

St Peter the Great County Parish Council

Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 2nd November 2009 at 7.45 pm in the Village Hall, St Peters.

Present: Chairman: Cllr. R. MacFarlane, Cllrs. R. Fowler, P. Thorlby, A. White-Bower, G. Rowe, Mrs. J Chown,

Also Attending: A. Haines (Warden) Mr Ian Yates, Worcester City Council, R. Vernalls (Press).

6809 Apologies for Absence:

Cllrs. Rev D. Ballard, R. Knight, City Cllr. A. Tarbuck, County Cllr. M. Cairns,

6909 Declarations of Interest:

There were no declarations.

7009 Adoption of Minutes:

The minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 28th September 2009 were agreed and signed.

7109 Casual Vacancy: The Clerk reported that there had been no response to the obligatory casual vacancy notice inviting a request for an election. It was agreed that the Clerk would now seek nominations for co-option by way of a notice, with a fixed deadline of 12 noon on December 7th 2009.

7209 Short Information Reports:

- (a) Council approved a written and short verbal report from the St Peter's Warden and Mr I. Yates provided supportive information regarding maintenance arrangements.
- (b) The Chairman reported the great success of the Festival (23rd 24th, 25th October) and congratulated the team responsible. The team consisted of Cllr. Rev. Duncan Ballard, Rev. Martin Hodson, Dr Paul Sutton, Mr Max Allsup, Mr J Reynolds and the Clerk, R. O. Jenkins. The Chairman paid tribute to both Churches and the University of Worcester for their extremely valuable input.
- (c) The Councilors were sad to learn of an accident involving City Cllr, Mrs. Christine Davenport and accepted the offer from the Vice Chairman, Cllr R. Fowler, to visit her and personally convey the best wishes of the Council for her speedy recovery.

7309 Planning Matters:

Council addressed two consultations received:

P09L0420, Kingfisher Close , conservatory, **no objection.**

P09L0427, Teasel Close, extension, **no objection.**

7409 Administration:

- (a) There were no administrative matters requiring attention.
- (b) Following consideration of contract terms prepared by the Chairman and approved by Mr Ian Yates, Council agreed to establish the arrangements for a Lengthsman under the County Council's scheme.

7509 Accounts, Financial Matters:

- (a) Payment of accounts as presented and displayed at the meeting was agreed;
 - HMRC, PAYE deductions.....£ 150.90
 - Worcester City Council, 1st half 2009 Warden Scheme.....£3450.00
 - Dor 2 Dor, Newslink and Festival leaflet distribution.....£460.00

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- (b) After considering recommendations from the Working Group, presented by the Chairman, Council agreed a budget for the next financial year and set a nil increase precept of £33,300.00.
- (c) Council received a short formal update from the Festival Committee via the Clerk.
- (d) An update from Cllr Fowler in respect of an application for a Playbuilder grant confirmed that he would attend a meeting at City Council level on November 4th 2009 in respect of the application being made by the Parish Council. . .
- (e) The Clerk updated Council on Newslink arrangements and confirmed that the next issue was well on target with Pace Print & Design, with increased advertising space sold.

7609 Next Council Meeting:

Agreed date for the next meeting of the Parish Council; Monday December 7th 2009..