use of an existing garage into a dwelling No objections

Applications returned since last meeting	
	None

Planning applications approved	
	None

Planning applications withdrawn	
	None

Planning applications Refused	
09/00642/FUL	Fox Cottage, Clive Road, Pattingham WV6 7EN Erection of stable block

65/10 Finance

➤ **Sanctioned** cheque payments as listed below:

Chq No.	Payee	Amount £
BACS	R Hodgetts – June salary	£386.80
701628	R Hodgetts Expenses	£56.15
	Inland Revenue	84.00
701629	Matthew Richards Gardening Services (footpaths)	£355.00
701630	A Horton	£96.00
701631	South Staffordshire Council – Changing room loan	£2000.00
701632	Viking Direct	£100.35
	Website hosting expenses 2008 - 2011	69.67
	July total	£3147.97

66/10 Councillor Report

District Council

Matters of interest report by Cllr Mrs Burton
Not much to report this meeting.

- The standards Board is being abolished
- There will be a cut in District Councillor allowance

County Council

Matters of interest report by Cllr D Billson

Cllr Billson attended a 3 day Housing Conference in Harrogate.

- District Council have introduced new methods of consultation utilising access to social media sites such as Facebook and twitter. The initial consultation is regarding rural transport. Website is www.myplacemysay.co.uk
- Due to government cut backs 10 local fire station, including the new one for Codsall, may not be built.
- Nominations for pub of the year closes on 29th July.

67/10 **Any other Business**

The police budget has been cut, it is hoped it will be backroom staff not front line officers that will be hit.

68/10 **Date of next meeting**

Wednesday 15th September 2010 – Pattingham Village Hall 7.30pm

Meeting closed 9.40pm

Signed:

Dated: