

**Summary of the Parish Council Meeting**  
**of the**  
**Parish of Mancetter**

Summary of the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of the Parish of Mancetter, held on 26<sup>th</sup> January 2010 at 7.00 p.m. in The School Room, St. Peter's Church, Mancetter.

**Present:**

**Chairman** Mr T Hopkins

**Parish Councillors** Mrs Marshall, Mrs S Healy, Mrs J Mawson, Mr B Hamson, Mr J Arrowsmith and Mrs D Teagles.

**Borough Councillors** Mr M Davies

**County Councillor** Mrs C Fox

**Parish Clerk** Mrs K Evans

**Apologies** Mr H Blackburn and Mrs L Freer

**Parishioner** Rev Tony Tooby (newly installed Priest in Charge of Mancetter)

**Declaration of Interest**

Mr Arrowsmith declared an interest in items 14 and 16 on the Agenda, Website and Footpaths respectively. Mr Hopkins and Mrs Mawson declared an interest in Item 11, Allotments.

**Welcome**

Mr Hopkins declared the meeting open and duly introduced the Rev Tony Tooby the newly installed Priest in Charge of Mancetter to the Parish Council. Rev Tooby informed the Council of his history and as to how he had arrived in Mancetter.

**Minutes of the previous Parish Meeting**

The minutes were accepted by all present as being a true record apart from the following comments. Mrs Healy stated that in the Cheques and Accounts section, paragraph 3 she felt it needed to be noted that the Parish Council had reviewed its policy. Mr Hamson also wanted it to be made clear that it would be the new Handyman who is constructing the cremation bay and that he is engaged as a contractor and not an employee.

**Any Other Parish Business**

Mr Hopkins stated that this was the second year that he had had to mention at the Area Forum meeting the inefficiency of the County Highways in the filling of the Grit Bins.

Mrs Marshall informed the meeting that Amanda Bennett of NWBC had obtained permission to park the BOB Bus (Branching out Bus) on the forecourt of Ridge Lane Methodist Church and Community Hall until the end of February. Villagers can board the bus for advice on benefits, jobs etc without the need to make an appointment and travel out of the village.

Mr Hamson stated that initial objections by the Parish Council concerning Network Rail (Nuneaton Chord) had been addressed and it was just a few minor points that

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were in question. It was suggested that certain items needed to be stipulated before the contract was given out to the contractors.

Mr Hamson discussing Wathen Grange said that he had written to the owner, Steve Shiner stating that he was having difficulty in contacting the Head Teacher to discuss the problems that were being caused by students at the school.

Discussing the Radio Masts in Ridge Lane Mr Hamson said that he had spoken to Dr Mike Graveney. Who had stated that the analysis had now been extended to the whole of the U K and from that a national report would be published shortly.

Mr Hopkins informed the Council that along with Mrs Mawson and Mrs Marshall he had on the 7<sup>th</sup> December 2009 attended a NWACLPC meeting, at which Mick Potter, WCC Emergency Planning Officer was the main speaker. Mr Hopkins stated that he had invited Mick Potter to come to Mancetter Parish Council in the near future to give an update on the procedures now currently being adhered to.

Mrs Fox, referring to the speed humps in Witherley Road stated that there was to be another consultation on the matter.

Mr Davis said that the Blue Boar had placed an application into the planning office for a flat roof extension and conservatory. He continued by saying that all the residents in the Almshouses were placing objections. Mr Arrowsmith said that as a resident he had not received any planning notifications. Mr Davis said that the conservatory would affect the size of the car park.

Mr Davis stated that the residents of Hillside Meadow Farm were still trying to obtain planning permission for a static caravan park via the appeals system.

### **Ridge Lane Play Facilities**

Mr Hopkins informed the Council that he had attended both a consultation and a consultation feedback concerning the Play Area in Ridge Lane. Previously it had been decided by the Parish Council to contribute towards the cost of a perimeter fence for the Play Area. He stated that he was anxious that, as of yet, no information had been received by the Parish Council concerning the perimeter fencing.

### **Cemetery and Maintenance**

The Council was informed that due to the inclement weather the handyman had not started any jobs in the Cemetery as yet. Mr Hamson stated that a risk assessment on the handyman's position had been done however one still needed to be completed on the memorials.

Mr Hopkins had been given the forms from the Bishop of Coventry Office concerning the application for a faculty for the works that had been previously discussed. He stated that after several hours of studying the forms he proposed the full project was, in his opinion, a non starter. He recommended that the path should be resurfaced and a new hand rail should be installed. Notices should be placed at each end of the

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pathway to advise visitors to the cemetery that the pathway is unsuitable for wheelchair access and that an alternative route is available.

**Allotments**

Mr Hopkins informed the Council that he had had taken several photographs of the Wells but was still to measure their depths. He also stated that all allotment tenants needed to be made aware of the wells and those who have them on 'their' allotment should be made aware that they have to cap them.

Mr Hopkins informed the Council that he had collected the rent for the next year on the Allotments and handed it to the Clerk to be banked.

**Footpaths**

Mr Arrowsmith discussing 106 money informed the Council that he was awaiting prices for the list of jobs sent to Mr Graham Wale the Footpaths Contractor.

**Date of next meeting.**

The next meeting will be on 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2010

With no other business the meeting closed at 9.45 p.m.

Signed by Chair

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