

Costock Parish Council

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday May 20, 2009, in the Village Hall

Couns. Mrs Kath Owen (chairman)

Mike Albon

Tony Starmer

Everard Robinson (A)

Peter Houghton

Mrs Delia Pickerill (A)

Also present: The clerk Mike Elliott, Coun. Reg Adair (Notts County Council) and three members of the public.

1. **Election of chairman** Coun. Mrs Kath Owen was proposed, seconded and unanimously re-elected.
2. **Election of vice-chairman** Coun. Mike Albon was proposed, seconded and unanimously re-elected.
3. **Apologies** were received from Couns. Everard Robinson and Mrs Delia Pickerill.
4. **Declarations of Interest** There were none.
5. **Minutes of previous meeting held on April 15, 2009**, were accepted as circulated and signed by the chairman.

6. **Clerk's report**

The clerk said he had looked at the situation of Millers Lane having been used as access to the playing field and had found a farmer had given the contractor permission to use his gate. The clerk had also spoken to the Legal Department at Rushcliffe Borough Council and they have advised that the parish council had nothing to do, anyone who felt their rights had been violated had to prove damage and that would be impossible in this instance.

7. **Website**

Vista360 Limited provided an update on the website usage for April 2009 and said there had been 191 unique visitors generating 395 total hits.

8. **Correspondence**

Nottinghamshire County Council wrote regarding the Building Better Communities Workshop on June 16 at The John Fretwell Sporting Complex, Mansfield. No one was available to attend. Nottinghamshire County Council advised of their 40th week in July, celebrating the children and young people of Rushcliffe. The same letter would have been sent to the school.

Nottinghamshire County Council and Rural Community Action Nottinghamshire gave details of a playground inspection training event at Cropwell Bishop Memorial Hall on Tuesday June 23

Mr Terry Beale, Costock C of E Primary School headmaster, thanked the council for their letter wishing him well in his retirement.

Rushcliffe Borough Council advised of their new Small Environmental Improvement Schemes Programme 2009/2010 Parish Planting and Landscaping Scheme and it was agreed to leave the matter to the next meeting. Nottinghamshire County Council advised of its Civic Service on Sunday July 12 at Southwell Minster

Rushcliffe Borough Council gave details of a Benefits, Grants and Energy Saving Roadshow. Rushcliffe Borough Council were carrying out a review of the village Conservation Area and a consultation exhibition was taking place later in the evening. The parish council were not opposed to the suggested changes.

9. **Arriva 99 Bus Service** The item was left to be discussed during the Annual Parish Meeting.

10. **Planning Matters**

Planning Applications

09/00434/FUL Champions UK Ltd; Two and single storey extension to existing office building; Land Adjoining Meadow Cottage, Leake Road. Object on a number of grounds.

09/00674/FUL Dr Nicholas Reynolds; Increase ridge height of roof, formation of first floor accommodation, single storey side extension; Whisperwood Cottage, Ash Lane. No objection

09/00709/FUL Mr S Price; First floor side extension; Westfield, Loughborough Road. No objection

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09/00434/FUL Champions UK Ltd; Two and single storey extension to existing office building; Land Adjoining Meadow Cottage, Leake Road. Refuse Permission

Planning Appeal

09/00095/FUL Mr Hayes; Single storey front extensions; Meadow Cottage, Leake Road. An appeal has been made against the decision of Rushcliffe Borough Council to refuse planning permission. The parish council did not object to the proposed scheme.

11. **Village Hall** No matters were raised.

12. **Playing Field** No matters were raised.

13. **Finance** Members authorised payment of accounts as per the schedule presented:

Total expenditure for meeting	£707.59	£88.02	£795.61
Total expenditure to date in the current financial year	£1,785.48	£133.01	£1,918.49

The council considered the end of year financial report presented by the clerk and which was approved and its content was accepted. The chairman signed the Annual Return form for the 2008/2009 financial year.

14. **Casual Vacancy**

The clerk said the council could now proceed to fill the vacancy if it wished.

15. **Questions to the Council** There were no questions.

16. **Date for Next Meeting**

The clerk was asked to investigate a date other than the usual one of June 17, 2009, because of the possible number of apologies.

17. **Agenda Items for Next meeting** None were suggested.

The meeting closed at 7.50pm.