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THE LEA PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes Of The Meeting Held On Wednesday, 7th July 2010

In the Village Hall at 7:30 pm

Present:

Cllr Clive Grindon (Chairman)
Cllr Patrick Keef (Vice-Chairman)
Cllr Clive Tree
Cllr Brian Morgan
Cllr Mike Williams
Cllr Eunice Saunders
Cllr David Boast (After Item 5)

Annette Steele (Clerk/Treasurer)

CSO Paul Leighton & Keith Eyles-Enforcement Office, Herefordshire Council

Minute Item		Action
1	Apologies	
1.1	None	
2	Declarations of Interest	
2.1	None	
3	Minutes of the Meeting Held on 5th May 2010	
3.1	Proposed by Cllr Eunice Saunders, seconded by Cllr Brian Morgan and approved unanimously, IT WAS AGREED that these be taken as read and were duly signed by the Chairman.	
4	Clerk's progress report on actions requested in the minutes dated 5th May 2010	
4.1	The Clerk advised that the West Mercia Safer Roads Partnership have been in discussions with CHDC regarding speeding along the Mitcheldean Road. At the present time they do not recommend enforcement of the speed limit but that there may be an engineering solution following the review.	
5	Co-option of new Councillor	
5.1	Proposed by Cllr Eunice Saunders, seconded by Cllr Brian Morgan and approved unanimously, IT WAS AGREED to co-opt David Boast. He duly signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office which the Clerk will return to CHDC. The Clerk will send him a copy of the Standing Orders and Financial Regulations.	The Clerk
6	Report by Community Support Officer	
6.1	CSO Paul Leighton advised that he has been carrying out speed checks along the Mitcheldean Road and has issued 6 fixed penalty notices. He suggested that if a Parish Council representative attended the next PACT meeting then they could question what action is being taken to deal with this problem. Cllr Clive Tree offered to attend.	Cllr Clive Tree
6.2	There have been more thefts of oil and fuel as the price continues to rise and he advised parishioners to check their oil tanks regularly.	
6.3	Distraction burglaries are on the increase but this time road/utility works are being used as an excuse to gain entry to the house. The burglar will talk to the workers and as he walks towards the house waves at the men as if to indicate that he knows them. When the house owner answers the door he then says that he is with the workers and needs access to your property in connection with the work they are doing. The Police once again warn not to let anyone into your property without an appointment.	
7	Talk by Keith Eyles-Enforcement Officer, Herefordshire Council	

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7.1 The Enforcement Officer investigates incidents of fly-tipping to check if there is any evidence that can be used to prosecute the person responsible. Keith Eyles said that there is an ever increasing problem with fly-tipping and that all incidents should be reported to either CHDC or the Police.
Recently criminals have been calling on people asking if they would like garden waste/household items disposing of, they then charge the person to get rid of the items and then dump them. He pointed out that if you pay someone to dispose of items for you; you are still legally responsible if they then dump the items, even if you paid them. It is the owner's responsibility to ensure that their items are disposed of properly.
If anyone calls asking if you have any waste to get rid of, then please take their registration number and report it to either the Police or Keith Eyles on 07790 881404.
He asked the Clerk to put a note in the Lea Lines and also on the Parish Notice Boards.

The Clerk

8 Lengthsman's Scheme

8.1 Nothing to report.

9 Risk Assessment

9.1 Proposed by Cllr Brian Morgan, seconded by Cllr Clive Tree the annual risk assessment was duly signed.

10 Emergency Planning

10.1 Cllr Patrick Keef asked the Clerk to request an update from Anthony Bush re emergency planning procedures as Herefordshire Council had been undertaking a review.

The Clerk

11 Parking by Village Hall

11.1 Following discussions it was agreed that this was a matter for the Village Hall Committee.

12 Accounts, Audit, Treasurer's report and authorisation of payment of accounts

12.1 Proposed by Cllr Eunice Saunders, seconded by Cllr Brian Morgan and approved unanimously, IT WAS AGREED that the following invoices be paid and the cheques were duly signed:

Lea Lines Printing for April/May 10	20.00
Lea Lines Printing for June/July 10	20.00
Lengthsman for April 10	82.00
Lengthsman for May 10	82.00
Lengthsman for June 10	82.00
Grass-Cutting Lay-by May/June 10	56.00
Clerk's Expenses-May/June 10	133.63
Gift for Internal Auditor	30.19
Sundry Grants/Donations	300.00
Sundry Grants/Donations	100.00
Subscriptions	35.00

12.2 The following income has been received since the last meeting:

Alliance & Leicester Community Instant Reserve Interest-May 10 £0.90

Alliance & Leicester Community Instant Reserve Interest-June 10 £0.92

Alliance & Leicester Dividend £12.76

P3 Scheme Footpaths Grant 2010/11 £400.00

Lengthsman's Scheme Grant-Final quarter 2009/10 £207.00

Lengthsman's Scheme Grant-First three quarters 2010/11 £621.00

12.3 The Clerk advised that £1500.00 has been transferred from Alliance & Leicester to

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	Lloyds TSB.	
13	Chairman's Announcements	
13.1	None	
14	Correspondence-FOR INFORMATION ONLY	
14.1	The following correspondence was tabled.	
D1970	Amey Litter Support Programme	CHDC
D1971	Letter regarding stakeholder survey	Herefordshire Housing
D1972	Hfids Council Community Protection Team-Environmental Crime	CHDC
D1973	Letter of resignation from Cllr Doreen Burns	
D1974	Information Corner May 2010	Halc
D1975	Participatory Budgeting in Herefordshire-HALC Pilot Project	Halc
D1976	Self-Assessment for part-time Clerks	Halc
D1977	Training Course-Planning & Community action 31/07/10	Halc
D1978	Salt Bins-Request for data re bins	CHDC
D1979	Questionnaire supporting data for The multi-agency flood risk assessment	CHDC
D1980	Newsline Magazine	
D1981	Data Protection renewal 2010	ICO
D1982	Casual vacancy forms-Parish Councillor	CHDC
D1983	Targeted place shaping consultations	CHDC
D1984	HVA News-July 10	HVA
14.2	D1978-The Clerk will advise CHDC that the lids are missing from the salt bins at Orchard Close and by Moors Farm on the corner of the B4224 and that a bin is required at the end of Rock Lane, opposite the Church. All bins in the village will need to be filled before the winter.	The Clerk
14.3	D1979-Cllr Patrick Keef expressed his concerns about the issue of flooding in the village. The Clerk will advise CHDC of his concerns.	The Clerk
15	Footpaths Officer	
15.1	A new gate has been installed on the footpath from Lea Church to Mill Lane.	
15.2	Discussions are taking place with regards to the illegal stile at the allotments.	
15.3	The Footpaths Officer will advise the Clerk of the stiles that need either repairing or replacing together with their grid references.	Cllr Mike Williams
16	Planning Matters	
16.1	P123-DMSE100581/CD-Proposed log cabin for pre-school nursery. Lea CE Primary School, Lea HR9 7JY. Permission granted on 24/05/10.	
17	Councillor's Submissions	
17.1	Cllr Clive Tree said that there were new owners of Greenacres and that the conditions applied to the planning permission for the ménage should be monitored.	
17.2	Cllr Patrick Keef said that the sequence at the traffic lights at the crossroads did not seem to be working correctly when you approach Lea from Gloucester. The Clerk will report this to CHDC.	The Clerk
17.3	Cllr Patrick Keef proposed that the Clerk arranges for the seat opposite the church be moved when the bus shelter installation goes ahead. This was seconded by Cllr Clive Tree.	The Clerk
17.4	Cllrs Patrick Keef & Brian Morgan expressed their concerns about the speeding traffic along the Mitcheldean Road and asked the Clerk to arrange a meeting with Andrew Lee-	The Clerk

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Jones from CHDC to discuss this on site. The Clerk will arrange a meeting.

18 Public Submissions

18.1 None

19 Items for Consideration at the Next Meeting

19.1 Speeding along Mitcheldean Road
Bulb Planting

20 Date of the Next Meeting

20.1 September 1st 2010 in the Lea Village Hall at 7.30pm.

The Meeting Finished At 8:50 p.m.