PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF THE PARISH OF MANCETTER

Summary of the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of the Parish of Mancetter, held on Tuesday 27th July 2010 commencing at 7 p.m. in the School Room, St. Peter's Church, Mancetter.

Present:	
Chairman	Mr T Hopkins.
Parish Councillors	Mrs J Marshall, Mr J Arrowsmith, Mr H Blackburn,
	Mrs D Teagles, Mr B Hamson, Mrs J Mawson, Mrs S
	Healy.
North Warwickshire	Mrs L Freer.
Borough Councillors	
Parish Clerk	Mrs K Evans.
Parishioner/Contractor	Mr B Stevenson
Apologies	Mrs C Fox, Mr M Davis. (Attending Area Forum
	Meeting)

Welcome

The Chairman welcomed all present. Mr Hopkins informed the Council that he had sent a 'blanket' apology to the Area Forum Meeting stating that there was also a Parish Council meeting in Mancetter, this evening, therefore there would be a nonattendance of Mancetter Councillors at the Area Forum meeting.

Declaration of Interest

Mr Arrowsmith declared an interest in items 12 and 14 on the Agenda, Website and Footpaths respectively. Mr Hopkins and Mrs Mawson both declared an interest in Item 10, Allotments.

Matters arising from the Annual Parish Council Meeting.

Mrs Teagles stated that the tipping of rubble at the bottom of Mill Lane seems to be turning into some kind of landing stage at the edge of the water.

Any other Parish Business

Mr Stevenson informed the Council of his latest activities in his role of the Parish Handyman. He stated that he had been painting the railings in the cemetery, had cleaned the bus shelters, tidied around the notice board in Mancetter, as well as carrying out general maintenance works around the Parish. Mr Stevenson continued by stating that he had removed some graffiti in Mancetter. Mr Hopkins informed the Council that a tree has been donated to the Parish and he along with Mr Stevenson had planted it in the cemetery.

Reports from the Borough and County Councillors

Mrs Freer stated that the Borough Council had extended the contract on re-cycling. This will now include the usual recycling items, but in addition plastic and cardboard was also going to be collected from resident's doorsteps.

A brief discussion ensued concerning the proposed application to increase the lorry movements in and around the Quarry. Mr Hamson stated that he was very concerned that the report that had been distributed had been written by an associate of Tarmac, which in his opinion was not an independently written report and was based mainly on a noise survey.

Mrs Freer stated that the Borough will also be submitting their own observations. Mr Hopkins suggested that Mrs Freer's counterparts in Chapel End should also be contacted.

Mrs Healy stated that she would like to see a caveat placed on how far the asphalt products can be dispersed. Mr Hamson stated that as far as he was concerned there were only two quarries in the West Midlands that were mining this particular product.

Mrs Freer stated that Mancetter was a most beautiful place and re-iterated that the building of a new road was the best option. A discussion ensued concerning the building of a new road and the best route to be taken.

It was decided that the Clerk would write to Ian Grace at Warwickshire Planning Authority stating the observations and objections held by Mancetter Parish Council. It was agreed by all that the letter would strongly oppose the application, objecting to the increased frequency of traffic, noise and pollution.

Standing Orders

The Council members discussed thoroughly the new model set of standing orders and changed them to suit the needs of Mancetter Parish Council.

Bench in Ridge Lane

Mr Hopkins informed the Council that he had purchased the bolts needed to repair the vandalised bench in Ridge Lane. Mr Hopkins also informed the Council that he would repair the bench himself, free of charge.

Allotments

Mr Hopkins informed the Council that it was the intention of all allotment holders that have wells on their land to place man-hole covers over the top thus making them secure.

Emergency Planning Document

Mrs Mawson informed the Council that she had, along with Mr Arrowsmith and Mrs Teagles attended a meeting to discuss the Emergency Planning Document

Planning

The Hillside Meadow Farm Planning Application was discussed again. Mr Hopkins stated that it was not conforming to the original Warwickshire Structure Plan. Mr Hopkins stated he was becoming increasingly concerned as there were a high number of caravans moving onto the land.

Footpaths

Mr Arrowsmith stated to the Council that he would be commenting on the Draft Rights of Way and Recreation Highway Strategy for the Parish Council.

With no further business Mr Hopkins closed the meeting at 10.10 p.m. Date of next meeting Tuesday 28th September 2010.