

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ROPE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 16th MARCH 2009 AT SHAVINGTON SPORTS CENTRE

PRESENT:

Councillor R Squirrell – (Chairman)
Parish & Borough Councillor Robert Dodd (Vice Chair)
Councillor Maurice Simon
Councillor Andy Pennance
Councillor Chris Flaherty
PCSO's Neil Flanagan
Mrs S Togay – Clerk

11. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Councillor Heather Gage, Councillor Marjorie Dodd, Councillor Margaret Simon, PCSO Paula Davies, Councillor Brian Silvester

12. DECLARATION OF INTEREST:

None

13. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 19th January, 2009 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman with an amendment that Cllr Chris Flaherty and Cllr Margaret Simon had in fact sent their apologies.

14. MATTERS ARISING:

A request was made thAt more information were placed in the notice boards.

15. ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS/PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Bus Shelters On Rope Lane – They had been removed because of subsidence and once remedial work had taken place would be resited.

Shavington Leisure Centre – It had been confirmed that the funding had now been approved for the Leisure Centre Initiative.

Rope Lane Nursery – There was a number of issues concerning this area including the guard dogs, razor wire fencing, large play equipment items and a box trailer on site. Councillors Robert Dodd and Chris Flaherty would contact Ben Haywood in Planning at the Borough Council.

Fly Tipping – This was again happening adjacent to the playing fields on Rope Hall Lane.

Bankfield Avenue – they were overgrown leylandi trees by the culvert. The Clerk to ascertain if there were any enforcement powers that could be used by the Borough to force the owners to cut back.

Berkeley School Playing Fields – There was a problem area where the field drops away. The Clerk was to ascertain if there were any littler pickers available to use in the area.

16. POLICE MATTERS

PCSO's Neil Flanagan gave latest crime figures for the area within which Rope was included. These were low with most offences relating to Tesco Express. There was only one incident in Rope (drug related with knife possession in Laidon Ave) but this had resulted in arrest . This reaffirmed the good work done by the PCSO's in the parish.

There had been 11 attendees at the latest 'Have your say meeting'. The latest schedule for Eastern Area meetings covered the whole area for the new Cheshire East and in comparison to the number of meetings which took place when the old authorities were in existence, seemed to be of a reduced number. The Clerk to contact the Police Authority Member Services Manager to make comment on this fact.

17. PLANNING MATTERS

None

8.FEEDBACK ON EXTERNAL MEETINGS

The Chair had attended a Cheshire East LAP's Meeting where it had now been decided to have 7 areas not 8. The boundaries however were under review depending on the efficiency of the parish groupings and also any affect of the Boundary Commission Review that was proceeding at this time. The Chair had been provided with a map of the areas and the Clerk would make colour copies for all councillors.

19. CLERKS REPORT:

Correspondence Received:

A list of correspondence received was circulated and the communications made available:

CNBC

Planning Applications:

P08/1232 – First Floor Extension, 24 Salander Crescent

P08/1162 – Single Storey Side & Front Extension, 18 Acorn Close

Planning Decisions:

P08/1232 – FF side extension, 24 Salander Close – full permission

P081310 – ss rear extension , 11 Farndale Close – full permission

P08/1259 – front porch, 10 Hanbury Close – full permission

General Correspondence:

Agenda, Highways Transport Local Joint Committee, 20 Jan

LSP Parish Planning Network Meeting

Notice of Standards Committee Meeting

Cheshire East

Establishment of LAPS

CCC

Summary Statement Of Account

Speed Limit Review

Cheshire Police Authority

Have Your Say Schedule 09/10

Have Your Say Magazine

Other:

Cheshire Community Action Newsletter and invitation for Spring Members Event

The Boundary Commission - Unitary Authority Electoral Review of Cheshire East

CPRE Fieldwork– March 09

Cheshire Matters – March 09

Cheshire Fire & Rescue Service Information

CPRE Copy of Cheshire Viewpoint

19. FINANCE:

A. Requests for Financial Assistance:

None

B. Payments

Section 137 Payments:

None

General Payments:

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£302.75	Clerk's Salary
£190.00	Clerk's Expenses 08/09
£8.00	The Mid Cheshire Footpath Soc
£155.25	Audit Fee

A letter had been received with regard to future invoices raised by CCC and CNBC which would transfer to Cheshire East. As the parish received 2 very small invoices (£5 each) the Clerk would ascertain if these invoices could be negated as the cost of raising them was more than the fee.

C. Review Of Clerk's Salary

As the precept had not been increased this year the council requested that the Clerk ascertain some steer with relation to the common increase in Clerk's Salaries from some of her Parish Clerk Colleagues in order to address this issue at the May Meeting.