

Costock Parish Council

Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday April 21, 2010, in the Village Hall at 7.30pm

Couns. Mrs Kath Owen (chairman)

Mike Albon

Tony Starmer

Everard Robinson

Peter Houghton

Mrs Delia Pickerill

Chris Brown (A)

Also present: The clerk Mike Elliott and six members of the public.

1. **Apologies** were received from Coun. Chris Brown.
2. **Declarations of Interest** There were none.
3. **Minutes of previous meeting** held on March 17, 2010, were accepted as circulated and signed by the chairman.
4. **Clerk's report**
 Coun. Starmer said he had looked at the goal posts on the village playing field and found their condition to be acceptable, but the sockets were in need of attention. The clerk was asked to arrange for the work to be carried out.
 Notts County Council said it was to carry out a further check on the A60 highway drainage following the parish council comments of continuing flooding.
5. **Correspondence**
 Notts County Council gave details of its Local Improvement Scheme Launch on June 15. The clerk said he would attend and a member was invited as well. Notts County Council gave details of its Community Emergency Plan and members agreed that the clerk should highlight one section at a time and ask members to assist in completing the required information.
 Clement Keys said the submission date for the annual audit of the accounts for the year end March 31, 2010, was June 14. The clerk said the accounts would be ready for the required date. A parish church group of volunteers had offered to undertake the work of grass cutting at The Pinfold but it was pointed out if this was counted as highway land they would have to have £5m public liability insurance. The clerk was asked to check with Notts County Council on whether it was highway land.
 It was decided not to enter the Notts Branch of the Campaign to Protect Rural Eengland's Best Kept Village Competition 2010. Wicksteed Playscapes' play equipment annual inspection report was received. The clerk was asked to arrange for the medium and high risk work in the report to be carried out by Wicksteed.
6. **Planning Matters and environment** There were no planning applications or Rushcliffe Borough Council decisions.
7. **Village Hall**
 Mr John Collins, chairman of the Village Hall Management Committee, provided the council with one tender for a replacement water boiler. He was asked to come up with at least one other price. The clerk said the Borough Council had agreed it was not necessary to resubmit another planning application for the change to the fencing to allow for the erection of the new notice board.
8. **Playing Field** Nothing further was discussed.
9. **Grass Cutting of the Pinfold and Around the Play Area in the School Grounds**
 Nothing further was discussed on The Pinfold, the clerk having been asked to check on the status of the area. He was asked to obtain a price for the grass cutting work at the play area.
10. **Finance** Members authorised payment of accounts as per the schedule presented.

Total expenditure for meeting	£438.06	£48.35	£486.41
Total expenditure to date in the current financial year	£438.06	£48.35	£486.41

The last three items on the agenda, the website, the Nature Reserve at the Charles Church development and Questions to the Council were left over to the next meeting which would be held on May 19, 2010, and being the Annual General Meeting of the council.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.03pm.