

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
CAMELEY PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT 7.30pm
9th NOVEMBER 2011 IN TEMPLE CLOUD VILLAGE HALL**

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PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: There were 8 members of the public present.

A resident informed the meeting that the old Parish Council website was still accessible – this was duly noted. He told the meeting that the new website was excellent. The question was asked about the defunct Charity and a question of protocol was raised. Both were duly noted and acknowledged. Other points raised were about damage to the fence in Playing Field Lane which would be investigated and the fact that on Halloween Night it took an ambulance 1¼ hours to respond to an accident. The PC was asked to consider involving residents in the Parish Plan.

The Business meeting opened at 7.45pm

PRESENT: Councillors Ms Atkinson (Chair), Cllrs Mr Dando, Mrs Gray, Mr Gough, Mr Hemmings, Mr Hooper (Vice Chair), Mr Hutchinson, Mr Welsford, and the Clerk, Mr Scutt.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Cllrs. Mrs Harvey, Mrs Parfitt and Ward Cllr Mr Warren sent their apologies

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST:

None were declared

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

The October minutes were approved and signed.

4. UPDATE FROM CLERK ON OUTSTANDING MATTERS

The police reaction to parked vans and cars on Temple Inn Lane was they would investigate however if the vehicles are taxed, parked on the road (and not on the pavement) and not breaking any parking restrictions then there was little they could do. The question of whether the lay by outside the Goldney Hall site would be reinstated is unresolved. In the matter of restricted parking outside the surgery PC Peard has been asked to have a word with the surgery. The Clerk reported positive responses from parishioners towards the parking restrictions.

The “rogue” mattress in Greyfield view was reported to B&NES who promised to remove it.

5. VILLAGE HALL/PLAYING FIELD

It was reported the Charity Commission would be happy if basic accounts information were sent in for the playing field. The Parish Council is the trustee of the PF Charity and is therefore responsible for reporting account's figures to the Charity Commissioners. All the amounts involved have been reported in the Village Hall & Playing Field Accounts. It was suggested the figures to be reported were those of income from Playing Field hire, the same amounts to be shown as outgoings, effectively those outgoings would be the Playing Field income shown in the Village Hall & Playing Field accounts.

The state of car park surface was discussed because in the wet it turns into a morass. The three options are to 1) leave it as it is which is inconvenient in the bad weather , 2) to tarmac the entire area at a cost of approx £12,000 and c) to strip surface and lay clean stone chippings at a cost of about £2000. It was agreed option 2 was too expensive and option C was short term in that the vehicular use of the park would soon churn up the stones. A fourth option of road scalping was suggested but the downside of this is the dust caused. It was agreed to leave as it is, and review again when the winter weather effect could be judged.

It was agreed to fit posts into the gap between the gate to the car park and the school fence to stop small cars accessing the park when the gate is locked. At the same time a more suitable lock to the car park gate was to be fitted. A budget of £100 was proposed and agreed. A vote of thanks was given to local resident Mr Murphy who locks and unlocks the gate each day.

Cllr Hooper reported that PCSO Kate Chamberlain had visited him to suggest CCTV was installed around the hall. This was discussed and not adopted. The idea of using a high pitched resonator was discussed and Cllr Hemmings agreed to research this.

6. FINANCE: It was proposed and agreed to pay the following:-

A) Payments	£	Vat
(1) Clerks Oct wages	269.54	
(2) Sweepers Oct Wages	425.13	
(3) Garage rent Nov	33.36	6.67

B) Payments received

(1) Parish Sweeper Nov	286.44
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7. HIGHWAYS AND ROADSWEEPING

The Chair reported that she had supplied the village operative with a proposed timetable for which areas he sweeps and when he does them for November and December. It was agreed that the Clerk would pin these timetables to the notice-boards.

8. STOWEY QUARRY

The meeting was told that B&NES consent to the planning permission originally given for Stowey Quarry to be quashed. Once done the way would be open for another application which would be discussed by the Parish Council in due course, although it was noted the quarry lies outside the parish boundary.

9. PLANNING MATTERS

The meeting was told that Planning Policy officers are holding a briefing meeting for Parish and Town Councillors to introduce the draft Neighbourhood Planning Protocol. This is the protocol that will consider a range of new mechanisms which aim to facilitate community involvement in planning. Attendance would be restricted to two councillors from each council. Cllrs Hooper and Hutchinson volunteered to represent Cameley PC at the meeting on Monday 12th December.

10. PARISH PLAN

Cllr Hooper reported that the last meeting of the steering group had agreed on the questions to be asked in the survey and that Cllr Hemmings would provide the template for the printers. He told the meeting that the survey would be delivered to each household in the parish and would be collected next day. It was agreed that the

collectors would call back several times. It was also agreed to provide a closed letter box at Temple Tyres for residents to drop off their survey.

Cllr Hooper pointed out to the meeting that he had requested help from the community in putting together ideas/questions/topics for the survey and had not received any calls. There were also no offers of help with distributing and collecting the survey.

11. DIAMOND JUBILEE

The idea of a War Memorial was discussed – Cllr Hooper would approach Mr Ray Sage from The Royal British Legion for a discussion. Also discussed was the idea of providing Jubilee Mugs to children at the village school, planting a tree and even purchasing a beacon. It was agreed to keep the Diamond Jubilee on the agenda each month and for Councillors to consider other options.

12. INFORMATION EXCHANGE – it was reported that:-

Cllr Harvey sent a request to the Parish Council asking for four further months leave of absence whilst she recovers from illness. This was approved unanimously.

It was confirmed that the Temple Inn was granted its licence to operate extended opening hours.

13. NEXT MEETING will be on Wednesday 14th December 2011 at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 8.40pm