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DARNHALL PARISH COUNCIL

*MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF DARNHALL PARISH COUNCIL
HELD IN DARNHALL VILLAGE HALL ON TUESDAY 30th November 2010 at 7.30
pm*

Present Councillors L Jinks
M Davenport
S Gee
D Tomlinson
H Walker
Cheshire West and Chester Councillor Barbara Roberts

Apologies Councillor E Edwards
Cheshire West and Chester Councillor Andrew Needham
Cheshire West and Chester Councillor John Grimshaw

Absent Councillor J Hignett

Chairman's opening remarks

Opening the meeting the Chairman welcomed everyone. The chairman had done some research about the Knobs. The condition of Ivy Cottage and The Raven Inn had improved since the last meeting.

Declaration of Interests

Councillors declared that there had been no changes to their interests

Minutes

The minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting had been circulated. and since no members of the public were present they were signed as a true record.

**Proposed Councillor Tomlinson
Seconded Councillor Davenport**

Matter Arising

01/2010 The Village Hall Support Group

Councillor Gee reported that the support group had worked very hard during the year, but more help is always needed.

02/2010 Management Committee of Village Hall

Councillor Gee reported that the hall was being well used and following a booking for a week of daytime use, a number of other

bookings had been taken.

18/2010 WREN Application for Village Hall Funding

The application forms for funding from WREN for funds to improve the storage areas of the hall and some external fabric of the building have been submitted and the Parish Council authorised Councillor S F Gee and Councillor L Jinks to sign these forms on their behalf. See Minutes 7/2007 since funding from prior application was not sufficient to complete works, and Councillor E H D Wood had retired from the council. The council agreed that this had been in order and Councillors Gee and Jinks should have authorisation to sign any other applications

**Proposed Councillor Tomlinson
Seconded Councillor Walker**

19/2010 Grant from CW & C via Councillor Roberts.

Cheshire West and Chester Councillor Barbara Roberts offered a grant to be used by February for China etc for the hall.

04/2010 Residents Complaint (Mobile Library)

In spite a lot of time and work by the clerk, councillors, CW & C Councillors including approaches to our Member of Parliament and Cheshire East Council there seems no way of regaining the Mobile Library service. Thanks to Councillor Edwards a bookcase has now been placed in the porch of the Village Hall, together with various books it is hoped that residents and users of the hall will use this facility to read and exchange books.

06/2010 Speaker for Parish Assembly 2011

Unfortunately Councillor Edwards was unable to attend the meeting.

07/2010 Parish Newsletter

Unfortunately Councillor Hignett was not at the meeting. To provide information on Brownies, Guides and Dancers events, and Councillor Walker will send the Women's Institute programme as soon as possible.

08/2010 13/2010 Planning Applications

10/01397COU

10/01993/FUL

10/1814/FUL

Have all been passed

Weaver Chapel

The chairman had contact CW & C and new plans are awaited.

10/2010 Road Closure

More work has been carried out to the area from the Bridge on Hall Lane, and hopefully this will stop water flooding the carriageway.

15/2010 Cheshire FM

Councillor Jinks has been in contact with Cheshire FM regarding this.

16/2010 Speeding on Rural Roads

The clerk emailed Phil Hodgson at Cheshire Police regarding this item in a local paper, and hopefully he has contacted the Chairman.

17/2010 Deteriorating Building in Darnhall

The clerk contacted CW&C regarding Ivy Cottage and the Raven Inn.
Response

Ivy Cottage - workmen have commenced renovation (without the Authority's intervention) which I have been informed should be completed by Christmas;

Raven Inn - the land does not constitute untidy land within the criteria required to take any formal action. I appreciate that the property is unsightly but alas the Authority is restricted as to direct action. The Authority has received various pre-application enquiries re the use of this site but these details are not in the public domain and therefore I am unable to give you any further information.

However the Chairman reported that the Raven Inn had been tidied up again and the building seemed more secure.

20.2010 Payments

			Cheque Number
Clerks' payment	75.00		281
Rent Due for 1 Meeting in November	15.00		282
Village Hall Project Group	1000.00		283
Darnhall Brownies	50.00	S137	See note
Darnhall Guides	50.00	S137	See note
Darnhall Dancers	50.00	Chairman's Award	See note
Councillor Tomlinson	22.48	Chairman's Award	284

Awaiting new cheque book in order to pay altogether

**Proposed Councillor Davenport
Seconded Councillor Walker**

Councillor Jinks is still clarifying the position of Cheshire

Community Action with Jim Bradley at the Quiz Night.

21/2010 PRECEPT

After much discussion and examination of the Budget the Clerk had prepared it was agreed that the Precept should remain at £3000.00.

**Proposed Councillor Tomlinson
Seconded Councillor Gee**

External Meetings

22/2010 Reports on Meetings etc

Councillor Davenport had attended a meeting of the Local Strategic Partnership (LSP) Meeting 18 November 2010 and gave an extensive report on the speakers and the way forward.

Councillor Jinks thanked Councillor Davenport for her attendance at the meeting.

Councillor Jinks planned to attend a meeting of CHALC on the 2nd December 2010.

A Community Forum was too held at the Fourways Inn on the 14th December 2010 and it was hoped a member would attend.

Any Other Business

23/2010 Darnhall Village Hall

The group of people who hired the Village Hall for a week in November had remarked how clean the hall was, and how well they had been looked after.

Correspondence

This was passed round.

Meeting Closed at 21.30 hours

Next Meeting: to be. 25th January 2011