

St Peter the Great County Parish Council

Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held on **Monday 26th March 2007** at **7.45pm in the Village Hall, St Peters.**

Present: Chairman; Cllr. C. Mills; Cllrs; Mrs S. Mills, R. Knight, D. Edgerton, R. McFarlane, Mrs. J. Chown.

Attending: Mr. I. Yates, (Worcs. City Council), Mr. T. Comerford (Worcs. County Council).

1607 Apologies for Absence: Council received apologies for absence from:
Cllr. P Thorlby, Mrs. J. Knott, Mrs. P. Bunney. . County Cllr. M. Cairns (late).

1707 Declarations of Interest: Cllr. Knight declared a crucial interest in the Village Hall and Youth Group items.

1807 Adoption of Minutes: The Minutes of the meeting, 26th February 2007 were **agreed and signed.**

1907 Short Information Reports: Council received short verbal reports from:

- (a) City Council Environmental Officer, Mr Ian Yates, confirming that a new qualified Warden had been appointed, and agreed that 'Worcester in Bloom' would encompass the St Peter's in Bloom initiative. Details to be finalised.
- (b) Mr. T. Comerford provided the latest information regarding the provision of safe crossings on St Peter's Drive, emphasising that the Farne Avenue location had been ruled out because of adverse high percentile speeds at this currently un-controlled, heavily used crossing point.
- (c) Cllr Knight reported on several local minor issues, including the Old Oil Depot and Car Sales problems, both of which were still receiving City Council attention.

2007 Planning Matters:

No consultation was available, and the Clerk agreed to speak to the City Planning Officer to review the arrangements.

2107 Accounts, Financial Matters and Administration:

(a) Payment of the following accounts was agreed:

Worcs Ambulance Service, grant for defribillator.....£	500.00.
D. Edgerton, mileage incurred in environmental work.....£	96.55
Creative Spaces, web site hosting.....£	100.00
Dor 2 Dor, distribution of Newslink.....£	150.00
Worcs City Council, 6/12ths of annual warden scheme.....£	2,937.50

(b) Council considered the following items:

- i** A request from the Village Hall Committee to reconsider the annual grant (already agreed at £1000 per Minute No.1507 d) and the sub-letting arrangements to the Youth Group. Cllr Knight withdrew from the meeting.
Resolved: The matters be discussed initially with the Hall Committee and the Youth Group, either separately or jointly, by the Clerk, pending further consideration by Council.

- ii** 10 consultation questions for circulation in respect of a proposed Parish Plan were presented by the Vice Chairman and carefully considered.

Resolved: That the questions be adopted and published on the Web Site and in Newslink forthwith.....continued

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2107 continued:

- iii The Duckworth Trust had requested Council's consideration of supplying litter picking pliers for use at voluntary litter picks at St Peter's
Resolved: The Parish Council will fund the purchase of five sets of pliers for this purpose.

2207 Outstanding Items:

- (a) The Lap Top had not yet been purchased due to Cllr Knight actively seeking 'Best Value' purchase and maintenance.
(b) Cllr. Knight agreed to confer with City Council Officers regarding the re-positioning of, and possible provision of, more dog fouling bins.
(c) Council addressed all relevant information and correspondence from the Clerk, and more specifically the arrangements for the forthcoming May elections.

2307 Exempt Items

Council considered proposals from Cllr Knight regarding the Clerk's contract and the employers responsibilities in this respect.

Resolved: That the facilities offered in writing by Messrs Certax Accountants for dealing with all staff PAYE and NIC contributions be formally accepted, and that Cllr Knight be given delegated responsibility for overseeing the necessary arrangements.

2407 Date of Next Meeting: Monday 30th April 2007.

Signed.....Chairman

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