Minutes of a Parish Council meeting held at 7.45pm, in the Village Hall, St. Peter's on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> June2005.

**Present:** Chairman Mr R McFarlane, Cllr. Mr P. Thorlby, Mrs J. Knott, Mrs S. Mills, Mr D. Edgerton, Mrs P. Bunney.

**Apologies**: Cllr. R. Knight, The Worshipful Mayor of Worcester Mr A. Tarbuck.

- **47/05 Apologies for Absence:** Cllr. R. Knight's apology was accepted.
- **48/05 Declarations of Interest:** There were no declarations.
- 49/05 <u>Confirmation of Minutes:</u> The minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on 23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2005 were unanimously adopted...
- 50/05 <u>Information Items:</u> There were no City or County Councillors present. The Police Beat Manager and Community Safety Officer reported an improving situation in respect of the behaviour of the few young troublemakers, with no significant crimes.
- 51/05 Adjournment: The Chairman adjourned the meeting at this point to permit

Members of the St Peter's Youth Opportunity Group to present their urgent

concerns regarding a current shortage of funds. The Leader paid tribute to the

young Members and the vital need for the continuation of the Group within

the Community which, without funds may be impossible.

**52/05** Upon resumption of the Council meeting, Cllr. Thorlby proposed that

representatives of the Youth Opportunities Management Committee be asked

to produce at least a 2 year business plan, and to meet the Parish Council's

Finance Group, where a consideration could be given to making

recommendation to the Parish Council at its next meeting in July or later.

Council resolved to deal with this urgent issue accordingly.

#### 53/05 Local Facilities:

(a) In view of the withdrawal of some of the recycling facilities

Members

asked for the Parish Officer to do a mini survey of the locality, marking any likely sites for recycling facilities thereon. Cllr Mrs Bunney agreed that she would assist the Parish Officer in this task. It was thought that a repeat request to the Timberdine and Homebase might be worth considering, but it was pointed out that this had already been firmly rejected by them. The Clerk agreed to confer with Mike Harrison.

(b) The BT proposal to withdraw the pay-phone facility at Abbotsbury Court was

of considerable concern to the Members. PC. A. Hall reminded Council of the recent problems in this area and the vital need for public communication

facilities at this point, which had to be an over-riding priority in this consultation. It was unanimously agreed that the Vice Chairman would draft and co-ordinate official responses. A letter to OFCOM was also agreed to be necessary.

54/05 Planning Matters: There were no objections to consultations: PO5L0340, 16 Queenswood Drive, two storey rear extension. PO5L0289, 24 Arran Place, Convert garage to accommodation. Wychavon District Council, 20 Grasshopper Avenue, Conservatory.

# 55/05 <u>Accounts, Finance & Administrative Matters:</u> Members resolved to:

(a) To approve payment of PJ Workwear, protective trousers for tree warden work£
23.98.
Hire Centre (Worcs) reflective coats for staff£
70.46
Worcs City Council, pedway signage revised a/c
£4010.22
Dor 2 Dor, Newslink distribution£
116.00
IBSN, internal audit fee£
152.75
D. Edgerton, Tree Warden, e-mailer and exps£
30.30
W. Roberts, Parish Officer expenses£
90.54
Calc, annual subscriptions£
955.98

(b) To review the terms of reference in respect of the Tree Warden voluntary

duties carried out by a Councillor, as well as consulting the District Auditor

and the City Council's Remuneration Panel. To be included as an item on the

next agenda.

(c)) To confirm agreement of the renewal of CALC membership. (included as

an a/c paid) and in this connection to confirm Cllr. P. Thorby as the CALC

Executive Committee representative.

(d) Councillor Mrs. Bunney reported progress with a local school children's

campaign to prevent litter on routes to local Schools. It was proposed that the

children would participate in a competition to design a front cover for

Newslink, and a joint meeting with the schools in September would address a

specific area litter pick, a slogan competition, and other initiatives.

(e) It was resolved to progress the provision of a Parish Web Site to a

satisfactory conclusion with the local Company already concerned. It was

also agreed that Cllr Knight should contact a local resident who had

offered free web site design assistance.

#### 56/05 Environment & Amenity Matters:

(a) It was confirmed that Cllr Thorlby would pursue the proposed installation of

closed circuit television cameras, and would, in this connection, be contacting

local business proprietors.

## 57/05 <u>Administrative Matters:</u> It was resolved to invite the Worshipful Mayor

of Worcester, Cllr. Mr. A. Tarbuck, to the September meeting.

The Clerk reminded Members of the deadline in three days time for the next

issue of Newslink.

Consideration of a Schedule of Parish Council Meetings to be included in the

agenda of the next meeting was agreed.

# 58/05 $\,$ The agreed the date for the next meeting Monday $25^{\,\mathrm{th}}$ July 2005 .

Signed	.Chairman	<b>Date</b>
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