

PARISH of Endon with Stanley

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held at Endon Methodist Church on Tuesday 13 July 2010 at 7.00pm

Present: Couns C. Jebb (Chairman), Sambrook, H. Jebb, Harris, Durose, Cartlidge, Williamson (late), Harrison, Perkin, Sargeant, Barlow, Simcock

Clerk: R Sherwin

9 members of the public

<u>Item No.</u>	<u>Detail</u>	<u>Action</u>
36.	Apologies for Absence Couns: Shackleton	
37.	Declarations of Interest Cllrs C Jebb and H Jebb declared an interest in Planning Application 10/00501/Ful as they are next door neighbours They also declared an interest in minute 43 item 8 cheque payment Cllr Harrison declared an interest in Planning Application 10/00455/Ful as she knows the applicant	
38.	Chairman's Remarks The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting. She then mentioned the passing of John Bourne's (temporary clerk) wife. She said that she would send a card on behalf of the council expressing sympathy.	CJ
39.	Severn Trent Presentation The chairman introduced Lisa Stewart and Becky Fuller both from Staffordshire County Council and Miles Leslie and Helen Fee both from Severn Trent Water. The meeting was informed that a sewer in the A53 was in poor condition and needed replacement. The work was currently scheduled for next summer unless the situation deteriorated, when the date would have to be brought forward. The work would involve road closure for 3 to 4 weeks with considerable disruption to traffic flows. Severn Trent and SCC agreed to keep the council informed as major milestones occurred in the planning process. They also agreed to write short updates for the parish newsletter to keep residents informed.	

40. **Public Forum**

Mrs Wilton

Questioned why the situation had been allowed to happen. She was told that the age of the pipes played a major part in the issue.

K Marshall

Asked whether the ground was strong enough to support the new pipes or whether they would also crack. He was told that current indications confirmed that the bed was sufficiently strong to withstand the work.

Mr Marshall went on to report the poor state of repair of St George's Avenue. Cllr C Jebb said she raise the issue with Highways.

CJ

41. **Minutes of a meeting held on 8 June 2010**

The minutes of the meeting held on **8th June 2010** were passed as a correct record and signed.

42. **Matters arising from the Meeting of 8 June 2010 not on agenda**

Footpath Markers

Cllr Harris reported that progress was slow noting that FPs 4 & 6 were overgrown.

Cllr C Jebb said she would see what could be done to clear them.

CJ

Parking Issues

Councillor H Jebb had raised the issue at the Safer Routes for Schools meeting but added that there were no easy solutions.

The Chairman read out a letter which had been received from Endon High School.

A number of alternatives were discussed and it was agreed that the clerk should arrange a meeting with the Head Teacher and appropriate users to discuss the matter. Cllrs C Jebb, Sambrook, Durose agreed to attend and Cllr Shackleton would also be invited.

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White Lines near lay-by

The chairman read out an e-mail from SCC stating that the survey would now be done when a road closure was announced.

Cllr Williamson made vigorous comment on the delay in achieving progress.

The chairman said that she would continue to put the council's views before the County Highways department.

CJ

43. **Accounts and Expenses**

Bank Account Changes

The clerk advised that HMRC had now set a deadline of 2012 for the receipt of VAT payments on-line.

He advised that the council should begin to investigate on-line banking.

The council decided to take no action for the time being

Resolved: that the following be paid:

Payments

		<u>Cheque</u> <u>No</u>
1. Mr R Sherwin – salary	£541.17	102692
2. PAYE + NIC	£196.90	102693
3. B Machin (Swings/Litter)	£70.00	102694
4. J Gibson – DC Litter	£32.90	102986
5. J Gibson – PC Litter picking & grass cutting	£621.53	102698
6. J Gibson – Lengthsman’s scheme	£366.60	102698
7. J Gibson – Lawn Cemetery	£240.33	102698
8. C Jebb (McAfee anti virus software)	£51.99	102695
9. St Luke’s School (re BKV)	£30.00	102696
10. Endon Hall School(re BKV)	£30.00	102697
11. Hacking Ashton (solicitors)	£199.75	102699

44. **Finance sub-group report**

Scouts contribution to roadway

The council agreed that an invoice for the first two payments of £100 each should be raised to the Scout group. Three further payments will follow on 30/6/11, 30/6/12 and 30/6/13

RS

The council also agreed to send a short note advising that grant aid would not be appropriate until the debt is settled

RS

Cllr V Harris abstained from both votes.

Hearing Centre contribution to roadway

The council agreed that a letter should be sent to Mr Bradshaw advising that unless the full amount (approx £800) was paid within 7 days action would be taken in the small claims court.

RS

Cllr H Jebb abstained from the vote

Grant Procedures

Following a short discussion, the council agreed that the deadline for this years grant awards should be 31/10/10. This would be suitably advertised in the newsletter and on the notice boards.

RS

Planting the Garden outside the Parish Office

The council agreed that two further quotes should be obtained (from J Gibson and S Pointon) to supplement Cllr Barlow’s quote, before deciding on the way forward.

RS

Cllr Barlow abstained from the vote

45. **Subgroups**

Representation

Cllr Durose noted that Mr Alan Morris had been nominated as the council's representative on Endon Well Trustees.

With this amendment the sub-groups representation was agreed.

Governor vacancy

No one present wanted to take the position of Governor of Endon Hall Primary School. The clerk would ask Cllrs Shackleton and Wilcox if they wished to take the position.

RS

46. **Playground Working group**

Goal posts

Copestakes had been contacted by the clerk to complete their current work on the notice boards before further work was commissioned. They had failed to act.

RS

The notice board at Highview was now in a similar state to the Station Road notice board (front had fell out). The board at the Fountain had rusted closed.

Cllr Barlow agreed to contact them to see what could be done.

RB

Painting

The clerk advised that the Lengthsman had finished some of the work and the rest would be completed as soon as possible

RS

New notice board at Hillswood

The fixing of the board was immanent.

RS

Hillswood fencing

Cllr H Jebb read out a letter from Mrs Whiting's solicitor stating that the Parish Council would be expected to bear all reasonable legal expenses incurred, despite the outcome.

The clerk was asked to write to confirm what costs were likely to be incurred and to enquire whether the matter was worth pursuing.

RS

47. **Planning**

The following applications were discussed:

1.1. 10/00501/FUL – 44 Kenley Avenue, Endon

Single storey rear and side front extension

No Objection

1.2. 10/00455/FUL – 3 Hillside Avenue, Endon

Single Storey Rear and side extn, pitched roof, bay window and detached garage

No Objection

1.3. 10/00488/FUL - Springbank Farm, Clay Lake, Endon

Conversion of barn to residential annex

No Objection

1.4. 10/00460/FUL – Hallwater House, Hallwater, Endon

Single Storey Side extn and glazed link to summer house

No Objection

1.5. 10/00537/PNOT – *Telecoms base station, Brown Edge Installation of 3 new antennas and 1 equipment cabinet*

No Objection

48. **Best Kept Village**

Cllr C Jebb gave a report on the progress of the initiative.

She thanked all who had given their active support to the work and commented that two children had won awards for their posters from the Community Council of Staffordshire.

The schools were very pleased with their certificates and were already planning for next year's competition.

Results Day

Cllrs Barlow and Harrison agreed to represent the council at the awards ceremony

RB/JH

49. **Station Road Playing Field**

Cllr Sambrook reported on work to date but added that the work to strengthen the fence next to Mrs Rowley's boundary had not yet been done.

This would be the subject of a further quotation which would be considered by the council.

JS

50. **Councillor Vacancy**

The Council agreed to invite the applicant, Mrs Sillitoe, to attend at 6.45pm, prior to the next meeting, so that she could give a short presentation of her experience.

RS

A vote for her cooption would then be taken at the meeting.

RS

Cllr Cartlidge voted against this method of cooption

51. **Newsletter**

The clerk was asked to get costs for an extra page in the newsletter

RS

52. **Reports**

Cllr Harris noted that some residents were asking for a Grit bin in Mayfair Grove for next winter – next agenda

RS

She also noted that Japanese Knotweed was growing in the hedge of the well dressing field.

Cllr H. Jebb commented that SMDC had now taken over responsibility for the community chest fund and community groups are now invited to submit applications for small amounts of funding to their district councillors.

He also asked if the next agenda could include a safer routes to schools

item.

Cllr Durose raised the subject of youths climbing onto the roof near Station Road playing fields in Orford Road.

It was also reported that the final meeting of the neighbourhood forum would take place on July 26th

RS

Meeting closed at 9.45pm

Minutes approved at a meeting of the Council held on Tuesday 10th August 2010

Signed by the Chairman _____

Dated _____