

<p>MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CASTLE BROMWICH PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN ARDEN HALL, CASTLE BROMWICH ON WEDNESDAY 27TH OCTOBER 2010 AT 7.30 PM</p>
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Those present:

Chairman: Cllr Mrs. P Allen

Councillors:	Cllr R Amos	Cllr I Hiley	Cllr A Terry
	Cllr M Hayes	Cllr J Horne-MacDonald	Cllr Miss J Ward
	Cllr Mrs. A Haywood	Cllr E Knibb	Cllr J Whelan
		Cllr J Riordan	Cllr Mrs. B. Wilkins

Officer: Mrs C Tibbles

Guests: Mr C.Strong, Mr M. Duffield, Castle Bromwich Cricket & Sports Club
Ms. C. Walsh, Mr I Tann, Solihull Community Housing ASB Team

Public: 8 members of the public

Prior to the meeting commencing, Mrs Lisa Smith (candidate for co-option) submitted apologies for not being able to attend this meeting but assured the Council of her future commitment. Due to time constraints, Sgt Hewitt, West Midlands Police, was given the opportunity to update everyone with latest police news for the past month with news of a successful arrest for burglary and a plea for vigilance with forthcoming seasonal activities. He confirmed the team would be on duty for Halloween, that special ASB teams would be in vehicles for bonfire night and offered to feedback results of an incident to a councillor if details were supplied via the Clerk. The Chairman pleaded for patrols during late evening at weekends at the Village Green as the new plants had been uprooted on 3 occasions in addition to one theft. Sgt. Hewitt then left the meeting. The Chairman welcomed guests and public to the meeting, apologizing for the delay in starting.

1. Apologies.

Cllr M Rashid and Cllr Mrs. J Smith were absent.

2. Declarations of pecuniary or other interests.

None declared.

3. Co-option of new member for Timberley Ward.

At the invitation of the Chairman, the 2 candidates present were invited to state their reasons for wishing to become a parish councillor. Members had the opportunity to ask questions and **IT WAS AGREED** that a written ballot be held until an absolute majority was achieved. **IT WAS RESOLVED** that Mrs. Lisa Smith be co-opted as a councillor for the Timberley Ward. The Declaration of Acceptance of Office would need to be accepted at the next meeting, when allocation to a committee would also be confirmed.

4. Minutes of the previous Meeting.

ON THE PROPOSITION OF Cllr Amos, **SECONDED** by Cllr Riordan, **IT WAS RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday 29th September, 2010 be accepted as a true and correct record of the Meeting.

5. Guest Speakers: Parish Council Pavilion Development.

At the invitation of the Chairman, representatives of Castle Bromwich Cricket and Sports Club explained further their ideas for a new sports and community building. Members took the opportunity to ask questions and following consideration. **ON THE PROPOSITION OF** Cllr Hayes, **SECONDED** by Cllr Mrs. Haywood, **IT WAS UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that the parish council support the Club's proposals in principle. The Clerk would arrange a preliminary meeting to report back to Council

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on the formation of a Joint Committee with interested parties so that a plan of action could be agreed.

6. Guest Speakers: Chris Walsh, Solihull Community Housing.

At the invitation of the Chairman, Ms. Walsh and Mr. Tann explained their roles in supporting residents who had issues with antisocial behaviour. Members listened with interest to the case studies and took the opportunity to ask questions. Their work was commended and leaflets were left for distribution to residents, showing the number to call when help was needed – 0121 717 1515. Public were urged to act and not tolerate or suffer from unreasonable behavior. The team's genuine desire to put victims first and to do their best to establish root causes and find solutions was clearly evident.

7. Questions from the Public.

In accordance with Standing Orders, the meeting was temporarily suspended so that members of the public could ask questions. Mr. Holland stated he had been proud to be a resident of Castle Bromwich when attending the ceremonial tree planting by the Youth Council and family of Joseph Murphy. He expressed his thanks to the Youth Council, all youngsters, Halls Garden Centre, the Parish Council and everyone involved. The Chairman noted his kind words. There was no feedback on previous issues.

8. Questions from Councillors.

None submitted.

9. Communications.

Members noted the information listed. The Clerk reported a consultation taking place on maternity services, with a series of meetings arranged and views to be submitted to the NHS Trust by 24th January.

10. Motion by Cllr Hayes (Amendment to Standing Orders).

ON THE PROPOSITION OF Cllr Hayes, **SECONDED** by Cllr Knibb, members heard the motion for the council to make audio recordings of meetings to assist the clerk in writing minutes, the recordings would then be destroyed the following month when minutes had been agreed and signed off by the council. This motion had stood adjourned since the last meeting in accordance with Standing Order 80. Following consideration, the motion fell due to insufficient support. The council would therefore not proceed with the recording of meetings.

11. Centro – East Birmingham and North Solihull – Bus Network Review

Members noted the special extension to the short deadline but following consideration, **IT WAS UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to inform Centro of the Council's disappointment in not responding to previous invitations to attend a parish council meeting to discuss transport issues for parishioners. Poor availability of route information/changes to services had been of serious concern to residents and the Clerk had been unable to source supplies of timetables for a considerable time.

12. Solihull Partnership Forum Meeting.

Members had no views to submit to the Forum via Cllr Riordan, who was the elected representative for the Parish Council.

13. Appointment of Representative to outside bodies.

Following consideration, **IT WAS RESOLVED** that Cllr Miss Ward be appointed as a governor to Castle Bromwich Junior School and Cllr Mrs. Allen be appointed as the Link Councillor to the Youth Council.

14. Solihull MBC – Standards Committee.

This matter was deferred to the next meeting.

15. Working Parties.

Cllr Horne-MacDonald reported that some planting had taken place to replace the stolen shrubs at the Village Green by him and Cllr Mrs. Allen. Cllr Hayes apologized that the Standing Orders Working Party had not held their second meeting but he hoped to have arrangements in hand soon.

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16. Report of the Leisure Services Committee.

ON THE PROPOSITION of Cllr Mrs. Haywood, **SECONDED** by Cllr Mrs. Wilkins, **IT WAS RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Leisure Services Committee held on Wednesday, 6th October 2010, having been circulated, be received, approved and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

17. Report of the Finance & General Purposes Committee.

ON THE PROPOSITION of Cllr Hayes, **SECONDED** by Cllr Horne-MacDonald, **IT WAS RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Meetings of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held on Wednesdays, 29th September and 13th October, 2010, having been circulated, be received, approved and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

18. Representatives to Outside Bodies.

There were no reports given.

19. Report of the Officer of the Council.

The Clerk reported under delegated powers she was preparing to sanction a charity football match taking place on Boxing Day in the park. This had taken place for several years in the past and the organizers faced different circumstances this year – further details would be reported at the next LSC meeting. Money raised would be in support of 2 Rifles, the regiment that Joe Murphy had served in. Some training papers were tabled.

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20. Report of the Chairman.

The Chairman reported that on Sunday, 3rd October she had attended the Mayor of Solihull's Civic Service at the Parish Church of St. Alphege. This had been followed by refreshments at the Civic Suite and she thanked the Mayor for his kind invitation. On Thursday 7th October the Vice Chairman had represented the Parish Council at the Institution and Induction of the new vicar of St. Clements Church. Cllr Riordan had been privileged to welcome Rev. Stuart Carter to Castle Bromwich and thanks were recorded to St. Clements for the invitation and refreshments after the service. The Chairman had also attended this event and welcomed Rev. Carter to Castle Bromwich as a Trustee of Castle Bromwich Hall Gardens. On Friday 8th October the Quiz night took place, successfully raising £377.20 for the Chairman's Charity Fund. On Friday 22nd October she had attended the Castle Bromwich Singers Concert at Arden Hall, also attended by the Mayor and Mayoress of Solihull. She recorded her thanks to the Singers for the invitation to a most enjoyable evening. On Monday 25th October she had welcomed everyone to the Youth Council's Ceremonial Tree Planting at the Village Green which had been extremely well attended. She expressed thanks and congratulations to the Youth Council for their dedication in doing this garden and was grateful to everyone else who had supported them.