

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ECCLESTON PARISH COUNCIL, held on TUESDAY 9 FEBRUARY 2010, at 7.30 pm in ECCLESTON VILLAGE HALL, Kiln Lane, Eccleston

PRESENT: Cllr G Pearl (Chair)
Cllrs Bain, Broughton, D Evans, Maloney, C Pearl
CSO L Rowling
Mrs L Scott (Clerk)

APOLOGIES: Cllrs Duncan, S Evans, Gray-Williams, Skepper & Sims

COUNCILLOR CO-OPTION – WEST WARD

09.113 Deferred until March meeting.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

09.114 Cllr G Pearl declared an interest in 09.122 – Planning Applications.

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 12 JANUARY 2010

09.115 **Resolved that the Minutes be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.**

MATTERS ARISING

09.116 No matters brought up from the last Minutes.

RESIDENTS' ISSUES

09.117 Cllr Sims has visited residents who have complained about parking problems on Broadway caused by patients visiting the dental practice and requested the Clerk to ascertain whether the Parish Council would be agreeable to allowing the dental employees use of the Ecclesfield car park?
Resolved to give permission to the Dental Practice to use Ecclesfield Car Park for their employees.

POLICE REPORT

09.118 CSO Laura Rowling stated that Inspector Deborah Rayment gave her apologies for absence but would be attending the next meeting of the Parish Council. Laura began by comparing 1 January - 8 February 2009 with this year's figures and went on to update the meeting on current arrests.

Councillor Pearl invited questions.

ANNUAL MAGAZINE

09.119 The Clerk reminded Councillors that articles were required by the end of February 2010. Quotes for delivery have been obtained from Rendezvous Distribution £264.38 and Pb Distribution £270.00.

Resolved to ask Pb Distribution to deliver this year's Magazine

PAT TESTING

09.120 Resolved to go ahead with the CVS offer of £1.50 per electrical item in the Village Hall.

REPORTS

09.121 Resolved to note the following:

Smithy Working Party – Councillors were given copies of the Curators' Report for January 2010 and February 2010. The following points were discussed:

- **Forthcoming exhibitions**
- **Volunteers**
- **Grant money purchases**
- **CRB checks for Vicky Hiron and future volunteers**

St Helens Link (Local Involvement Network) – Cllr Maloney attended an event - 'Beat the January Blues' - at the Deafness Resource Centre, St Helens, on 28 January 2010. Various agencies were there to provide information and advice.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

09.122 Resolved to note the following:

Delegated

Willowbrook Hosp	Single storey day therapy annexe to rear – N/O
18 Ansdell Dr	Rear Conservatory – N/O
24 Howards Lane	Single storey rear ext, side conservatory, canopy to front and hard-standing to front garden – N/O
60 Forest Grove	Erection of 2-storey & single-storey rear ext – N/O
Scholes Playing Fld	Re-submission of P/2009/1102 for provision of play area – N/O
38 Pike House Rd	Single storey pitched roof side & rear ext with porch – N/O
66 Ecclesfield Rd	Single storey side ext, front porch & 2 nd storey above kitchen - Query sufficient off-street parking

ACCOUNTS

09.123 Received Hall Hire £220.00; R Kelsey PAYE £68.20; Villa Rainhill FC £440.00; Bank Interest £3.34; Awards for All £9,725.00; Victorian Christmas Event £1,250.00

British Gas – February	188.00
Manweb – February - rise of £53.00*	157.00
United Utilities – February	13.60
St Helens Council – Cleaning January	255.20
St Helens Council – January Rates	100.00
J Chamberlain – Salary February & Victorian Christmas Event fee	440.13
V Hiron – Salary February & Victorian Christmas Event fee	440.13
L Poole - Salary – February	395.42
L Scott – Salary February includes £9.60 travel expenses	1113.60
L Scott – purchase of printer (includes VAT)	31.49
L Scott – Petty Cash February	20.00
PAYE – Curators February (Cumulative £300 2 nd month Period 4)	220.00
PAYE – Clerk February (Cumulative £552 2 nd month period 4)	276.00
EPC NI contribution – Clerk February (Cumulative £231.42 2 nd month period 4)	115.71

EPC NI contribution – Curators	19.16
PAYE – Ecclesfield Caretaker – February (£136.40 2 nd month period 4 - £2 from Jan)	70.20
B&M - extra copies Invoice 122575	8.63
B&M – Annual Service Support Inv 123816	11.52
BT – Clerk’s Phone & Internet	106.52
BT – Smithy Phone & Internet	113.57
PHS – Village Hall Sanitation	149.50
CFAF Ltd – Photocopier Lease	99.87
Ecclesfield Project – Villa Rainhill FC pitch hire payment (made out to EPC)	440.00

Balance brought forward from January meeting £30,523.00 plus receipts this month
£42,229.54

Total Payments this month **£4,785.25**
Approximate balance **£37,444.29**

□ **Resolved that the Clerk contacts Scottish Power querying this rise**

RECONCILIATION - The Clerk reported that, as at 29 January 2010, the Balance in the Current Account was £6,500, Reserve Account £27,487.25 and Capital Reserve Account £463.40. Members of the Finance Sub-Committee were given copies of the monthly Reconciliation for January 2010.

INTERNAL AUDIT – Accounts for the 3rd quarter have been examined with “nothing to report”. A copy of the Internal Auditor’s Report was also given to Finance Sub-Committee Members.

PETTY CASH - Expenditure for the month of January 2010 £10.50
Approximate balance at the end of January 2010 £12.41

Cllr Broughton joined the meeting

CORRESPONDENCE

09.124 Resolved to note the following:

St Helens Council – Agenda & Mins for Eccleston Ward Committee Meeting

Paul Potter – request for money for plants before Easter and trees close to telephone wires –
Resolved to ask him to wait until end of April. Paul is to be asked what work is required of the trees.

DATES OF MEETINGS

09.125 Resolved to note the following:

Tues 2 March 10	7.00 pm	Ecclesfield	Village Hall
Tues 9 March 10	6.45 pm	Smithy Meeting	St James
	7.30 pm	Parish Council	St James

The meeting closed at 8.35 pm.

SIGNED

DATED