

Parish Council of Bournmoor

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Meeting of Bournmoor Parish Council, in the Church Hall, Lambourne Close. Wednesday 15th October 2008 at 7.00pm.

1. **Apologies were received from:- 01.10/08.** Cllr. Leonard.
2. **Present were:-** Cllr. K. Clark, Cllr. Holland, Cllr. Rowe, Cllr. Roxborough, Cllr Walker, Cllr. Garrett, Cllr. Armstrong, Cllr. Harland, Cllr. Bell (County). P.C.S.O. Donnelly (Local Beat Team) and the Clerk.
3. **Minutes of the previous meeting. 02.10/08.** Were discussed extensively and agreed amendments made for clarity before signature.
4. **Matters arising (not covered by an agenda item):-**
5. **Landfill site 03.10/08.** A further meeting to be held with County members, Conservation Groups, concerned Parish Councils and Local Residents Groups to examine findings from the Clerk, Coal Authority, Northumbrian Water and Environment Agency in preparation for meeting with Premier Waste with regard to the Willow on Landfill Site. Date to be arranged when results are forthcoming.
6. **Tenders for works funded by Parish Council. 04.10/08.** Cllr Walker requested that a note be made with regard to the fact that three quotes be obtained from independent suppliers before any work is carried out on behalf of the Parish Council. Members noted that this measure was already in place and had been operated for projects carried out in the past.
7. **Legality of expenditure. 05.10/08.** Cllr Armstrong asked that checks be made to ensure that spending of Parish Council funds outside the geographic boundaries of the Parish was legal. Clerk to report.
8. **Police Report. 07.10/08.** PCSO Donnelly informed the members that an Estate walk about and day of community action would take place on 24/10/2008. Everyone welcome. Incidents:- Youth Nuisance-6, Vehicle Nuisance-1, Damage-2, Vehicle Crime-3 and Theft-1.
9. **Standard Board Matters 08.10/08.** Members raised several matters with regard to conflict of interest. Dual hatted members acknowledged that this was a difficult area and that confusion was easily generated. Clerk to ascertain clarification of the code on the position of members with more than one interest in Village matters. .
10. **Audit 09.10/08.** No return or communication from BDO Stoy Hayward. The fact that no problems note had been received indicates that the audit has been satisfactory but the external auditors are once again very slow in discharging their duties.

11. Financial Statement. 10.10/08.

Balances are:-

Current account	£	20,8474.02
Deposit account	£	4,227.14
<u>Total</u>	£	<u>24,701.16</u>

Receipts:- Bank Interest

Payments:- Paul Griffin	Standing order	£	340.27
Staples	Ink Cartridges	£	165.58
<u>TOTAL</u>		£	<u>505.85</u>

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Any other Business.

Lengthsman funding 11.10/08. Cllr. Armstrong requested that an agenda item be placed for the next meeting to discuss the future funding of the Lengthsman.

Churchyard 12.10/08. Cllr Garrett raised the matter of the damage and disrepair within the churchyard, with specific note being made to the state of the gravestones.

Newsletter 13.10/08. Cllr Holland requested that a short note be compiled and circulated within the village to inform residents of the actions of the Parish Council. He felt the villagers were largely unaware of the good work being done on their behalf.

Dog Bins 14.10/08. Clerk reported that James Ritson of CDC had as yet to install the bins requested. These were at present at the Sacriston depot but there was an unexplained delay. Cllr Holland had been in person but was unable to contact Mr Ritson.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 21.30.