

<p align="center">MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE HELD IN ARDEN HALL, CASTLE BROMWICH ON WEDNESDAY 9TH MARCH 2011 AT 19.30 HRS</p>
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Those present:

Chairman: Cllr M Hayes

Councillors:	Cllr Mrs. P Allen	Cllr E Knibb	Cllr A Terry
	Cllr Mrs. A Haywood	Cllr Mrs. L Smith	[Items 4-8nd]
			Cllr J Whelan

Officers: Mrs. C Tibbles, Clerk to the Council/RFO

Public: None.

1. Apologies.

The apologies from Cllr J Horne-MacDonald, Cllr J Riordan and Cllr Ms. J Smith were noted for the reasons given.

2. Declarations of pecuniary or other interests.

None declared.

3. Minutes of the previous Meeting.

ON THE PROPOSITION of Cllr Mrs. Smith, **SECONDED** by Cllr Mrs. Allen, **IT WAS UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday, 26th January and 9th February, 2011, having been circulated, be signed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

4. Planning Applications.

The Planning Applications received since the last meeting were considered.

Rec'd Date	Appl. No	Applicant	Location
		Recommendation to the Borough Council	
		Mr. Peter	
21/02/2011	2011/264	Burrows	5 Park Hall Crescent
		Could be approved subject to any neighbours comments	

5. Leaflet on 'Parish Councillor – Needs and Skills'.

Following discussion, the Chairman invited members to give further input and amendments to the document tabled (which would be supplied to all members). As it would not be feasible or appropriate to use at election time, the focus would be on promoting the role of a parish councillor prior to any future vacancy, with the hope of increasing awareness and interest so that elections would be a requirement.

6. Residents' Concerns.

Members noted the circulated information.

7. Pension Consultation.

Following discussion, members noted the document with interest.

8. Training.

There were no new requests for training. Unfortunately illness affected the delegates for the annual WALC Briefing Day but Cllr Whelan said it was a valuable opportunity and his report would be submitted later. Members noted the project planning training information circulated by the Clerk.

9. Payments.

ON THE PROPOSITION of Cllr Mrs. Haywood, **SECONDED BY** Cllr Knibb, **IT WAS UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that the payments as circulated by approved.

ACTION

Clerk
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MH to
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Clerk.
Post to
PA,RA,JW,
JS,MR,AT,
JHM,JR,
BW

JTW
April 11

Clerk
10/3

N.B. All Minutes are deemed as draft until formally approved and signed.

10. Clerk's Report.

Members noted that the nominations papers had been supplied to the Clerk by Solihull MBC and were available for members who wished to stand for election. Any other enquiries received would be directed to the Elections Office at Solihull on 0121 704 6045. Maps showing ward areas were available if required. Solihull Democratic Services had written to thank the Council for their views on the review of polling districts and places but had explained that the Electoral Commission placed restrictions on the number of electors that could be allocated to any polling station. The referees had been supplied as requested by a new contractor and Cllr Mrs. Allen volunteered to make contact and scrutinise works. The Chairman was requested to sign the key issue form that had recently been completed by a member of staff. Members endorsed the suggestion of polling cards being printed, should an election be held in any of the wards. The annual Licence Fee to register the parish council's interest as owners of the Sports Pavilion and Theatre Workshop was notified at £21, which would be duly processed.

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Asst Clerk
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