

## HEAPEY PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES** of Meeting held 7 September 2010 at 7.30 pm in St Barnabas Church, Heapey.

Present Cllrs J Ross-Mills (Chairman), M Allen, D Berry, C Grunstein.

Also Present Borough Councillor M Gray.

### 10.58 Election of Chairman

Councillors elected a chairman for the meeting.

Resolved: Cllr Ross-Mills be elected as Chairman for this meeting.

The Chairman welcomed Cllrs Allen and Grunstein to the Council.

### 10.59 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillors J Berry and M Osborne.

### 10.60 Disclosure of Personal/Prejudicial Interests

None declared.

### 10.61 Minutes of Meeting held 6 July 2010

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

Resolved: Standing Orders be suspended to allow members of the public to speak.

### 10.62 Public Participation

#### i) Police Report

No report.

#### ii) Borough Councillors

Chorley Council has agreed £33000, towards improvements to the Heapey and Wheelton Play Area, from the Play and Recreation Fund.

#### iii) Residents Points of Interest

A resident reported the river in White Coppice was obstructed by weeds and other vegetation, including Himalayan Balsam.

Resolved: Standing Orders be restored.

### 10.63 Financial Matters

Councillors considered requests for payment to the Council.

Resolved: the following payments be approved.

£ 15.00	Heapey Parish Church	Room hire
£ 92.80	Inland Revenue	Income tax
£ 370.98	Employee 1	Salary
£ 158.63	BDO LLP	Audit fee
£ 1090.61	Lancashire County Council	Power supply pillar
£ 339.33	Chorley Council	Election fee

### 10.64 Planning Matters

Councillors discussed a consultation regarding a Proposed Interim Policy for Private Residential Garden Development aimed at preventing large scale garden developments.

Resolved: the Council's support for the proposals be submitted.

10/00619/ADV Erection of noticeboard to display information for residents at 25 Ryefield.

Councillors had no comments to make in respect of the application.

#### 10.65 Annual Return for the Year Ended 31 March 2010

The report of the External Auditor was presented.

Resolved: the Annual Return be accepted and approved.

#### 10.66 Lancashire County Council School Transport Consultation

A consultation regarding the withdrawal of travel subsidies for denominational schools pupils was discussed. Councillors had no comments.

#### 10.67 Community Engagement

Due to the absence of Cllr Berry, who tabled the item, this item was deferred to a future meeting.

#### 10.68 Heapey and Wheelton Parish Plan

Due to the absence of Cllr Berry, who tabled the item, this item was deferred to a future meeting.

#### 10.69 Flowers/Planting

Councillors considered additional planting within the parish. Permission has been obtained to plant in the verge by the Boatyard.

Resolved: Blue Crocuses and Snowdrops up to a value of £350 be purchased

#### 10.70 Christmas Tree

The power supply pillar is installed and further requirements for the Christmas tree at Heapey Chase were discussed. A further electrical connection, including a timer, will be required, as will Christmas lights and some form of fence

Resolved: soft white LED lights costing £303 and a mount for the tree costing £305.00 be purchased.

#### 10.71 Appointment of Representatives to Outside Bodies

Resolved: the following appointments be made:

Heapey and Wheelton Play Area Working Group - Cllr C Grunstein

Heapey and Wheelton Village Hall Committee - Cllr M Allen

#### 10.72 Reports from Outside Bodies

Chorley Council Clerks Meeting discussed issues relating to the devolution of services from County Council, improvements in the street cleaning regime, improved recycling, a play and open space strategy and the Play and Recreation Fund.

The Lancashire County Council Champion for Parishes attended the Borough Parish Liaison Meeting. Devolved services, locality working and speed indicator devices were discussed.

#### 10.73 Date of Next meeting

Councillors considered rescheduling the November meeting to avoid a clash with a Chorley Council meeting.

Resolved: the meeting be held on Monday 1 November 2010 at 7.30pm.

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

..... (Chairman)