

An open meeting had been organised at Hyde Lea Village Hall for local residents to see and discuss the planning application for Beech Lane.

08.06 Finance.

- a) The Accounts for the year to date were presented and approved. The bank balance was £ 2576.24 and there were no un-presented cheques.
- b) Accounts for payment were presented.

Audit Commission fee	£ 58.75	400091
Clerk's salary (Dec-Jan)	£ 283.33	400092
Dunston Village Hall PC	£ 10.00	400093
Hyde Lea Village Hall –Planning	£ 7.00	400094
Total	<u>359.08</u>	

The Council approved the above accounts for payment and cheques were signed for the above. Cashbook balance £ 2217.16.

- c) Risk Analysis
The bus shelter and notice board in Dunston and the notice board in Coppenhall were reported to be satisfactory.

08.07 Planning:

Applications determined.

07/00973/FUL Coppenhall Barn, Church Lane. Amendment to roof of stable, loosebox and tractor store. Approved.

07/01035/OUT Land at Whittamoor Lane, Levedale erection of new dwelling Refused

07/01039/LUE Bryher, Bigwood Lane, Coppenhall. Usage of part of walled garden as domestic garden.

Approved

07/01078/AGR Hope Farm Whittamoor Lane, Levedale. Erection of farm building Approved

Applications pending.

07/01174/FUL1 Coppenhall Hall, Coppenhall Mews, Coppenhall. New glazed annex to rear and gates to rear courtyard.

07/01222/FUL Coppenhall Barn, Church Lane, Coppenhall. Detached single storey dwelling.

07/01291/FUL Land at Beech Lane, Coppenhall. 6 detached houses with sewers and diversion of existing public right of way.

08/00009/FUL Minster House, The Lane Coppenhall Outdoor swimming pool

Beech Lane.

The Council had viewed the plans and had received representations from neighbouring residents. The plans had been amended and different plans seemed to be sent to different people. The current plan seemed to divert the footpath onto a private road. The Council objects to the development and instructed the Clerk to write to the planning department giving the Council's objections to the proposed development. The Parish Council is not being given adequate time to consider amendments and the Planning Department seems determined to ignore proper consultations in order to achieve government target times for planning. Determination is set for 16th January although further amendments to the plans may be introduced.

08.08 Communication.

A Newsletter will not be produced until there is something of interest to communicate, however the website could report the responses to the planning application.

08.09 Precept
A draft budget and calculation of precept for £3600 had been circulated by the Clerk for consideration. This would increase the rate charge for the parish by about 2%. After discussion a budgeted expenditure for 2008/9 of £4820 was agreed.
Dunston with Coppenhall Parish Council resolved to set a precept of £3570 for 2008/9

08.10 Projects for completion in 2008.
The improvement of the band stand in Church Close and provision of wall so rkick rails to prevent damage to the grass was discussed. The land is not in the Parish Council ownership but it might be an idea to take over the maintenance of this area. Flower trough/Planters: Placing of troughs was discussed and considered a good visible sign of Council activity. Obtain prices for planters at entrances to the villages and determine what are the required permissions for placing them on the roadside.. Hyde Lea Village Hall : Funding for door changes.
Funding for projects can also be obtained from grants and Nicola Edwards was identified as the person employed by SCC who has access to all the information on grant sources and can assist in applications for funding.

08.11 Correspondence.

- a) Correspondence was presented from:
- Staffordshire County Council*
Winter Driving Leaflet
Request for proposed governor- Dunston
 - South Staffordshire Council*
Childrens Activities- 'Sussed Out'
Arts Newsletter – 'Artifacts'
Parish Council Internet Support
 - Community Council of Staffordshire*
Diary of Village Festivals and Events
Community Shops Competition
 - Staffordshire Fire & Rescue Service*
Staffordshire Safety Plan - Consultation

The Council noted the correspondence. A check will be made to see if there is still actually a vacancy for a governor at Dunston School.

08.12 Matters raised by Members
Cllr Bagnall reported that the collection of rubbish had taken place on Saturday morning instead of Tuesday. Information in the leaflet was incorrect and an unsatisfactory response had been received from South Staffordshire Council. The phone box in Church Close was not working and phones in the area were also not working BT response had been unsatisfactory.
Cllr Downes reported a Public Meeting to be held at Calf Heath Village Hall on 31st January about the Waste Recycling facility being introduced at Four Ashes. This will take waste from all over the County and will generate additional traffic.

08.13 Items for the Next Agenda

- a) Risk Analysis
- b) Projects for 2008/9

08.14 Next Meeting: The Clerk submitted a proposed calendar of dates for the Parish Council meetings. It was noted that the use of Mondays often meant that the date clashed with public holidays. After discussion it was agreed to change to a Tuesday meeting date, generally the first Tuesday in alternate months. The hall bookings will be confirmed and a new calendar will be issued.
Next meeting will be **Tuesday 4th March 2008** at Hyde Lea & Coppenhall Village Hall at 7.30pm.

The meeting was closed at 9.48 pm