

COTTINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Action

A meeting of the Parish Council was held on Wednesday 5th January 2011 at the Village Hall Annexe, Berryfield Road, Cottingham, commencing at 7.30 pm.

PRESENT - Cllrs Bowman (Chairman), Davies, Davison, Mrs. Irene Beadsworth, Hudson, Swallow, Ashworth, Mrs. Pam Moore. P.T.Taylor (Clerk), Mr. Bob Riley and PC Andy Mclane.

1. Apologies for Absence & Acceptance were received from Cllrs. Muir and Heggs (NCC/CBC) and were accepted.
2. Declaration of Interest for Items on Agenda - Cllrs. Mrs. Pam Moore and Mrs. Irene Beadsworth declared an interest in Item 11.
3. To Approve and Sign Minutes of Previous Meeting Dated 1st December 2010 - It was proposed by Cllr. Davies and seconded by Cllr. Mrs. Pam Moore that the minutes be accepted as a true record.
4. Matters Arising from Previous Minutes (Information Only) - The Clerk drew attention to Action Sheet 6 with particular reference to -
 - a) May 2010(13) - Tree guards to be resolved when survey considered by Cllr. Davison
 - b) June 2010(8) - Works in Bancroft Road - only partially completed by CBC.
 - c) Dec 2010 (8b) - Overgrown Hedges - Corby Road - Clerk to ring landowner before 8th Jan '11.
14. Constabulary Matters - PC Andy Mclane was welcomed by the Chairman. The officer commented on the new police structure and on the four reported crimes in the village. The Council expressed its appreciation to PCSO Mark Tooley and Nathan Murray for the excellent organisation surrounding the walk to the crib.
5. Public Participation -

At this point the Chairman opened the meeting for public participation

Mr. Bob Riley raised the issue of the sewerage disposal problem in the Welland View Road area. The Clerk agreed to pursue, together with a similar problem in The Gardens, East Carlton.

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6. Youth Matters/Youth Club - Cllr. Swallow reported on the success in raising funds and on how these would be spent on the Youth Club, football and on certain individuals. The Council asked that an invitation be extended to Mr. Lloyd Davies (CBC) to discuss further his offers of assistance. Clerk

7. Planning - No reports to consider.

8. Highways, Footpaths, Road Safety & Transport -

a) Road Safety Report - Cllr. Davies circulated details of the latest developments which included a completion date of 31st January for new 30 m.p.h. signs in Corby Road and Rockingham Road. The councillor commented on the proposed meeting with the Highways Authority this month to discuss traffic calming in Corby Road.

b) Parking on Verges - Councillors were unanimous in their view that the problem was getting worse and asked for proper consideration be given to possible remedies, e.g. byelaws and notices. Clerk

9. Representational Matters -

a) Quality Council Status - The meeting to be held on this matter was replaced with a Finance Committee Meeting (13th December 2010).

b) Village Plan - No report.

c) Welcome Pack - No report.

d) Sale of Land Rear Garage - A lengthy discussion took place on how to bring about a satisfactory conclusion to this issue. It was agreed that professional advice be sought on the options and cost of reinstating the supporting wall. Clerk

e) Rural Area Forum (16th December 2010) - The Clerk agreed to circulate the draft minutes. Clerk

f) Standards Board - Cllr. Davison, in his capacity of Parish Representative on the Standards Committee, informed the Council that arising from Central Government's decision to abolish the Board, the Borough Council had yet to decide how the function of monitoring councillors should be carried out.

10. Village Maintenance - No report.

11. Finance -

a) To pass a Resolution to approve payments to be made as per Schedule circulated

<u>No.</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Details</u>	<u>Amount(£)</u>
981	Alliance & Leics	Gratuity Contribution	1,500.00
982	Cott & Mid Youth Club	Reimburse - Cheque Rec'd	265.00
983	Cott/Mid VHMC	Hall Hire (3/11/10)	11.00

11. Finance (continued)

984	Desboro' Baptist	Photocopying	7.32
985	RBS Tree Services	Survey - The Dale	705.00
986	St. Mary Mag Church	Churchyard Maint. - Contribution	300.00
987	Steve Morphy	Village Maintenance	155.00

The Council resolved that the payments be made.

b) Balances were given as -

(Gratuity) Alliance & Leicester	£18,942.83
90 Day Account	now closed
Investment Account	£11,053.44
Current Account	£1,708.14

c) Income Details - None received.

d) Budget Monitoring (2010/2011) - The Clerk presented his report which showed that expenditure would be kept within budget. However it was agreed that a contribution of £1,500.00 be made to the Clerk's Gratuity Fund which would leave a current shortfall of £697.12. In addition the sum of £1,000.00 would be set aside against the request from St. Mary Magdalene Church's request for financial support to extend the burial ground. These two items would be funded from savings on the Parks & Open Spaces budget.

e) Precept 2011/2012 - The Council considered the recommendations of the Finance Committee (13th December 2010) and it was resolved to include £500.00 to part fund the 5th May 2011 elections and the balance of £1,071.00 to be spread over future years. The precept was formally agreed at £16,364.00 (5.69% increase).

f) Funding of Churchyard Maintenance - The Chairman reminded the Council of the presentation by Mr. Mike Beadsworth to the Council meeting on 1st December 2010. Arising from a recommendation by the Chairman it was agreed that, accompanied by the Clerk, a meeting be sought with the Chairman of Middleton Parish Council and Mr. Beadsworth to clarify what financial support is required.

Chairman

g) Section 137 of Local Govt. Act 1972 - The Council was informed that the relevant amount, per head of population, was now £6.15.

11. Finance (continued)

h) Cost of 5th May 2011 Parish Election - The Clerk advised the Council that the Borough Council had now fixed this at £`1,570.72.

i) Alliance & Leicester Account - The Council was informed that this account would be transferred to Santander.

12. Recreation Field - Cllr. Hudson agreed to remove bricks following damage to the side entrance wall to the Annexe.

13. The Dale - No report.

15. Correspondence Circulated December 2010

- * Promoting Local Elections (Rural Area Forum - 16th Dec 2010)
- * Establishment of No Cold Calling Zones (RAF - 16th Dec 2010)
- * Review of Policing Structure (Parish Council 1st Dec 2010)
- * Minutes - Middleton Parish Council (20th October 2010)
- * Minutes - Middleton Parish Council (17th November 2010)
- * Minutes - East Carlton Parish Council (1st November 2010)
- * Papers distributed @ East Midlands Empowerment Partnership

16. Date of Next Meeting - 2nd February 2011.

Signed a true record -

_____ (Chairman)

_____ (Clerk)

_____ (Date)