

**Minutes of the Meeting of  
PERTON PARISH COUNCIL  
held at the Perton Civic Centre on  
Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2012 @ 7:00pm**

Present NP Caine [Chairman]  
R Moreton [Vice-Chairman]  
Mrs CM Young  
Mrs R Heseltine  
Mrs L Turner  
Mrs A James  
Mrs P Allen  
Mrs PN Pitt  
AK James  
C Evans  
DM Fereday  
AA Bourke  
P Adams  
B Morris

Parish Clerk - Tony Tappenden  
Members of the Public present: Seven

131/12 **APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr DJ Billson.

132/12 **PUBLIC OPEN SESSION**

No matters were raised during the public open session.

133/12 **POLICE MATTERS**

Perton Parish Council Police report meeting 9<sup>th</sup> January 2012  
Period covered 04/12/2011 – 31/12/2011.

Beat areas FX31 Mercia  
FX32 Richmond  
FX33 Leasowe  
FX34 Central

	FX31	FX32	FX33	FX34	Totals
Anti Social Behaviour	1	2	1	8	11 (+1)
ASB vehicle	2	0	0	1	3 (+1)
Criminal Damage	0	0	0	0	0 (-2)
Damage M Vehicles	0	0	0	1	1 (-2)
Burglary Dwelling	0	0	0	0	0 (-)
Burglary Other Bldg	0	0	0	1	1 (-)
Theft M Vehicle/ TWOC	0	0	0	0	0 (-3)
Theft from M Vehicle	0	0	0	0	0 (-3)
Theft other	0	0	0	1	1 (-2)
Assault	0	0	0	0	0 (-4)
Robbery	0	0	0	0	0 (-)
Drugs	0	0	0	0	0 (-1)

### **ASB**

This months anti social behaviour figures are very pleasing again. Possibly helped by three local boys being taken home to their parents for egging houses. Parents and boys were given suitable advice and placed on the anti social behaviour register.

### **Burglary**

The burglary figures continue to be pleasing. Again there were no burglary dwellings and only one burglary other building, was again a shed where a pedal cycle was stolen.

### **Vehicle Crime**

Vehicle crime went back to normal. No vehicles stolen or broken into however one vehicle was mindlessly scratched.

### **Violent Crime**

Considering this period was part of the Xmas festivities where alcohol is consumed the violent crime reports are very pleasing. There were no assaults reported or robberies.

### **Other**

The theft matter is a minor matter where offenders are caught on camera and will be dealt with. I continued the bus lane checks and the matter was reported on by the Express & Star.

**Any information please contact; - Perton's Neighbourhood Team via voicemail: -  
0300 123 2345 - PC Duncan Lampitt (04259), PCSO Teresa Nicholls (08861),  
PCSO Ashley Tooth (016722).**

**Or email [duncan.lampitt@staffordshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:duncan.lampitt@staffordshire.pnn.police.uk)**

**AND REMEMBER THE NEW NON EMERGENCY NUMBER IS 101**

Cllr Mrs R.Heseltine said that in the Express & Star last Saturday there was an article that made reference to bad crime figures at Perton and as this seems to be the opposite of the reports we are actually receiving from the Neighbourhood Police then this needs redressing.

**RESOLVED** that the Clerk will query this with the NPU and the Express and Star and send to them the police reports for the last three months and request fair play.

#### 134/12 **DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

Cllr NP Caine declared personal and prejudicial interest in cheque number 104210 paid to Ricoh UK Ltd.

#### 135/12 **MINUTES**

##### **MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 12<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER, 2011**

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 12th December 2011 be confirmed as a true record and the Chairman of the Council duly signed them.

#### 136/12 **DRAFT MINUTES**

- a) **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> January 2012 together with the income statement for December be accepted for information.

#### 137/12 **STAFFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**

- a) **County Councillors Report**  
Due to Cllr D.Billson's absence a report was not available.

Cllr A.Bourke asked if there is any update regarding the campaign and petition run by Gavin Williamson MP in respect to free school transport from Perton to Codsall High School. There was also a query raised regarding the reversion or otherwise of the Number 10 bus (formerly 501) route which has also been the subject of a local petition and involvement from our MP.

**RESOLVED** that the Clerk will request a 'current status' report from South Staffs MP Gavin Williamson and update the members accordingly.

Cllr A.K.James said that there was currently a review taking place in respect to the possible removal of the prohibition which prevents motorists leaving Perton on the Wrottesley Park Road from turning left into Perton Road and Tinacre Hill. He said that this query has now been passed to Staffordshire County Council and Wolverhampton City Council.

138/12 **SOUTH STAFFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL**

a) **District Councillors Report**

Cllr R.Moreton reported that he had attended the i54 site visit in regard to the Jaguar application which was subsequently approved. He said that this was excellent news for the area as this will initially provide seven to eight hundred new jobs with a fivefold increase in this number in support industries. Additionally he said that he has been discussing the possibility of both a new youth shelter and adult exercise trail around upper lake with Mark Jenkinson from SSDC. Mark has run these potential projects through his fund finder software and there may be some funding possibilities but to progress this we need to identify the potential costs of each project.

Cllr Mrs P.Allen said that members should take a look at the new shelter at Pattingham to understand what is now possible and we could get some information from Pattingham PC and Becky.

**RESOLVED** that the Clerk will seek to obtain budgetary costs for these two projects.

Cllr A.K James reported that there is currently a planning application from Billy Wilson for the change of use of an existing barn in association with the Tough Guy competition.

Cllr D.Fereday reported that he had attended the full Council meeting.

Cllr Mrs R.Heseltine reported that since the last Parish Council meeting she has attended the following:

13.12.2011 Full Council meeting.

20.12.2011 Three site visits: - Penkridge, Essington and the JLR site on the i54.

20.12.2011 Regulatory meeting. There were three major planning applications submitted to this meeting. The one at Penkridge was for a major development of mixed use which was refused. The application at Essington was for a clubhouse and leisure complex at a developing golf site. This application was refused. The scale of the proposed development was out of context and necessity and would be prejudicial to the Green Belt. The third major application was by Jaguar Land Rover for the construction of an advanced engine facility on the i54 site at Bilbrook. This application was approved. However, residents from Coven Heath expressed their concerns including extra traffic noise, light pollution and the removal of trees. These concerns were taken into consideration and will be looked into. There were no planning applications submitted from Perton residents.

Cllr Mrs R.Heseltine also stated that in November she attended a highways planning session and asked about the Parkway being up rated in respect to the winter gritting schedules. She said that MP Gavin Williamson has been involved and he wrote to David Wright and following his response Gavin is now on the case and will follow up. It was noted that due to the gradients Richmond Drive also needs cover but the problem is that it is now no longer a bus route.

Cllr Mrs P.Allen said that she was still concerned about allotments due to continued demand but a lack of fulfilment capability. She said that she would like a District Councillor to take up the matter as she felt that there must be alternative available sites in the proximity of the Pavilion where there is also an available water supply and car parking.

Cllr R.Moreton responded saying that Andy Cousins at SSDC is well aware of the demand but the land between Gainsborough Drive and the car park is unsuitable because of trees and their roots, he said that this causes a big issue with light penetration and the roots make the ground unmanageable. He added that other locations were looked at and the strip between the Pavilion and stream may be a possibility.

Cllr Mrs P.Allen said that at the first site mentioned a tree had fallen and thus the situation may be better than previously.

Cllr A.Bourke said that we should formally request an update from SSDC to try and move the matter forwards.

**RESOLVED** that the Clerk will invite SSDC Landscape Manager Howard Medicott to attend the next meeting and give us a view on the two locations mentioned and any other options not yet known to us.

139/12 **PLANNING COMMITTEE**

**Planning Applications received from South Staffordshire Council and reviewed by the Parish since the last Parish Council meeting on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December, 2012.**

Application No.	Proposals
11/00938/FUL	Side extension incorporating level access shower - <b>2 Cook Close, Perton, South Staffordshire WV6 7TJ</b>
11/00945/FUL	Two storey side with single storey rear extension plus detached garage - <b>21 Leasowe Drive, Perton, South Staffordshire WV6 7TX</b>

The Council raised no objections to the above proposals.

140/12 **ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT**

a) The Clerk reported that the following accounts duly authorized by designated Member signatories had been paid:

List of Payments since last reviewed at the meeting of the Council on 12th December 2011

			£
01/12/11	STO	Kalidescope Limited	48.00
01/12/11	DD	SSDC Non -Domestic Rates	1288.00
01/12/11	104200	IRIS Business Software Ltd	250.80
02/12/11	104201	Cancelled	0.00
02/12/11	104202	S.G.S. Systems Limited	1140.00
02/12/11	104203	ESPO	18.60
05/12/11	104204	Dutchwest Distribution Ltd	283.19
07/12/11	BACS	Wages Week 36	1188.71
08/12/11	104205	MGD Solutions	196.00
08/12/11	104206	CNM Online Ltd	52.78

09/12/11	104207	Post Office Limited	239.17
13/12/11	104208	The Society of Local Council Clerks	243.00
14/12/11	BACS	Wages Week 37	1320.33
14/12/11	BACS	Staffordshire CC Pension Fund	1738.98
14/12/11	BACS	Inland Revenue	2516.67
19/12/11	DD	BT One Bill (Lines, Calls & Broadband)	0.60
19/12/11	104209	Wolverhampton Friendship Centre 050 - Deposit Refund	150.00
19/12/11	104210	Ricoh UK Ltd	231.97
19/12/11	104210	Ricoh UK Ltd	67.27
21/12/11	BACS	Wages Week 38 & Month 9 Part	4269.31
23/12/11	104195	Nobisco Limited	-64.66
28/12/11	BACS	Wages Week 39	1088.67
28/12/11	DD	Veolia ES (UK) Limited	235.06
28/12/11	DD	British Gas - Electric	368.21
		<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>16870.66</b>

**b) Budget-to-date 2011/2012**

The Clerk provided a brief explanation of the budget figures which were noted.

141/12 **CLERK'S REPORT – JANUARY 2012**

Matters ongoing / resolved as at 9<sup>th</sup> January 2012

- Renegotiated Veolia waste collection contract for the next twelve months: Duty of care charge has been reduced from £10 pcm to £2.50 pcm and bin collection charge has been reduced from £15.49 per bin/week to £9.50 per bin/week.
- Campaign to Protect Rural England (CPRE) new guide entitled 'Planning explained' is available in the Clerk's office. Guide is also available via download from [www.planninghelp.org.uk](http://www.planninghelp.org.uk)

The Members thanked the Clerk for his success in renegotiating the Veolia contract and asked for this to be recorded.

**DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2012 @ 7.00 pm

The meeting closed @ 7.22 pm

**Chairman**  
**13<sup>th</sup> February 2012**