



Item 16 – Mrs Ann Moss had been a Councillor for 26 years. D. Swindell proposed a gift to recognise this service. (Pmn – donations can only be made and not funding from the Parish Council)

Item 19 – the contractor who is to provide stones to prevent HGV's driving over the edges has yet to respond. The oak bench from the former memorial is in storage. A proposal was made to site the bench on the grassed area opposite the memorial but it was agreed that litter may become a problem. Members agreed to discuss the subject at the July meeting. BT has agreed to delay the new fencing at the telephone exchange until after the fete.

30. **Circulars.**

The following documents were circulated to members;

Bank of Scotland – accounts for Parish Councils. The Clerk informed members that this account may not be appropriate because £10,000 was needed as a deposit.

Cooperative Bank plc – accounts for Parish Councils.

Grapevine newsletter.

The Local Works newsletter.

RBC minutes.

RBC Economic Prosperity Strategy for 2006/07.

West Midlands Regional Assembly newsletter.

WALC newsletter.

CPRE Field work newsletter.

31. **Correspondence.**

WALC has advised Parish Councils to examine the Warwickshire Advisory Lorry Route Map because the map will be revisited in 12months time. The Association advises Councils to be aware and comply with Equality Legislation, the Race Relations Act 1976, Disability Discrimination Act 1995 and the Gender Recognition Act 2004. The Freedom of Information Act is also to be considered and this will include a scale of charges for Council information. The Act will be an agenda item for the July meeting. A meeting to exchange experiences and ideas is to be held at Shire Hall, Warwick, on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup>.June 2006 from 10.00am.

RBC Committee papers will now be charged for hard copies of documents. These can be viewed at [www.rugby.gov.uk](http://www.rugby.gov.uk)

RBC has decided not to formerly respond to the Open Spaces Strategy consultation until the Public Inquiry report is published in June 2006.

RBC has published the Statement of Community Involvement on planning matters and the draft Biodiversity Strategy. Consultation on the documents will end on 30.6.06. The documents were circulated to members.

RBC is carrying out a strategic review of the Council's garage sites. Members agreed that the small number of Council garages in Pailton should remain and not be converted into affordable housing.

RBC has set up a new scheme to provide funding for new capital spending schemes. Grant applications for 2006/07 should be returned by the 28<sup>th</sup>.July 2006 for consideration by RBC in September.

32. **Town and Country Planning.**

Planning permission has been granted for the erection of an agricultural storage building on land at Cord Lane.

An application has been received for the erection of a single storey rear extension at No. 1 Coventry Road, Pailton. (Pmn – Listed Building Consent received 9.6.06.) Members examined the proposed plans and raised no objection. (R06/0938/PLB)

An application has been received for the erection of a dwelling on land to the rear of 40 Coventry Road, Pailton. The plans were examined and members raised the following objections;

There is not a local need for a 4 bed home in the village. Three properties of similar size have been on the market for sale for several months. The proposal is back fill development and if granted could set a precedence in the village, especially so with homes in Coventry Road, with long gardens. The access is not suitable and no measurements quoting splays has been submitted. This is a single track access and problems could be created when vehicles are entering and leaving at the same time. The views of nearby residents would be impaired. The scale and character of the proposal is not in keeping with other dwellings in the area.

33. **Parish Plan.**

The Chairman informed the meeting that no progress had been made to finalise the Plan. D. Swindell and M. Barnett agreed to join the Steering Group to finalise the Plan. The Chairman agreed to arrange an early meeting.

34 **Annual Return 2005/06.**

The Clerk had circulated copies of the completed Annual Return 2005/06, pages 1, 2 and 5, The Lloyds TSB bank reconciliation and the letter of explanation to the External Auditor. This letter explained the differences between the columns one to ten on page 2 of the Annual Return.

Mr. Moss had carried out an Internal Audit and completed page 5 of the Annual Return. Against the ten columns for completion he had entered in the affirmative.

The Parish Council was asked to complete the Statement of Assurance, page 3 of the Return. The Council acknowledge as members for Pailton Parish Council their responsibility for the preparation of the statement of account and confirmed, to the best of their knowledge and belief, with respect to the Council's statement of accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup>.March 2006in section one, that

1. The Council has prepared its statement of accounts in the way prescribed by law.
2. The Council has made proper arrangements and accepted responsibility for safeguarding the public money.
3. The Council has only done things that it has the legal power to do and conformed to codes of practice and standards in the way it has done so.
4. The Council will give all persons interested the opportunity to inspect and ask questions about the Council's accounts.
5. The Council has considered the financial and other risks it faces in the operation of the Council and has dealt with them properly.
6. The Council has arranged for a competent person, independent of the financial controls and procedures, to give an object view on whether these meet the needs of the Council.

7. The Council has taken appropriate action in response to matters brought to its attention by auditors.

8. The Council has disclosed everything it should have about its business during the year including events taking place after the year end, if relevant.

The meeting agreed to approve the Statement of Assurance and the Chairman signed the Statement of Assurance on page 3. The Chairman also signed page 2 to confirm that the accounts were approved by the Council. The 2005/06 accounts will be included on the village website.

35. **Circulation review for May.**

A representative is required from the Parish Council to attend the police PACT meetings. A. Gillias and N. Campbell (RBC) had a meeting with Insp. Gill Young to discuss the implications of PACT. The rural areas will be included in the neighbourhood to be known as the Fosse Ward. Once PACT is running there may be one or two meetings a month. A PCSO has been allocated to Pailton and other rural villages. The police may wish to use the Village Hall for a 'drop in centre'

The next Councillor's Induction Course is on the 8<sup>th</sup> July 2006 in the South of the County. The Clerk will seek the cost of a course run by the Locum Service; this could be shared with neighbouring Parish Councils.

36. **Accounts for payment and account balance.**

The following invoices had been received; these were agreed for payment and corresponding cheques signed;

Cheque No. 341 to Helen Cunliffe for refreshments for the War Memorial re-dedication - £64.94.

No. 342 to Powergen for unmetered supply - £110.72.

No. 343 to R. Candelent for salary for March/April/June - £534.09 + expenses 27.2.06 to 29.5.06. - £100.35. Cheque Total - £634.46.

The balance on the current account, statement 172, dated 17.5.06. is £3,442.98. The balance on the Parish Plan account is £2,565.33.

37. **Other matters.**

M. Barnett reported that the farm waste at the rear of St. Denis View, cleared 2/3 years ago was building up again.

Sean Lawson (RBC) is to be invited to the July meeting to talk on Environmental Crime.

M. Hodge agreed to become the village correspondent for Round the Revel.

Allocation of Councillor's responsibilities – D. Swindell agreed to take on footpaths.

M. Barnett – planning matters. M. Hodge will take on drains and grass cutting. The Chairman agreed to take on youth issues. The Clerk will continue to report on streetlights.

Standing Orders and Financial Regulations will be circulated to members via email and will be discussed at the July meeting.

A. Gillias had requested streetlight improvements for the two chicanes but WCC had declined to take action. He agreed to pursue the issue for half reflectors on the lighting columns and a double height kerb at the Coventry Road chicane with the Rugby Area Committee meeting.

No other issues were raised; the Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 9.35pm.

Signed.

Chairman.

Date.