

PARISH COUNCIL OF HILLESLEY AND TRESHAM MINUTES

Meeting held at Talbot Court Farm Barn on Wednesday 8th June 2011

Present: Cllr D Darlow (Chair), Cllr A Clark , Cllr T Burden, Cllr S Butcher, Cllr R Harlow, Cllr C Halpin, L Spratling (Parish Clerk)

In attendance: Cllr J. Cordwell (County), Cllr P Hemming (District) and 1 member of the public

1. Apologies for absence: Cllr A Doughty - accepted

2. Declarations of interest: None

Public Participation:

- Richard Goodenough gave an overview of the Village Hall Fund finances Total assets £11,598) and the fund-raising events held in the last financial year. He also commented on the state of the surface of the road to Wotton under Edge between Alderley & Wortley
- Cllr C Halpin had received a query re possible trimming or felling of trees down Well Hill.
- **Action Points:** Cllr D Darlow agreed to check Parish Council papers relating to Well Hill. JC also agreed to check Council papers to establish ownership of land concerned.
- Concern raised by one constituent over dog howling in Hillesley. Advised that Environmental Health may be able to address this issue, but that it would not be appropriate for Parish Council to take any action

3. Minutes of the last meeting: The minutes of the 11th May were approved, and signed by the Chair. Action Point for Cllr A Clark re Highways completed.

4. Clerk's Report:

- Grass Cutting: A letter of thanks has been sent to Mr Raines, thanking him for his excellent work on the War Memorial area. The Clerk has requested 2 potential grass cutters to submit tenders and awaits responses
- Allotments : **Action Point** – Cllr D Darlow to approach last remaining allotment holder to submit their rent to the Clerk.

5. Correspondence & documents:

- A grant of £350 was agreed for Tresham Church. Cheque to be paid later in the year
- Boundary Commission Review – **Action Point** – Cllr D Darlow to send additional feedback
- Bus Review – no actions
- Funding opportunities – **Action Point** - The Clerk to contact Barbara Pond and Steve Hayward with details in case the Playing Field committee can take advantage of funding opportunities - Completed

6. Planning Applications:

- a. Decisions received:
 - [S.11/0653/HHOLD](#) - Pleasant View, High Street, Hillesley.
Refusal
- b. Applications dealt with under Delegated Powers:
 - [S.11/0951/FUL](#) Hillesley Church Of England Primary School Kilcot Road,
Neither support nor object
- c. Consultation on new Applications: **None**

7. Finance:

- a. Performance. Agreed no actions. **Action Point** - Clerk to send 11/12 Budget spreadsheet to CH
- b. To approve payments - Approved - £50.00 to Lloyds Bank (Payee Hillesley & Tresham Parish Council) to open a new Bank Account

8. Parish Plan Update:

Cllr R Harlow confirmed that he would act as Lead Councillor for Footpaths and Dog Fouling.

No reports or issues from any Lead Councillors

Action Point: Cllr A Clark to attend inaugural meeting of Oil Buying Group on 14/7

Action Point: Clerk to ask that Cllr A Clark is added to E Mail distribution list - Completed

9. Wind Turbine update:

Clerk gave update on meeting at site visit to Folly Farm

Councillors encouraged to attend Public Exhibition display at Kingswood Village Hall on Saturday

25th June 10.00am to 4.00pm.

10. Highways, Footpaths and Waterways:

No issues or actions

11. County and District Councillor Reports:

John Cordwell – County Councillor

Electoral Boundary Review of Gloucestershire County Council

The Boundary Commission published its Draft Recommendations on 24th May. These continue to support a reduction in the number of councillors from 63 to 53.

In their report the Commission refer to the new Wotton-under-Edge division reflecting “transport and communications links within the division.” I have asked the Commission’s Review Officer to identify these and also what shared community identity they had discovered – and on which their report is silent. I have also made a formal complaint to the Commission.

County Council Cabinet size

At the last County Council meeting, and in the press, the council’s leader announced he was reducing the size of the Cabinet from 10 to 8, but at the same time creating 5 new “Cabinet Project Champions” who would each have a special responsibility allowance roughly amounting in total to the allowance received by one cabinet member. The matter is going to the Constitution Committee and then to full Council.

Paul Hemmings- District Councillor

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12. Training:

Action Point: Clerk asked to check future dates for Chairmanship training – completed and passed to Cllr A Clark

Date of Next Meeting: 7.30pm Wednesday 6th July at Hopkins Hall, Hillesley

Meeting closed at 9.15pm

I certify that the above minutes are a correct record of the above meeting

Signed:

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Date:

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