

St Peter the Great County Parish Council

Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 25th July 2011 at 7.45pm in the Village Hall, St Peters.

Present: Chairman; R. McFarlane, Councillors: Mrs. P Clayton, Mr. A. White Bower
Mr. G. Rowe.

Also Attending: Mr A Booth, (Warden), City Cllr. R. Knight, Mr. D. Edgerton,
The Press.

6611 Apologies for Absence: An apology from Cllr. Mr. P. Thorlby was received.

6711 Declarations of Interest: No interests were declared.

6811 Adoption of Minutes: Council agreed the minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 27th June 2011.

6911 Co-options: Council resolved to co-opt Mrs. E. Bullock, of 6 Chase End Close, Battenhall, Worcester, who signed the obligatory written undertakings and was welcomed to the table by the Chairman.

7011 Short Information Reports:

Council received a short verbal report from St. Peter's Warden, together with a written activity report. The replacement of two parish litter bins was addressed. It was agreed nem com that a refurbished bin be purchased from, and installed by, the City Council at the St Peter's Drive/Farne Avenue crossing point, at a total cost of £90. A replacement bin adjacent to Lloyds Pharmacy was rejected in view of the £500 cost indicated by the City Council, which was considered to be far too expensive.

The Chairman again requested the Warden to obtain without further delay the long outstanding inspection and maintenance schedule for Play Builder. It was noted that reports were overdue for Pedway surfaces, un-adopted areas, hedges, and the City Council litter bin location, condition and replacement schedule as agreed with Parks and Cemeteries Dept..

The Warden confirmed the arrangements for assisting the 'Play Day' event. At this point City Cllr R. Knight reported the success of 'Worcester Pride' and in particular the numerous litter picks.

7111 Administrative Matters & Correspondence.

The Clerk provided all relevant correspondence and administrative matters to bring Council up to date since the previous meeting.

7211 St Peter's Community Hall Provision:

Cllr R. Knight had no significant update regarding the Village Hall lease and reported that attracting new member/officers for the Village Hall Association committee was proving to be very difficult. He confirmed that Cllr Mrs. P. Clayton had accepted an invitation to become a Director of the Village Hall Association.

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7311 Accounts, Financial Matters:

- (a) Payment of the accounts as presented at the meeting was agreed as follows:
 - PACE, print Newslink.....£1202.67
 - Dor 2 Dor, distribution of Newslink.....£ 275.00
 - HMRC, paye deductions.....£ 172.12
- (b) The Clerk reported that the annual accounts had just received an unqualified satisfactory audit by the Internal Auditor and were being passed to the District Auditor for final audit.
- (c) Responses from the residents and advertisers in respect of the Newslink article in the previous issue, seeking opinion on its value and its future continuation, had provided 99% unqualified support. There were many requests, especially from advertisers for the continuation of the magazine at all costs, The Clerk had made copies of the many e-mail responses available at the meeting. The current issue had not produced any significant profit but there was no shortfall.

7411 Annual Review: The Chairman reported briefly on a Working Party meeting held on 18th July 2011 to review procedures and responsibilities, and indicated that he would produce a short, but detailed, written report in due course.

7511 Confirm Date of Next Meeting: Provisionally Monday 26th September 2011.

Signed.....Chairman

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