

WYBUNBURY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD MONDAY 9 MAY 2011 VILLAGE HALL, MAIN ROAD, WYBUNBURY, 7pm

Present: Mr P Jackson; Mr T Lightfoot; Mr P Jackson; Mrs B Colbert; Mr D Duthie;
Mrs S Brownell; Mr S Howcroft (part); Mr J Mahon (part)

Also in attendance: Cheshire East Cllr J Clowes; Parish Council Internal Auditor;
11 members of the public.

1.0 APOLOGIES AND WELCOME

Apologies were received and accepted from Mr R Ellison-Jones. The Chairman congratulated Cllr Janet Clowes on her recent success at the Cheshire East local elections earlier this month and welcomed her to the meeting.

2.0 MATTERS ARISING FROM MAY 2010 AGM MINUTES

The Chairman reminded Members that the May 2010 AGM Minutes had been previously approved at the June 2010 Ordinary Parish Council Meeting. A short discussion took place in regard to where the items which were raised at the AGM in May 2009 were currently at.

3.0 PARISH COUNCILLOR VACANCY

The Chairman explained the reason why Mr N Arnott had his nomination form rejected by Cheshire East Council. The result of this therefore, created a vacancy. The Chairman advised that Mr N Arnott wished to continue on the Parish Council if co-opted. Mr D Duthie said that he thought the vacancy should be advertised. The Clerk had already sought advice from Chalc and explained that the vacancy did not need to be advertised as anybody who wished to form part of the Parish Council would have completed a nomination form during the Election period. Mr D Duthie still raised his concern in regard to the process and abstained from voting.

Proposed by the Chairman and seconded by Mrs S Brownell, it was **RESOLVED** that Mr N Arnott be co-opted back onto the Parish Council with immediate effect.

(Mr N Arnott joined the meeting at this point).
(Mr S Howcroft joined the meeting at this point).

4.0 FINANCIAL SUMMARY

The Clerk circulated the final 2010/11 financial summary for approval. The Internal Auditor confirmed that the summary was accurate.

Proposed by Mr N Arnott and seconded by Mrs S Brownell, it was **AGREED** that the 2010/11 financial summary be approved as an accurate record.

5.0 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT ON ACTIVITIES OVER THE PREVIOUS YEAR

The Chairman read out the report that he had prepared which detailed activities, changes and achievements by the Parish Council during 2010/11.

N. Arnott

6.0 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN FOR 2010/11

The Clerk requested nominations for the Post of Chairman for the 2011/12 financial year.

Proposed by Mr N Arnott and seconded by Mrs S Brownell; it was **RESOLVED** that Mr P Jackson continue as Chair for 2011/12

Mr P Jackson accepted this role and continued as Chairman.

7.0 ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN

Proposed by the Chairman and seconded by Mrs S Brownell, it was **RESOLVED** that Mr N Arnott take up the role of Vice Chairman for 2011/12

8.0 APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES TO SUB-COMMITTEES AND OUTSIDE BODIES

The Chairman read out the previous year's representatives and asked Members to confirm after each sub-committee was read out if any changes were to be made.

Remuneration Committee: Mr P Jackson, Mr N Arnott and Mr T Lightfoot and Mrs S Brownell

Parish Plan Representative: Mr S Howcroft

Planning Sub-Committee: dissolved (due to planning applications being discussed at Parish Council meetings).

Environment Group: Mr N Arnott, Mr T Lightfoot, Mrs S Brownell and Mr J Mahon (to look at the Sally Clarke's Lane site)

Wybunbury Village Hall Management Committee: Mrs B Colbert and Mr S Howcroft

Sand Quarry Liaison Committee (ad-hoc): Mr P Jackson, Mr N Arnott and Mr D Duthie (*it was agreed to suspend this group for the time being, as per the previous year, and reinstate if it was deemed necessary during the year*).

Tower Trust: Mr N Arnott, Mr S Howcroft and Mrs S Brownell

United Charities Estate Trustee: Mr N Arnott

United Charities Administrative Trustees: Mrs B Colbert, Ms L Buchanan

Association of Parish Council's Area Meeting: Mr P Jackson, Mr N Arnott and Mr J Mahon

Internal Auditor: The Chairman explained that Mr A Green would soon be retiring and that a replacement Internal Auditor would need to be sought.

Local Development Framework Working Group: Mr P Jackson; Mr N Arnott and Mr D Duthie.

Proposed by the Chairman and seconded by Mr N Arnott, it was **RESOLVED:** that the above Members be appointed to serve on the Committees and outside bodies as indicated for 2011/12

N. Arnott

9.0 STANDING ORDERS

The Clerk confirmed that there had been no changes made to the Standing Orders since the May 2010 Annual General Meeting. However, the National Association of Local Council's (NALC) had recently revised the Orders and a copy should be purchased by the Parish Council. One copy would cost £20 which could then be photocopied for each Member for reference. The Chairman said that this purchase would need to be approved at the next Parish Council meeting.

10.0 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

11 members of the public had attended this meeting to seek the Parish Council's views in regard to the 'Shavington Triangle' proposals (construction of approximately 500 properties to the rear of Stock Lane/Dig Lane/Newcastle Road).

The Chairman gave a detailed explanation of the current situation, Cllr J Clowes added to these comments. No planning application had yet been submitted for this development. The members of the public in attendance all lived within the vicinity of the 'Shavington Triangle' and would be affected by the development. The lengthy discussion took place with the members of the public and the Parish Council.

In conclusion, it was confirmed that the Parish Council would object to any developments on this site should a planning application be submitted. The members of this public asked if they could use the Village Hall for a 'residents meeting'. This meeting was arranged for Friday 20 May at 7:30pm. The Parish Council **AGREED** to pay for the use of the room on behalf of the residents and also **AGREED** to advertise the meeting on the Parish Council website and noticeboards. Those members of the public in attendance provided the Parish Clerk with their email addresses so that the Parish Council could keep all interested parties up to date with consultation. The Chairman, Mr N Arnott and Mr D Duthie all **AGREED** to attend the meeting on behalf of the Parish Council.

Chairman:..... *N. Arnott*

Date:..... *13.06.2011*