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 28th September 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, Mr B Hamson, Mrs S Healy.
Parish Clerk	Mrs K Evans.
Police Representative	PCSO Ashleigh Wynder
Apologies	Mrs D Teagles, Mrs J Mawson, Mrs C Fox, Mr M Davis and Mrs L Freer.

Welcome

Mr Hopkins welcomed everyone present. He informed the Council of the death of Mr Clifford Albrighton a previous long standing serving member on the Parish Council. A minutes silence was held as a mark of respect.

Mr Hopkins also welcomed PCSO Ashleigh Wynder. Mr Hopkins informed the PCSO of the presence of a group of youths with two motorbikes in Ridge Lane earlier that day.

Mr Hamson told PCSO Wynder that he had received a complaint from a resident in Wakeford Close who had commented that the perimeter fence around the radio masts was damaged and that alarm system in a building was ringing frequently.

Mrs Healy asked the PCSO in review of the anti-social behaviour that was suffered in Priory Walk last summer could the authorities organise some play activities for next years school holidays. Mr Hopkins agreed with Mrs Healy's comments and stated that the field, which is County owned, and the garages which are Borough, were areas that had been the subject of formal complaints by local residents.

Mr Hopkins asked PCSO Wynder if he had any information on the scrap metal tatters who had been recently patrolling the area. The PCSO replied that he did not have any further news but added that despite the police having being given car registrations numbers by the public, the police were no further forward in their enquiries as sometimes false number plates are used.

The PCSO stated that the police do check the rubbish for addresses or other links to the perpetrator, the best thing was to actually catch them in the act.

Declaration of Interest

Mr Arrowsmith declared an interest in items 14 and 16 on the Agenda, Website and Footpaths respectively. Mr Hopkins declared an interest in Item 12, Allotments.

Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes were declared to be a true and accurate record.

Matters arising from the previous meeting

Mr Hopkins stated that the planning approval had been granted again on the Stoneleigh Quarry Farm Site occupied by the travellers with planning permission being granted for the stables.

Mr Hopkins stated that there was a special Quarry Liaison meeting to discuss the new proposed extended working hours of the Quarry

A brief discussion ensued concerning the proposed extension of the working hours and it was decided that another letter should be written to Warwickshire County Council still objecting.

Mr Blackburn stated that the planning application for a new hotel had been refused in Purley Chase due to the excessive traffic that it would bring.

Any other Parish Business

Mr Arrowsmith stated that he had seen graffiti on the footbridge over the railway at the rear of Manor Road.

Reports from the Borough and County Councillors

As the Community Awards ceremony was being held in Atherstone on the same evening the Borough and County Councillors had all sent in apologies.

Standing Orders

Mr Hopkins stated that he had scanned through the new altered set of standing orders and apart from one anomaly concerning the page numbers he thought that all the changes had been made as had been previously agreed. Mr Hamson proposed and Mrs Marshall seconded the new set of 2010 Standing Orders.

Assessment Review

It was decided that the Councillors and Clerk involved in the devising of the risk assessments last year should review them and bring the revised copies back to the next meeting so that they can be adopted.

Mr Hopkins informed the Council that all the wells at the allotments are covered stating that photographs had already been given to the Clerk as evidence, for filing.

Allotments

Mr Hopkins informed the Council that formal notice had now been served on the holder of Allotment 12b. Two letters had already been sent forewarning him of his imminent repossession. The Clerk was told that she could inform the new tenant of his tenancy for the allotment 12b. Mr Hopkins said that the new tenant was the next person on the waiting list (who had actually been on the list for over 4 years)

Planning

It was decided that the training sessions with Jeff Brown at NWBC would be attended again by members of Mancetter Parish Council. Mr Hopkins and Mrs Evans would attend the 3rd November meeting and Mr Hopkins, Mrs Healy and Mr Hamson would attend the meeting being held on 18th November.

Footpaths

Discussing the emergency meeting held on 14th September it was made known that due to the short notice in calling the meeting not every member of the Parish Council attended but the meeting was quorate, therefore was able to commence.

Mr Arrowsmith stated that Mr Martin Fry from W C C did seem to be in agreement that the 106 monies can come back to the Parish. Mr Fry stated that he needed a formal request from the Parish Council to indicate what the funds will be spent on.

Mr Arrowsmith asked the Clerk if the P3 money had been received yet. The Clerk answered that it had not. Mr Hopkins stated that the Parish Council is not happy to accept a lower standard of workmanship as Mr Fry had inferred that the County Council had already had to do. Mr Blackburn said that long term the situation would not be cost effective. Mr Hopkins stated that the standard must be maintained and he continued by saying that as there is still money in the reserves, this could be used for the Cemetery and Footpaths if needed, but once any difference is needed serious consideration would be given to some reallocation of reserves.

Mr Fry will not know until February what funds will be available from the County Council for the coming year, which makes it a decidedly tricky situation for the Parish Council when considering the Precept which has to be set in the previous November. The Footpath tender will need a clear proviso dependent upon receiving the money from the County Council.

With no further business the meeting was closed at a record 9.05 p.m.

Next meeting on 23rd November 2010.