

The Draft Minutes of the Caynham Parish Council held at Knowbury Memorial Hall on Monday 7th November 2011 commencing at 7.00pm.

1. Present:

Mr. G Williams (Chairman)
Major A H Coles MBE Mrs. M M Clent MBE
Mr. B W Hardy Mr. M Galbraith
Mrs. H Jones Mrs. S Fleetwood
Mrs. S Lowe
Mr. C E Williams (Clerk)

Members of the Public were present
Shropshire Councillor Mr. R Huffer

2. Apologies:

Mr. R Brown, Mrs. B Ashford and Mrs. D M Bromley

3. Members of the Public/Shropshire Councillor:

a) Mr. G Cummings raised a footpath matter relating to Dhustone and was advised to pass on the query to the Parish Councils Footpath Officer Peter and Jane van Duijvenvoorde (email: pvanduij@gmail.com).

b) Shropshire Councillor Richard Huffer reported that the improvement works to the steps between Spring Hill Estate and The Recreational Field had been completed and wished to express thanks to the Parish Council for the grant that had been made to enable the works to be undertaken.

4. Declaration of Personal/Prejudicial Interest:

Nil

5. Minutes:

The minutes of the meetings held on the 3rd October 2011 were approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record

6. Matters Arising from the Minutes:

The Clerk was asked to pursue Shropshire Council Planning Enforcement Officer about the concern at the use of a walkers refuge by Overdale Barn as a permanent residence were work is still being undertaken.

7. Chairman's Communications:

a) The Chairman reported on the Local Joint Committee meeting which had been held on the 20th October 2011 at Richards Castle Village Hall where there had been a presentation although very brief and uninformative about the proposed new Ludlow Hospital.

The Parish Council was also asked to support the Broadband campaign for better broadband facilities in the area by emailing Alison.Brock@shropshire.gov.uk this was agreed by the Council.

The next meeting of the Local Joint Committee will be held on the 1st March 2011.

b) The Chairman will attend the annual service of remembrance at Knowbury and Clee Hill on Sunday 13th November 2011.

c) Helen and Alan Jones have researched and produced extensive information on each of the men, (there were no women), whose names are recorded on the War Memorial located outside the West door of Saint Paul's Church Knowbury and have produced folders of information copies of which they have presented to the British Legion and to Saint Peter's and Saint Paul's Churches.

The research into the backgrounds of those men from our Parish, who gave their lives in the two world wars is most comprehensive and most interesting and was obviously the result of a very long and detailed period of investigation.

This finished document is a most important record of history within the Parish.

The Parish Council recorded its appreciation for the work that had undertaken by Helen and Alan in their detailed research and documentation.

As a result of these investigations it has come to light that one **Henry Genner**, son of William and Mary Genner of Knowbury, was awarded the Distinguished Conduct Medal, DCM, for gallantry in the field of battle. This medal is the highest of decorations and in precedence lower only to the Victoria Cross.

At the time it was not recorded on the memorial and after checking with the appropriate authorities, it emerges that it should have been but was overlooked, due to late publication in the London Gazette.

Clee Hill and District Branch of the Royal British Legion has requested that the Parish Council add the letter "DCM" after the name of Henry Genner on the stone memorial.

The Parish Council agreed to the request and authorized Cllr A H Coles to arrange for the necessary work to be undertaken.

d) The Parish Council had no objection to the transferring of the Broadplace from the Recreational Room Clee Hill to the Community Room at Three Crosses Clee Hill.

8. Highways Items/Amenities:

Cllr B Hardy raised concerns about the repair work that had recently been undertaken along Caynham Road as you travel from Knowbury to Clee Hill the Clerk will take the matter up with Shropshire Council Highways Section.

9. Planning Items:

a) The Parish Council considered the following Planning Applications:

11/03899/FUL – Erection of a Photovoltaic Array – Cobblers Cottage 7 The Brickyard Collybrook Park Knowbury – No Objection

11/04655/FUL – Erection of a single storey extension with balcony cover over – Health Farm Tenbury Road Clee Hill – No Objection

11/04537/FUL – Erection of two-storey and single storey extension – Lineside Cottage 16 The Crescent Clee Hill – No Objection

b) The Clerk reported that Shropshire Council have arranged a number of Workshops to walk through the process of reviewing the Local Place Plans and also to give further explanation of the Community Infrastructure levy and the implications to Parish and Town Councils to which representatives of the Parish Council have been invited. Cllr B Ashford and Cllr S Lowe will be attending the workshop to be held at Craven Arms on the 25th November 2011.

10. Reports from other Organisations:

Cllr S Fleetwood reported on the opening of the new Bishop Hooper School at Ashford Carbonell on the 1st October 2011 which has resulted in the closure of Caynham School.

Both Teachers and Children were thrilled with the new facilities an official opening will be held in the New Year there were still a few issues outstanding relating to the lighting and security fence a meeting will take place on the 9th November between Shropshire Council and the Reference Group in an effort to resolve the issues.

11. Financial Items:

The Parish Council approved the following accounts for Payment:

British Gas – electricity Toilets - £37.23

Clee Hill and District Recreational Facilities – Play Area Insurance - £160.00

J Radnor – Strimming Car Park Area - £45.00

Inter Public – Supplies Toilets - £60.00

P Edwards – Salary - £153.00

Knowbury PCC – Magazine - £5.00

Royal British legion – Wreath - £35.00

12. Other Items:

a) Notice Boards Knowbury – The Clerk will place an order for the two notice boards on confirmation that the South Shropshire Housing Association will install and meet the cost of one of the notice boards which were approximately £350 each.

b) Queens Jubilee Celebrations – Arrangements for appropriate celebrations were being made by volunteers for the communities of Caynham and Knowbury but no progress was reported in respect of Clee Hill.

It has been suggested that the parish Council give consideration to the supplying of a framed photograph of the Queen for the hanging in the three village halls.

13. Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be held on Monday 5th December 2011 at Knowbury Memorial Hall commencing 7.00pm

Chairman