

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
YOUTH PARISH COUNCIL
HELD AT ARDEN HALL, CASTLE BROMWICH
ON TUESDAY 4th January 2011
AT 17.00 HRS**

Those present:

Chairman: Cllr Miss R Jennings

Councillors: Cllr Miss A Baynton Cllr T Clayton Cllr Miss R Wolliston
Cllr Miss N Browne Cllr Miss L Phillips

Officers: Mrs C Tibbles, Clerk to the Council/RFO

Also Present: Mr Carl Ferris, Halls Garden Centre,
PC Dave Cobby, PCSO Emma Sawyer, West Midlands Police
Cllr Mrs. P Allen, Link Councillor

Public: 1 member of the public.

Prior to commencing the meeting the Chairman wished everyone a Happy New Year.

1. Apologies.

The apologies from Cllr Miss J Browne, Cllr Miss G Healy, Cllr J Lal and Cllr Miss A Munro were noted. Cllr D Bliss, Cllr Miss C Drew and Cllr A Knibb were absent.

2. Minutes of the previous Meeting.

ON THE PROPOSITION of Cllr Miss Wolliston, **SECONDED** by Cllr Miss Phillips, **IT WAS RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 2nd November 2010 having been circulated, be signed as a true and correct record of the Meeting.

3. Working Party Report.

Members discussed the last meeting held on 7th December when preparations were made for grant applications, design of project albums and Christmas Card possibilities. If members had the opportunity to take photos of Castle Bromwich scenes, especially during snowfall, it could be possible to produce a calendar or cards to raise funds if sold. Cllr Mrs. Allen reported that since the meeting she had taken some photos, as had the Chairman. Additional pictures would be welcome from other members. As Cllr Miss Healy knew she would miss this meeting due to being at work she had expressed a wish to write a piece for one of the Village Green albums. It was **AGREED** that the Chairman would email members to share the tasks to get this archive underway.

4. Village Green Project – Carl Ferris, Hall Garden Centre.

Members discussed the spring planting and considered suggestions and **IT WAS UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that a working party be held on Thursday 24th February at 5.30 pm at Arden Hall [Spencer Lounge] to peruse catalogues with Carl Ferris when recommendations could be agreed for the Clerk to arrange order of spring planting, to a provisional budget of £600.

5. Village Green Project – Sensory Peace Garden.

Following consideration, priorities were considered and **IT WAS UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that mosaic options be investigated (with coloured tiles in red, white and blue) as an alternative to the handprints; that a community planting day be promoted for Sunday 17th April at 11 am at the Village Green; that the Clerk and Cllr Mrs. Allen refine the funding applications in preparation for submission. Members noted with delight the grant of £250 from the Dame Mary Bridgeman Charity Trust, which had been gratefully acknowledged.

ACTION

RJ asap

All Members
24/2

Clerk 2/3

N Browne
24/2

6. Future Ideas and Raising Awareness.

Members discussed some of the suggestions made previously and in the light of the further communication from Play Innovation regarding Street Snooker, the Clerk was asked to request funding advice from the company. Other options could be explored further at future meetings.

ACTION
Clerk 7/1

7. Royal Wedding.

Following a request by the Parish Council, to consider the forthcoming event, members agreed that the Clerk should send a letter of congratulation in response to the announcement of the wedding of Prince William. After further lively consideration, **IT WAS UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that a family based event in the park would be a nice opportunity for Castle Bromwich to join a national celebration. An urgent meeting of the Events Working Party with the Youth Council would be arranged for Wednesday 19th January at 7 pm [Pavilion], with recommendations quickly being proposed to the Council the following week. Some preliminary discussion took place of options to consider and initial research that might be undertaken by the Clerk and Link Councillor.

Clerk
Jan.11

Events WP
+ Youth
Council
19/1

Clerk/PA
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8. Development of Youth Councillors.

Following discussion and consideration of the draft letter by the Chairman, members **RESOLVED** that the Clerk should write to Caroline Spelman MP to request a visit to the House of Commons in March or April. The Clerk was also asked to contact Solihull Council to arrange a visit, possibly one early evening in May/June.

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9. Ideas and Questions from Councillors.

In response to a question, the constitution was checked in regard to absence from meetings. **IT WAS UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that the Clerk should write to Cllr Knibb to enquire how he was and ask if he would be attending the next meeting, as there had been no response to the Chairman's email and members were concerned for him. The Youth Council page of the website had not been actioned further and the Clerk would endeavour to address this.

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10. Communications.

Following consideration, **IT WAS UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that Cllr Clayton and Cllr Natasha Browne attend the Active Involvement Management Group meeting on 23rd February, 2011, with Cllr Miss Phillips being the reserve member. The Clerk would endeavour to get venue details and arrange transport if required, paid for by the Council.

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11. Clerk's Report.

The Clerk had nothing further to report as matters had been included on the agenda.