

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ECCLESTON PARISH COUNCIL, held on TUESDAY 9 MARCH 2010, at 7.30 pm in ST JAMES'S CHURCH HALL, St Helens Road, Eccleston Park

PRESENT: Cllr G Pearl (Chair)
Cllrs Broughton, Duncan, S Evans, Gray-Williams, Maloney, C Pearl, Sims & Watmough
Mrs L Scott (Clerk)

APOLOGIES: Cllrs Bain, D Evans, Skepper, CSO L Rowling

COUNCILLOR CO-OPTION – WEST WARD

09.126 Ruth Watmough was co-opted as a Parish Councillor on West Ward. Cllr Pearl and Parish Councillors welcomed Ruth to the Parish Council.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

09.127 Cllr G Pearl declared at interest in 09.134 – Planning Applications.

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 9 FEBRUARY 2010

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

MATTERS ARISING

09.129 09.120 – PAT TESTING. The test has been completed with 3 failures being reported. Both cabinets in the Education Room and the kitchen urn need attention.

Resolved to arrange for an electrician to inspect the 3 items and report back.

RESIDENTS' ISSUES

09.130 There were no reported Residents' issues.

POLICE REPORT

09.131 The Police were unable to send a representative to the meeting due to staff shortages. Lisa Skidmore e-mailed a report showing the crime figures for the last month. These were copied and given to Parish Councillors.

ANNUAL MAGAZINE FORMAT

09.132 The Clerk reported that the Magazine was now in the process of being printed. She stated that we had received information from the compiler of Local Life which will be delivered in the Eccleston area every 6 weeks. This may be a way of informing residents of the work of the Parish Council in future. They require 300 words for each edition.

Resolved to defer this item until next month and request a copy of the publication.

REPORTS

09.133 Resolved to note the following:

Ecclesfield Management Committee - a meeting of the Ecclesfield Management Committee was held on Tuesday 2 March in the Village Hall when the following items were discussed:

- Youth Opportunities grant
- Problems with doors being left open
- Bleak Hill representative liaising with St Helens re pitch marking
- Copies of Budget for 2010/2011 given to Councillors
- Late payment of pitch fees by one club
- Next meeting date changed to Thursday 3 June 2010

Smithy Working Party – Councillors were given copies of the Curators' Report for March 2010. Apologies were received from Joanne Chamberlain, Vicky Hirons and Rose Tyler. In their absence, Councillors discussed the following:

- **Forthcoming Exhibitions**
- **Awards for All Purchases**
- **Lack of Annual Magazine article**
- **CRB check for V Hirons**
- **Failure of PAT test on Education Room cabinets**

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

09.134 Resolved to note the following:

Delegated

4 Middlehurst Cl Woodland 32 32 & 48 Park Ave	Demolish conservatory & erect single storey rear ext – N/O Erection of 2 detached dwellings & 1 detached bungalow – Object to loss of woodland area & protected trees. Design bland & does not fit with properties in the area plus over-development of site
26 Old Lane Clay Lane Farm	Rear Conservatory – N/O Replacement stone slates to front slope of roof – N/O
Methodist Church	Re-submission of plan for demolition of church & erection of 7 residential houses – Public meeting arranged 15 March 2010
Mere View Farm	Ext to house to form garden room, enlarged bedroom window & balcony alterations – N/O
6 Orchard Close	2-storey side ext, front porch & single storey rear ext - ? architectural imbalance & overbearing effect on neighbouring properties plus concern over additional vehicle traffic in very small cul-de-sac

CPRE MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

09.135 Resolved to renew the CPRE Membership for the year 2010/2011.

DATES OF MEETINGS

09.139 **Resolved to note the following:**

Tues 13 April	7.00 pm	Smithy Meeting	Village Hall
	7.30 pm	Parish Council	Village Hall
Tues 27 April	7.30 pm	Annual Parish Meeting	Village Hall

The meeting closed at 8.04 pm.

SIGNED

DATED