

**Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 24th May 2010 in the
Village Hall at 7.30 p.m.**

- Apologies: None.
- Present: Mr E. G. Ascroft (Chairman), Mr J. Peal (Vice Chairman),
Mrs J. Murray, Mr J. Murray.
- Also in attendance were Mr P. Jackson and
Mr L. Johnson.
- Declarations
of interest: None.
- Minutes: The minutes of the meeting of 22nd February 2010 were
read. It was agreed unanimously that they were an
accurate record and signed by the Chairman accordingly.
- Matters arising:
- Planning App.
112 High Street: The Council noted that HDC's Development Management
Panel meeting of 19th April 2010 had granted planning
permission for the construction of the timber workshop for
use in the occupier's dog grooming business. The
consent was "subject to the imposition of appropriate
conditions as the use was acceptable, the building was of
acceptable appearance in the Conservation Area and not
in conflict with current policies".
- Cotton Farm
Wind Farm: The Clerk provided an update on the progress of the
Planning Inquiry which had commenced on 18th May to
consider nPower's appeal against the rejection of their
application by HDC. The appeal is scheduled to finish on
2nd June with the decision expected by the end of July.
- Replacement
of Notice Boards: The Clerk advised that Mr Jackson had received a verbal
quotation from Mr Hamilton-Rimmer of £670 which
seemed competitive given that indicative prices from a
number of internet suppliers were all of the order of £800.
The Chairman reminded the Council that a written

quotation was required and Mr Jackson agreed to contact Mr Hamilton-Rimmer to obtain one.

Flooding near
cricket field:

The Clerk was requested to clarify with the Parish Paths Partnership representative whether any application for drainage improvements had been made.

Potholes:

The Clerk was requested to report the potholes in the road to the eastern approach to the village.

PC Election & Co-option of members

The Clerk advised he had confirmed with Mr Amiss, HDC's Returning Officer, that it was desirable to fill the vacant places on the Council as soon as was practical. Mr Jackson and Mr Johnson had both indicated their willingness to re-join the Council. It was proposed by Mrs Murray, seconded by Mr Peal and carried unanimously that they be co-opted. Declarations of acceptance of office were then signed enabling their participation in the rest of the business of the meeting.

The Council then discussed filling the vacant seat and although several possible nominees were identified, the Clerk was requested to arrange for the vacancy to be advertised via the website and notice board.

121 High Street – Application 1000473LBC for Listed Building Consent

The proposals and plans for the replacement of the existing, unapproved uPVC windows installed at the property with more appropriate wooden sash windows were viewed and discussed. It was proposed by Mr Peal, seconded by Mr Murray and carried unanimously that the application be recommended for acceptance as the intended replacement windows were considered to be more in keeping with the original specification and appearance of the property.

Cotton Farm Wind Farm

The salient developments had already been dealt with under the matters arising from the last meeting.

Accounts to pay

The following accounts were passed for payment, proposed by Mr J. Murray, seconded by Mr P. Woodhouse and carried unanimously.

- CPALC – Annual affiliation fees - £88.24
- Moore Stephens – Annual audit fees - £58.75
- Clerk's salary 2009/2010 - £500.00

Correspondence

The Clerk advised that;

1. A letter had been received from HDC asking for the Council's willingness to receive planning application information electronically to speed up the process. It was agreed that this should be agreed to and the Clerk was requested to notify HDC accordingly.
2. A letter had been received HDC inviting applications for improvements under the Joint Funded Minor Improvement Scheme by 20th August 2010.

Any Other Business

The Clerk noted that both applications made under the Joint Funded Minor Improvement Scheme last year had failed as their costs exceeded the £35,000 expense threshold so there was no point resubmitting these without modification. The Chairman suggested that HDC might be contacted as to how applications for major developments could be progressed within the guidelines.

The meeting closed at 8.00 p.m.