

CROXLEY GREEN PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF the 253rd MONTHLY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER
ON THURSDAY 25 FEBRUARY 2010

Present: Cllr Birch in the Chair David Allison – Clerk to the Council
Amanda Taft – Minute Taker

Cllrs Bennett, Hollands, C Jefford, Martin, Norman, Saxon, Seabourne (arrived late at 8.19pm during CC750/10), Seeley, Shafe and Vassiliou

Not Present: Cllr Brand

Voting Members: 10 rising to 11 from 8.19pm.

CC744/10 Apologies for Absence

Apologies had been received from Cllrs Bains, Brading, Dann and Wynne-Jones.

CC745/10 Declarations of Interest by Members

There were no declarations of interest.

CC746/10 Representations from the Public

There were no public present.

CC747/10 Minutes

Resolved:

- that the Minutes of the 252nd monthly meeting of the Council held on Thursday 28 January 2010 be approved and signed by the Chairman.

CC748/10 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

CC749/10 Committee Reports

CC749.1/10 Environment and Amenity Committee held on Tuesday 2 February 2010

Resolved:

- that the unadopted minutes of the Environment and Amenity Committee held on Tuesday 2 February 2010 be adopted as a report of the meeting.

CC749.2/10 Any matters arising

There were no matters arising.

CC749.3/10 Planning and Development Committee held on Wednesday 3 February 2010 and Wednesday 17 February 2010

Resolved:

- that the unadopted minutes of the Planning and Development Committee held on Wednesday 3 February 2010 and Wednesday 17 February 2010 be adopted as a report of the meeting.

CC749.4/10 Any matters arising

There were no matters arising however it was pointed out that application 09/1932/FUL in the Minutes of 3 February 2010 (PD1286/10) had two application descriptions, the second of which was a computer error.

CC749.5/10 Finance and Administration Committee held Thursday 11 February 2010

Resolved:

- that the unadopted minutes of the Finance and Administration Committee held on Thursday 11 February 2010 be adopted as a report of the meeting.

- CC749.6/10 Any matters arising
There were no matters arising.
- CC750/10 Treatment of Future Committee Reports – Adoption at Full Council
The Chairman introduced this item and referred Members to the previously circulated document. It was pointed out that the intention was not to stifle debate but merely to have a more logical method of agreeing and adopting Reports of meetings to Council.
Resolved:
- that for a period of 12 months, when the matter will be reviewed, Minutes of Committee meetings will be agreed at the relevant Committee prior to being adopted as a report at Council.
- CC751/10 Adverse Weather Conditions Working Arrangements
This item was introduced by the Chairman and the Clerk reminded Members that this had been discussed at the Finance and Administration meeting of 11 February 2010 (FA581.1/10 refers). The Clerk advised that he had discussed this with Hertfordshire Highways only today and that they were not opposed to giving some degree of cover for actions invoked by them, ie on their authority and in association with Three Rivers District Council. The Clerk added that he would like to review the detail and build it in to the existing draft document. It was asked if the draft Adverse Weather Conditions Working Arrangements policy could be amended and circulated before being placed on the Agenda for the March Council meeting. The Clerk asked for any comments to be submitted within seven days.
- CC752/10 Staff Confidentiality Agreement Policy
The Chairman introduced this item and a brief discussion ensued.
Resolved:
- that the words 'and is not to be imparted to a third person without the express permission of the Clerk' be removed from the end of the third paragraph;
 - that this policy with the agreed amendment be implemented.
- CC753/10 Community Village Hall Flood Prevention Measures
The Chairman introduced this matter and the Clerk advised that he had no further information. It was suggested that following recent articles in local publications, it would be a good idea to use the Parish Pump to deliver correct, current information about the Community Centre/Village Hall to local residents. The matter will be discussed further at a future Finance and Administration meeting.
- CC754/10 Correspondence
- CC754.1/10 Councillor requested correspondence
None
- CC754.2/10 Other correspondence
The Clerk referred Members to the previously circulated list of other correspondence. The Clerk was asked why a letter to a member of staff was listed to which he replied that Cllrs may be more concerned if it had not been listed. When asked for further information about this matter, the Clerk stated that this was a confidential matter and that the relevant information was not to hand. The Chairman recommended that the issue should be discussed at the next Council meeting during a Part Two session.
- CC755/10 Closure
There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.58pm.