

HEAPEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of Meeting held 1 September 2009 at 7.30 pm in the White Coppice Rooms, St Barnabas Church, Heapey.

Present J Berry (Chair), P Church, J Geddes, M Osborne, J Ross-Mills.

Also Present Borough Councillor M Gray.

09.55 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillor D Berry.

09.56. Disclosure of Personal/Prejudicial Interests

None declared.

09.57 Minutes of Meeting held 7 July 2009

Resolved: the Minutes (as circulated) be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

09.58 Public Participation

i) Police Report

No report.

ii) Borough Councillors

No report.

iii) Residents Points of Interest

Reports of speeding vehicles on Kenyon Lane had been received.

09.59 Financial Matters

Resolved: the financial update be received and accepted and signed by the Chairman.

The appointment of a replacement authorised signatory for the bank mandate was considered.

Resolved: Cllr J Berry be added to the mandate as an authorised signatory.

Councillors considered requests for payment to the Council.

Resolved: the following payments be approved.

£ 15.00	Heapey Parish Church	Room hire
£ 367.42	Employee 1	Salary
£ 91.80	Inland Revenue	Income tax
£ 155.25	BDO Stoy Hayward	Audit fee

09.60 Planning Matters

09/00642/FUL Demolition of existing porch and garage. Erection of replacement porch and garage with link extension at 2 Warth Cottages, Coppice Lane, White Coppice.

The Parish Council had previously objected to the original application and Councillors had no further comments relating to this resubmitted application.

09.61 Annual return for the Year Ended 31 March 2009

Councillors considered the report of the External Auditor and the finalised Annual Return.

Resolved: the Annual Return be accepted and approved.

09.62 Chorley Council's Section 106 Distribution Policy

Councillors considered the proposed policy on the distribution of S106 monies, which are levied by planning authorities, on most new houses built.

Resolved: the policy be endorsed.

09.63 Local Development Framework - Community Survey

Areas of land suitable for uses other than housing or commercial development were discussed. Cllr Geddes, as a neighbouring resident to Black Lion Field, declared a personal interest in a part of this item.

Resolved: the land between Millennium Way and Ryecroft and the disused railway track sections be submitted as area for recreational space and Black Lion Field as allotment land.

09.64 Heapey and Wheelton Play Area Trust

The Council had been asked to provide an additional Trustee. Cllr Church will consider becoming a trustee and requested further information. This will be requested at the joint meeting with Wheelton Parish Council on 7 September.

09.65 Councillor/Employee Relations Protocol

A voluntary protocol, drafted by the Monitoring Officer on behalf of Chorley Council's Standards Committee, was considered.

Resolved: the Councillor/Employee Relations Protocol be adopted.

09.66 Victoria Street Area, Wheelton - Proposed Waiting Restrictions

Lancashire County Council's proposals for waiting restrictions were considered. Councillors felt there would be less congestion if the restrictions were extended slightly to take in the bus stop outside 211 Blackburn Road. The area in front of the Red Lion was also mentioned as parked vehicles are obstructing the pavement.

Resolved: a request be made to extend the restrictions at 211 Blackburn Road to allow buses to pull in at the bus stop.

09.67 North West Plan Partial Review

Councillors considered a consultation on the Submitted Draft Plan. Councillors are to advise the Clerk of observations for submission.

09.68 Reports from Outside Bodies

Chorley Council Standards Committee has reviewed the Councillors Registers of Interest.

Borough Parish Liaison - Chorley Council's S106 monies distribution policy was presented. Weed spraying is to be carried out 4 times per year.

Lancashire Local - As part of a scheme to reduce carbon emissions streetlighting is to be upgraded and power reduced when possible.

The Clerk attended a Clerks Meeting, with the Chief Executive and Senior Officers of Chorley Council. Items discussed included the possible introduction of a Service Level Agreement, Neighbourhood Working Scheme, planning issues and the bidding process for s106 funds.

09.69. Date of Next meeting

Tuesday 3 November 2009 at 7.30pm.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed.

..... (Chairman)