

Meeting of Pattingham & Patshull Parish Council,  
Pattingham village Hall  
Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2011 at 7.30pm

Minutes

Present

Cllr K Whalley - Chairman  
Cllr S Ponder - Vice Chairman  
Cllr D Morgans                      Cllr Mrs Roberts  
Cllr Mrs S Evans                    Cllr J Tomlinson  
Cllr Mrs J Burton                    Cllr A Baugh

Also present, Mrs B Hodgetts (clerk)

Public Forum

Mr M Finch, Mr R Lines, Ms Mazzone present to observe the meeting.

The clerk expressed her thanks for the beautiful flowers she received following her recent operation.

156/10      Apologies  
Apologies received and accepted from, Cllr J Morgans and Cllr Billson. Late apologies received from Cllr Baldwin

157/10      Police Report  
Pattingham Reported Crime Figures 27/01/2011 – 23/03/2011

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6.....Nuisance Rowdy Behaviour = ASB  
1.....Assault  
0.....Criminal Damage  
0.....Damage to M/V  
0.....Theft of M/V  
1.....Theft from M/V  
1.....Burglary Dwelling  
1.....Burglary Other  
2.....Theft Other  
1.....Road Traffic Collisions  
0.....Drugs

Note 1

Anti social behaviour figures are very pleasing, although the figures don't tell the whole picture. Out of the six calls two were for noisy neighbours and one was for a nuisance telephone call. However 4 lads were made to pick up litter around the car parks of the Pigot and village hall for causing nuisance. Another lad was caught smashing a bottle on the park area. He was made to clean up and his parents received a letter about his behaviour. The football nuisance has reared its head again with the youths kicking footballs around the village hall and in the main road. One football has been seized already. Any problems around the village hall should be noted and CCTV checked. Anyone caught on CCTV will be dealt with.

Note 2

The priority crime figures were good again. There was only one reported burglary dwelling and one theft from motor vehicle. The motor vehicle was left insecure in Bumhill Green. The assault involved dispute between ex husband and new partner and was not too serious. The thefts involved a phone from a house party and in another incident an electric box for a fence was stolen.

The burglary (other building), involved 4 local youths, sneaking into the village hall. They mindlessly discharged the fire extinguisher, making an awful mess. Enquiries are in hand.

Note 3

One traffic accident involved a motor cycle on the Wolverhampton Rd, which thankfully was not too serious.

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

- 158/10 Signing of minutes  
Minutes of meetings held on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2011, previously distributed were signed as a true and correct record.
- 159/10 Declarations of Interest  
No deedarations made
- 160/10 Clerks Report  
Additional Correspondence from Knight Frank has confirmed that an opening ceremony will be held for the new footpaths in Burnhill Green. The Jubilee Walk is one suggested name for the new paths.
- 161/10 Chairman's Correspondence
- Cllr Ponder informed the meeting that Burnhill Green is hoping to hold an event to celebrate the Royal Wedding on 29<sup>th</sup> April. A request for a donation was received. **Resolved** If there was a shortfall in cost then an application could be made to the council
  - A meeting was held to discuss the final draft of the Affordable Housing Survey which will go out to households in May.
  - Mr Finch outlined his 'Sports Marathon Day' but explained that there may be a shortfall in funds. **Resolved** If there was a shortfall in cost then an application could be made to the council
- 162/10 Christmas lighting
- The cost of the installation was a lot less this year than thought. Budgeted £7,000 actual cost £2947.47 + additional bulbs £1057.50
  - The Chairman has been canvassing the parishioners on the possibility of changing the switch on to a Sunday. There were some favourable comments. **Resolved** Lights switch on in Pattingham Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2011, with Burnhill Green remaining on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup>. Chairman to confirm the Village hall is free for Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> November
- 163/10 Highways
- Cllr Tomlinson and Cllr Brinkman met with Mr David Wright Staffordshire Highways to discuss the Winter Operation. It was agreed to install grit bins at the top and bottom of the alleyway by the butchers, bottom of Great Moor Road, and outside the shops. Also to move the bin in Hollies Lane closer to the road.
  - **Resolved** Clerk to report the following pot holes:
    - Outside the butchers is still in bad repair.
    - On Patshull Road near Tuter's Lodge
    - By the zebra crossing on High Street
    - Road leading to Burnhill Green by Crockery Rockery house.
  - A letter from a resident regarding parking on Wolverhampton Road opposite the butchers at school time. Parents are parking on the pavement when dropping/collecting their children. This is obstructing the pavement and making it dangerous to pedestrians. **Resolved** Clerk to forward the letter to the police.
  - The traffic calming by the children's play area is making it difficult for the gas lorry to deliver to the old people's bungalow. **Resolved** to monitor situation.
  - The Drains at the crossroads continually has residual water lying in them, which flood whenever we have a lot of rain in a short space of time. **Resolved** Clerk to write to Severn Trent.

- Some of the barriers and kerb stones have not been removed from The Square and Clive Road. **Resolved** Clerk to contact Highways. It was noted that a very good job has been done on the new footpath.

164/10 Footpaths

- It was requested that an article be written for the parish magazine to re-enforce/inform walkers and horse riders should stay on the dedicated public footpaths. **Resolved** Cllr Roberts to write the article.
- Clerk to contact the Crown to confirm that an opening ceremony for the newly created walks is a welcomed by the parish council
- Cllr Burton will work out what signage is required for the new walks.

165/10 Burnhill Green

- Nothing further to report

166/10 South Staffordshire Council

**Resolved** to request 6 sessions for summer Sussed at £95 per session plus the cost of the village hall hire.

167/10 MUGA

A grant of £3,000 has been approved from the youth bank. Unfortunately it has to be spent before 31<sup>st</sup> March 2011. Lengthy discussions were held to decide if this should be used for portable lighting or put towards fixed lighting for the MUGA. There will be some opposition to permanent lighting from local residents. The electrics could be installed but not used straight away. **Resolved** use the £3,000 to install the electricity to the MUGA then hold a public meeting to explain proposals to the residents and playing fields committee. Clerk to clarify the permissible pole height with planning.

168/10 South Staffordshire MP

Thank you to the council for attending the public meeting on 26<sup>th</sup> February 2011. The subjects raised will be dealt with as soon as possible and he will update the council when possible.

169/10 Insurance renewals

**Resolved**

- Pattingham Playing Fields £1552.70
- Burnhill Green Playing Fields £505.20
- Youth Forum £83.71

170/10 Planning

	<b>Applications for comments</b>
11/00162/LUP	<b>Great Moor Cottages, Great Moor Road, Pattingham WV6 7AU</b> Detached stable hay store and tractor store Application for certificate of lawful use or development of land. The applicant aims to prove that the specified activity is lawful because the development would be automatically permitted planning law. <b>This property is in the green belt</b>

	<b>Applications returned since last meeting</b>
10/00045/FUL	<b>Orchard Way, Great Moor Road, Pattingham WV6 7AG</b> Detached double garage <b>No objection</b>

<b>Planning applications approved</b>	
10/00919/FUL	<b>Mill Riding Centre, Warstones Hill Road, Nurton WV6 7AU</b> Formation of ménage plus erection of management, health and welfare facilities building; machinery outdoors equipment store {resubmission of 10/00696/FUL

<b>Planning applications withdrawn</b>	
	None

<b>Planning applications Refused</b>	
10/00955/FUL	<b>17 Newgate, Pittingham WV6 7AG</b> Two storey extension providing enlarged kitchen and additional bedroom

171/10 Finance

(a) **Resolved** payments as detailed below :

701691	Inland Revenue	84.00
701692	Pittingham Playing Fields (football)	125.00
701693	Village hall precept	3500.00
701694	Pittingham Preschool precept	1400.00
701695	J Teague (Burnhill Green repairs)	56.00
701696	Tennyson Insurance	1552.70
701697	Chambers Electrical	2947.47
	<b>February total</b>	<b>£ 9665.17</b>

BACS	R Hodgetts (February salary)	336.80
701698	Pittingham Playing Fields precept	1000.00
701699	Pittingham Village Hall – CCTV electricity costs	121.06
701700	Pittingham Playing Fields – Football	75.00
701701	Crown Estate – Burnhill Green rental	53.50
701702	South Staffordshire Council – MUGA Charges	3174.00
701703	Pittingham Church Estate – rent + insurance	199.50
BACS	R Hodgetts (March salary)	486.80
701704	Inland Revenue	201.00
701705	R Hodgetts – expenses	95.36
701706	E.on Christmas lighting electricity	82.60
701707	A Horton	180.00
701708	J Williams	489.40
001712	An Raymond	12.00
	<b>March Total</b>	<b>£6507.02</b>

701709	SPCA – annual subscription	425.00
701710	Tennyson Insurance	505.20
001711	BJK Insurance	83.71
	<b>To be paid next financial year</b>	<b>£1013.91</b>

Invoices have been raised for £750 to Crown Estate for Christmas lights contribution and also £56.00 to Brake Brothers for Burnhill Green repairs.

St. Chad's forest school funding for £2,230 has been approved by the Big lottery

172/10

Councillor Reports

- District Council report - Cllr Burton
  - There are District and parish elections in May, also a referendum on alternative voting.
  - There is no council tax rise for 2011/12
  - Relaxation of some planning rules were announced in the budget.
  - Pattingham & Burnhill Green could need 20 new homes within the next 10 years.
  
- County Council report - Cllr Billson
  - The County issued Bus Pass following objections from South Staffs and others will now be accepted 24/7 on all buses in Staffordshire. Out of county it can only be used from 9.30am onwards.
  - As from 1<sup>st</sup> June all persons under the age of 20 will be entitled to travel anywhere in Staffordshire for £1.00. There will be two classes, under 15s and 15 to 20yrs. Local registration will commence on 1<sup>st</sup> April. It is understood that local libraries will be the registration point.
  - Due to farming needs the repairs to the road at Badger will not now take place until October and the road will remain open till then. There will however be some preparatory work which will not affect traffic.
  - Work has started on building the Moog factory on the i54, this should be finished by the end of the year safeguarding over 400 jobs.
  - As you may be aware Council tax both at County and District level has been frozen.
  - The HS2 project will be discussed at county in the near future when an official response to the proposals will be made.
  - The use of Snow Ploughs was mentioned at the last meeting. The directive is that snow ploughs will only be used when there is 6cm or more of snow. It is quite apparent that no one from the highways was aware of just how much snow we had in December. They are now aware and I am assured the problem will not happen in the future.

173/10

Any Other Business

- As this is the last meeting of the current council we wish everyone well.
- Judging of the Best Kept Village children's posters will be done by Cllrs Burton and Tomlinson on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> April 1.45pm.

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Date of next meeting

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2011, Pattingham Village Hall 7.30pm

Meeting closed at 9.30pm

*Signed* ..... *Dated*.....