

Cawston Parish Council

Councillors: P. Venner (*Chairman*), Mrs D. Wilson (*Vice Chairman*)
Mrs V. Mair, Mrs M. Brett, R. Mistry, T. Medcraft, P. Sharples

MINUTES

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Ordinary Meeting Number 54, Tuesday 12th April 2011 Held at Cawston Grange Children's Centre

Parish Councillors in Attendance:	P. Venner, Mrs D. Wilson, Mrs M. Brett, Mrs V Mair, T. Medcraft
Other Guests in Attendance:	Borough Cllrs M. Stokes & M. Williams, Mr A. McInnes & Mr G. Holliday representing the Consortium
Number of Public in Attendance:	Six

The Clerk / RFO in attendance.

The meeting opened at 7:30 pm

1. **Apologies were received from:** Cllrs R. Mistry and P. Sharples.
2. **Declarations of Interest**
 - a. **Personal;** None received.
 - b. **Prejudicial;** None received.

3. **Minutes of the previous meeting(s).**

- a. **To Agree the minutes of the previous meeting(s);**

The Council Resolved That: The Vice-Chairman sign the minutes 053 as a true and accurate record of that meeting.

- **Proposed:** Cllr Mrs D. Wilson
- **Seconded:** Cllr T. Medcraft

- b. **Outstanding actions from minutes of the previous meeting(s)**

Will be covered under items on the agenda.

4. **Opportunity for representatives of Warwickshire Police to address The Council**

The chairman had held discussions with both WPC Hall and Sergeant Daf Goddard on the police attendance at Parish Council meetings. The police are now unable to attend due to changes in working practices but will provide a monthly report on activities/incidents in Cawston. Particular issues are to be notified to them.

The chairman produced the statistics for the previous month. One theft of a motor vehicle, one theft from a motor vehicle, three incidents of damage (two of buildings and one of motor vehicle), two neighbourhood disputes, one rowdy behaviour, five abandoned vehicles, two burglaries, three violence and five domestics. There was also produced Crime Performance Statistics for Cawston covering the years 2009/10 and 2010/11.

5. **Cawston Extension Scheme with Adrian McInnes on behalf of Wm Davis Homes**

Adrian McInnes, in conjunction with Gary Holliday, presented a plan of their proposals for the land known as Cawston Extension. Dunchurch Parish Council had already been shown their proposals for the site. The intention is to leave as many trees and hedgerows as possible and to have green open spaces as per Cawston Grange. Coventry Road residents had raised concerns over the loss of open space at the back of their houses. The scheme showed houses, employment land, allotments and a school. Borough Cllr Stokes felt there was little likelihood of permission for this being granted but Adrian McInnes said one would have to await the outcome of the Inspectors report due in May.

Members of the public spoke stating that business units were not needed, current roads were unadopted, lack of a doctors surgery and child care not catered for. Concern was also raised to the roundabout adjacent to Potsford Dam railway bridge. Also claims for compensation re noise from the Western Relief Road were being made. It was stated that a full topographical survey had been made, together with a full safety audit and noise assessments would be made.

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Borough Cllr Stokes said that a commitment to complete the current site was needed and better S106 agreements for future developments.

Adrian McInnes said that the key to adoption was the pump station, on which £40k had been spent on up-dating. Severn Trent Water were due to re-inspect and pass the sewers, the roads can then be adopted. Cllr Medcraft said that prior to this drains needed clearing and maintenance works needed carrying out. Adrian McInnes agreed to arrange a meeting to look at the problems with Cllr Medcraft and Rob McGuinn.

6. Up to 15 Minutes for members of the public to address The Council

Pauline Lindsay said additional hedging was needed in Primary Walk to prevent incursions into gardens in Callier Close Orbit Housing are to be advised of concerns.

The Council's attention was drawn to the trees growing on Potsford Dam railway bridge. This was noted but not in our parish.

Robert Nash asked if Dunchurch had approached the Parish Council to support them in opposition to the possible library closure. No contact had been made.

He then raised the question of the travellers and had the police taken all necessary action to prevent the travellers entering the sports field. There were powers that could have been used but it would appear the police took the action that would not be confrontational. The travellers had committed offences by driving motor vehicles across footpaths, not once but twice, and he felt that the Road Traffic Act should have been used to make life more difficult for the travellers.

Borough Cllr Stokes said that he attended the field and found five caravans on site and soon a further seven appeared. These caused traffic problems on Coventry Rd and police were surrounded by approx thirty travellers. Access was allowed to the seven caravans because of their threat to traffic. Every vehicle on the field was checked by police. The eviction order had to be enforced with a bailiff employed by RBC having to attend.

The Borough Council are to close the access point used by the travellers and want to put bollards in, however there are no funds available for this and Borough Cllr Stokes asked if the Parish Council would consider funding this. Cllr Venner said that when the cost was known then the council would consider the request.

Concern was expressed re cars in Primary Walk and this is to be considered at the next meeting.

Cawston Parish Council wish to thank all those involved in dealing with the travellers on their recent incursion on to the sports field.

7. Opportunity for Borough and County Councillors to address The Council

This was covered under Item 6 above.

8. To receive Working Party reports

a) Consortium Liaison

This was covered during Item 5 above.

b) Finance and Staffing

The clerk reported the figures for the bank balances:

Current Account	£2,605.83
Savings Account	£126,952.68

The clerk drew attention to the unspent Capital Projects money at 31 March 2011. This amounted to £57,000.00 and is to be carried forward. The breakdown is:-

Community Hall Project	£39,000.00
Welcome Planters	£ 8,000.00
Parish Plan Projects	£10,000.00

- o **The Council Resolved That:** The Budget item in 2011/12 for Railway Line Project for Tools, insurance etc in the sum of £300.00 be transferred to its correct allocation under Donations.
- o **Proposed:** Cllr Venner
- o **Seconded:** Cllr Mrs Wilson

Following a request from Friends of Cawston Greenway for £264.26 to cover the cost of insurance

- o **The Council Resolved That:** a donation of £300.00 is made to Friends of Cawston Greenway, as per the budget.
- o **Proposed:** Cllr Venner
- o **Seconded:** Cllr Mrs Wilson

Cllr Mrs Brett abstained due to personal interest.

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- **The Council Resolved That:** The following payments be approved:-

R Morgan	£374.39	Clerk Salary for April 2011	Bank transfer
SSLC Enterprises	£210.00	WWYC Course for Clerk	Cheque 000195
R Morgan	£ 44.00	Vehicle allowance	Bank transfer
SSLC	£ 38.50	Manual updates	Cheque 000191
Friends of Cawston Greenway		£300.00 Donation	cheque 000192
Steers Printing	£249.60	March CPN Printing	Cheque 000194
WALC	£591.00	Annual Subscription	Cheque 000196
WCC	£ 72.00	Hire of room Jan/March 2011	Cheque 000193
Navigus Planning	£ 50.00	Journal of Local Planning	Cheque 000197
Friends of Cawston PTA	£250.00	Donation to Summer Sizzler	Cheque 000198
- **Proposed:** Cllr Venner
- **Seconded:** Cllr Medcraft

c) **Draft Annual Return Approval**
Cllrs stated that this had not been received.

d) **Parish Plan Action Plan**
Cllr Venner said he had up-dated actions that he had taken in regard to the plan and urged other councillors to do likewise.

e) **Community Hall**
The clerk advised the meeting that the solicitors involved in the Land Transfer were now in contact with each other and documents were being exchanged. The clerk will liaise with the solicitor on this subject.

f) **Street Furniture**
Further quotation had been requested the building of the planters as per Standing Orders. The signs 'Welcome to Cawston Parish' would be supplied by Nuneaton Signs with the final price still to be agreed. Scott Ballard of RBC is to be approached with regard to plants in the planters.

9. To hear and consider any received correspondence (Including notice of forthcoming external meetings)

Following correspondence received:-
Email from resident re dog fouling, the clerk advised that he had received some posters re Dog fouling which he would get on the notice boards. The clerk is to respond to the email. Also purchase of further dog fouling signs to put up in the Greenway area.
WCC re Formal Consultation – proposed changes to the primary school priority areas in West Rugby – the clerk to copy and send to councillors.

10. To consider any planning notices

Erection of a garage at Cawston Old Farm House, Whitefriars Drive.

11. To discuss items requiring the clerks attention

To chase Rob McGuinn re replenishing of Grit Bins by RBC.
Talk to Dunchurch PC re Handyman employed and cost thereof.
Liaise with RBC re putting lights on Xmas tree.

Borough Cllr M Stokes thanked the Parish Councillors on behalf of the residents of Cawston Parish for their work over the past years.

There being no further business, The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 9.50 pm.

Signed as a true record;

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(Chairman)

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(Date)

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