

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF  
THE WEST HALLAM PARISH COUNCIL**

**HELD**

**ON MONDAY 3 MAY 2010**

**IN**

**THE POWTRELL COMMUNITY PAVILION  
BEECH LANE, WEST HALLAM**

**PRESENT** Cllr Mrs C Hart (Chair)  
Cllr Mrs H Chapman (Vice Chair)  
Cllr B Broughton  
Cllr A Draycott  
Cllr B King  
Cllr Mrs C Stevenson

Clerk: Mr P Briggs

Members of the Public: 6

3165 **APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Cllr P Byrne, Cllr D Adams-Shaw and Cllr Mrs B Harrison

3166 **ELECTION OF CHAIR**

Cllr Mrs C Hart was elected to the Office of Chair of the West Hallam Parish Council for 2010/2011 and signed the Declaration of Office.

3167 **ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR**

Cllr Mrs H Chapman was elected to the Office of Vice Chair of the West Hallam Parish Council 2010/2011 and signed the Declaration of Office.

3168 **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

The Chair, Cllr Mrs C Hart, recorded a personal interest in respect of the West Hallam White Rose Cricket Club and the West Hallam Junior Football Club.

Cllr B Broughton declared a personal and prejudicial interest in respect of the accounts for Park Hall Designs and the payment of salary to the Assistant Clerk.

3169 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The Minutes of a meeting of the West Hallam Parish Council held on Monday 5 April 2010 were approved and signed by the Chair.

3170 **EXEMPT ITEMS**

It was **RESOLVED** that no item on the agenda should be considered as an exempt item.

3171 **CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS**

a) **Chair's Announcements**

i) The Chair, Cllr Mrs C Hart, issued a number of the Parish Council's electronic newsletters which had now over 100 subscribers. Continuing the Chair elaborated on the content of the newsletter which itself was very attractive and very informative and requested Parish Councillors to submit any ideas to Cllr Bruce Broughton for inclusion in the next edition.

b) **Public Participation**

The Chair, Cllr Mrs C Hart, presented matters that had been discussed during the Public Participation session as follows:

In response to an enquiry about the provision of a Pharmacy in West Hallam the Chair, Cllr Mrs C Hart, confirmed that subject to appeal and the provision of suitable accommodation the PCT had given approval for a Pharmacy in or near West Hallam. With regard to an appeal against this decision only those limited offices could appeal including the Doctors' Surgeries at the Dales Shopping Centre and it is understood that they are preparing an appeal at this time.

Following a report by a Member of the Public it was **RESOLVED** the Parish Council explore the feasibility of planting two additional cherry trees on the southern boundary at the Beech Lane Recreation Ground.

In response to a resident's enquiry about the collection of household compost it was **RESOLVED** that the Chair, Cllr Mrs C Hart, obtain a response from Cllr Mrs B Harrison and inform the residents accordingly.

A resident complained about the odours from the food outlets at the Dales Shopping Centre which spread over the whole of the Village. It was **RESOLVED** that the Chair, Cllr Mrs C Hart, report the matter to the Environmental Health Department at Erewash Borough Council.

3172 **REPORTS OF WORKING PARTIES AND SUB-COMMITTEES**

Cllr Mrs C Stevenson and Cllr B Broughton presented a report on a meeting of the Funding Sub Committee with regard to the provision of a new play area at the Station Road Recreation Ground. A copy of those reports is attached to the agenda for reference.

Following a general discussion on this project it was **RESOLVED** that the Chair, Cllr Mrs C Hart, the Vice Chair, Cllr Mrs H Chapman and the Clerk meet to review the precept budget for 2010/11 in order to determine the funds available to this particular project which will be considered by the Parish Council at the next meeting accordingly.

3173 **MATTERS FOR DETERMINATION**

a) Members considered further the location of the memorial bench in the Village and it was **RESOLVED** that the memorial seat be incorporated into the new play area scheme at Station Road.

b) Members considered further correspondence dated 27 March 2010 from the West Hallam Centre and Recreation Ground regarding an application for funding to the provision of a fence at the rear of the Community Centre. The Clerk informed Members that he had not received a reply to an enquiry regarding the funding from Three Valleys. Following discussion it was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk enquire of the Community Centre again with regard to the Three Valleys funding and for the matter to be discussed further at the next meeting of the Parish Council.

c) The Chair, Cllr Mrs C Hart, informed the meeting that information from DCC regarding the SIDs VASs and the priority junction at Beech Lane and Station Road (outside the White Hart PH) will be presented to the next meeting of the Parish Council.

d) Cllr Mrs C Hart presented a report on a meeting held with representatives of EBC and Mapperley Parish Council on Monday 26 April to discuss a number of concerns about graffiti, debris and other environmental issues. Following further discussion it was **RESOLVED** that the Chair, Cllr Mrs C Hart, accompanied by the Vice Chair, Cllr Mrs H Chapman, convene a meeting with representatives of UK Coal, Mapperley Parish Council, and Mr C Beaumont of EBC to discuss the issues and resolutions in more detail and to report back to the next meeting of the Parish Council.

e) Cllr A Draycott presented a report on a meeting held with representatives of the West Hallam Junior Football Club regarding football development in West Hallam which centred around the following issues:

- Millhouse utilisation by the Club
- Frequency of mowing
- A firm commitment from the Club to use the Millhouse field

- Storage of goal posts at the Powtrell Community Pavilion which is an urgent matter due to the damaged caused to the underside of the roof.
- The provision of a logo/plaque at the Powtrell Community Pavilion.
- The provision of trophies to the cabinet at the Powtrell Community Pavilion.
- Agreement with the Community Centre for the use of toilets and changing facilities for the Football Club who use Millhouse field.
- The storage of goal posts that are used at Millhouse field.

It was **RESOLVED** that Cllr A Draycott present progress on these matters to the next meeting of the Parish Council accordingly.

f) The Clerk presented information regarding the provision of floral baskets at each of the four lamp columns in the centre of the Village. It was **RESOLVED** that the contract offered by EBC in the sum of £55.00 per basket on a three year contract be approved and that the Clerk report the results of sponsorship letters to the next meeting of the Parish Council.

g) Members received a copy of the audited accounts of the Powtrell Community Pavilion at 31 March 2010 showing a deficit of £992.00 and forward to 31 March 2011 showing a deficit of just over £1000.00. In discussion Members were informed that the Management Committee were optimistic that increased usage will develop over the next 12 months at the Pavilion which will benefit the financial statement accordingly.

h) The Clerk presented e-mail correspondence dated 11 April 2010 from a contractor offering a range of horticultural services to the Parish Council. It was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk inform the contractor that the Parish Council would be pleased to place his details on the approved list subject to the provision of appropriate insurance and references.

i) Cllr B Broughton and Cllr A Draycott presented a report on a meeting the Parish and Town Councils Liaison Forum held at DCC on 22 April 2010 which centred around Winter maintenance protection to include Winter gritting and gritting priorities. It was **RESOLVED** the report be received with thanks.

j) Cllr B King presented a report on a meeting of the Borough and Parish Councils' Forum held on Wednesday 14 April 2010 and elaborated appropriately on the Constabulary re-structure, the civil parking enforcement updates, the disposal of dog waste, the Derbyshire County Council Winter gritting and grit bins, a budget briefing and the rural housing needs work. It was **RESOLVED** the report be received with thanks.

k) The Clerk presented correspondence dated 22 March 2010 from the Land Registry regarding registering your property. Following discussion it was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk explore the benefits of registering High Lane

Central Recreation Ground and checking on ownership of the property adjacent the Recreation Ground.

l) The Clerk reported on his visit to a resident who had complained about overgrown hedges at the boundary of his property at Millhouse Fields. Following a further report it was **RESOLVED** that Grass Track be invited to inspect the overgrown trees and shrubs and advise on the costs required to prune back the overgrown trees and shrubs at that location and for the Chair, Cllr Mrs C Hart, to be given delegated powers to make a decision accordingly. Continuing and in view of the other matters discussed it was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk write an appropriate letter to the resident regarding the dumping of grass cuttings on the Millhouse Field Recreation Ground.

m) Members considered correspondence dated 8 April 2010 from the West Hallam Centre and Recreation Ground and a copy of the audited accounts for year ending 30 November 2009. Following discussion it was **RESOLVED** that a donation of £578.00 be made to the Community Centre and paid at this meeting.

n) Members considered an application for donation from the West Hallam Village Hall Charity as described in their correspondence dated 24 April 2010 which included a copy of the audited accounts to year ending 31 December 2009. Following discussion it was **RESOLVED** that a donation of £585.00 be made to the West Hallam Village Hall Charity and paid at this meeting.

o) Members considered correspondence dated 6 November 2009 and further information from the Church of St Wilfrid's West Hallam regarding the maintenance and repairs to the Church Clock. Further e-mail correspondence was presented dated 25 April 2010 providing more detailed and upto date information regarding finances. It was **RESOLVED** that when the present appeal has concluded and there is insufficient to carry out the repairs to the clock the Church are requested to write to the Parish Council further with progress and details of finance.

p) In order to maintain protocol and procedure the Chair, Cllr Mrs C Hart, explained how the Parish Council may consider items of an urgent nature that came about following the publication of the agenda which itself would exclude matters of capital expenditure. Following further discussion it was agreed that in the event that Members have such items to present to a meeting of the Parish Council those should be registered with the Chair, Cllr Mrs C Hart, or indeed the Clerk by midday latest on the day of the meeting.

3174 **ACCOUNTS**

a) The following accounts were approved for payment:-

Mr P Briggs	£361.00	
Mrs L C Broughton	£120.00	
Mr C Gadsby	£263.00	Litter picking
Grass Track	£1441.34	Mowing and maintenance

4CR	£26.99	CCTV repairs
Door Tech	£71.56	Finger protectors PCP
JLS Plumbing and Heating	£229.90	Service Gas Boiler and Water Heater at PCP
Bago	£65.80	Litter Pincers for Litter Picker
AON	£1055.10	Insurance Premium
Park Hall Designs	£43.42	Website maintenance March 2010 and printing For meeting 5 April 2010
Cllr Mrs C Hart	£335.00	Chair's Allowance
West Hallam Centre & Recreation Ground Charity	£585.00	Donation to rates
West Hallam Village Hall Charity	£585.00	Donation to rates
Mr P Briggs	£24.00	Lock for PCP

b) Members received correspondence dated 16 April 2010 from EBC confirming the concurrent function budget at £21,550 and precept budget at £26,500. It was **RESOLVED** that an appropriate letter be sent to EBC regarding the additional £2,000 allocated to the Parish Council for 2010/11.

c) The Clerk advised Members that the notice for the annual audit for year ending 31 March 2010 will be 8 June 2010. It was **RESOLVED** the Clerk conclude the audit as normal.

d) Members considered further the concurrent and precept budgets for 2010/2011. It was **RESOLVED** the matters be deferred to a further meeting of the Parish Council in due course.

### 3175 **PLANNING**

a) Members considered the following planning applications received following the publication of the agenda.

ERE/0410/052 – 4 Windsor Court  
Single storey extension to form porch and cloakroom.

It was **RESOLVED** the Parish Council would approve the application subject to neighbourhood consultation.

ERE/0410/0051 – 9 The Village  
Single storey rear conservatory

It was **RESOLVED** the Parish Council would approve the application subject to neighbourhood consultation.

### 3176 **MATTERS FOR INFORMATION**

a) Arrangements have been made for PC Russell Crooks to meet the residents at School Square regarding the problems associated with parking at that location.

b) For Members to be aware that the owner of the service boxes at the Dales Shopping Centre is pursuing further responsibility in terms of a contribution to the costs of the repairs recently carried out to the service inspection covers at the Dales Shopping Centre.

c) The Ilkeston Brass Band will be playing at the West Hallam Village Hall on Sunday 11 July 2010 commencing at 2.30pm.

3177 **DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

a) The next meeting of the West Hallam Parish Council will take place on Monday 7 June 2010 in the Powtrel Community Pavilion, Beech Lane Recreation Ground, West Hallam, commencing at 7.00pm.