

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
CAMELEY PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT 7.30pm
11th JANUARY 2012 IN TEMPLE CLOUD VILLAGE HALL**

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PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: There were three members of the public present. Cllr Atkinson welcomed Gwenda Harvey to her first meeting although as a spectator. She looked forward to being able to welcome her return as a Councillor soon.

PRESENT: Councillors Ms Atkinson (Chair), Cllrs Mr Dando, Mr Gough, Mr Hemmings, Mr Hutchinson, Mrs Parfitt, District Councillor Mr Warren and the Clerk, Mr Scutt.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Cllrs. Mrs Harvey, Mrs Gray, Mr Welsford and Mr Hooper (Vice Chair).

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST: None were declared

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: were approved and signed.

4. UPDATE FROM CLERK ON OUTSTANDING MATTERS

The Cameley Playing Field Charity has been updated. The Clerk has written to Highways about sequencing of lights at White Cross and the A37 Pelican crossing.

5. VILLAGE HALL/PLAYING FIELD

The deterioration in the floor in the toilets and the kitchen was discussed in terms of being a potential Health & Safety issue. It was agreed to investigate safety flooring. A request was made for a contribution from the Parish Council which was discussed and was unanimously agreed in principle. The issue of the charges for Playing Field use was on the agenda for discussion however in light of the need to spend some time discussing this with the full council it was agreed to set up a single issue meeting to discuss this. It was agreed to hold this single item meeting before the February meeting starting at 7.00pm. It was reported that there was a new weekly fitness class (circuit training) every Monday between 7.00 & 8.00pm.

6. FINANCE:

The Clerk presented the Council with a breakdown of the Income & Expenditure for the year to March 31st 2012 (part actual part forecast) and a forecast for the year ending March 31st 2013. The Council discussed the forecast and made several alterations to the final budget which was approved unanimously. It was then agreed to set the precept for 2012/2013 at £18,750 – a figure which should not increase the amount paid in Council Tax by each household in the financial year 2012/2013.

It was proposed and agreed to pay the following:-

Payments made	£	Vat
(1) Clerks Dec wages	269.54	
(2) Sweepers Dec Wages	425.13	
(3) Garage rent Jan	33.36	6.67
(4) Opal printing (Parish Plan)	180.00	36.00
(5) GT Grasscare (replacement)	750.00	150.00

Payments received

(1) Parish Sweeper Jan 286.44

A member of the local St. John Ambulance branch who was hoping to take part in an exchange visit had asked whether the Parish Council had access to any source of funds or could suggest one. The Clerk would write with a contact address for the Sperring Trust and also suggest that she approach the church.

7. HIGHWAYS AND ROADSWEEPING

The Council discussed the village operative and whether the new timetable system was working and it was agreed that it was too soon to be make an informed decision. It was also agreed that Cllr Gough would make himself available as a local contact and a meeting would be arranged for him to meet the operative.

8. PLANNING MATTERS

The Council considered three planning applications:- a) The erection of a two storey extension at 1 Meadway; b) the erection of a detached garage at 4 Ashmead and c) the installation of 16 PV panels and 3 Velux Windows at North Barn Cameley Road. All three were supported.

9. PARISH PLAN – Update

It was reported that the questionnaires had been delivered to the steering group just before Christmas and would be distributed during the third week in January.

It was agreed to investigate producing a banner advertising the Parish Plan Survey and subject to the cost being appropriate to purchase one. The Clerk was asked to furnish the operatives distributing the questionnaires with a copy of the electoral roll. The operatives would be provided with hi-viz jackets with Cameley PC on the back. Since there had not been a meeting for over two months there was nothing else to report.

10. DIAMOND JUBILEE

It was agreed to hold this item over til the February meeting

11. INFORMATION EXCHANGE

District Councillor Tim Warren told the meeting that the Inspector overseeing the review of the Core Strategy had removed the need for local community support for development. His belief was that if a village qualified on the criteria for RA1 then that would be its status.

It was reported that since the Temple Inn didn't open til 2.00pm perhaps another venue be sought for the defibrillator. It was agreed to approach the Petrol Station.

The meeting was told that a permissive path (which provided a short cut) at the bottom of Nanny Hurns Lane has been closed off at the insistence of the Ramblers Association and has now reverted to its original route.

12. NEXT MEETING will be on Wednesday 8th February 2012 at 7.30pm. This would be preceded at 7.00pm by a meeting with a single item Agenda - the Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 9.00pm