

# NEWBOLD PACEY AND ASHORNE PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 24<sup>th</sup> July 2006

**PRESENT: Councillors:** P Cook (Chair), C Butterworth, S Bolton, M Griffiths, J Cooper and 1 member of the public.

### **1. Apologies for absence**

Apologies were received from Cllr Thornton.

### **2. Matters arising**

#### **a. Village Green application**

Cllr Cook opened the meeting by reading recent correspondence received from Ladders Solicitors which stated that the Parish Council needed to make a decision as to whether they wished to continue their application before 27<sup>th</sup> July. The Parish Council were also informed that it was reasonably certain that the application would be rejected so the decision to make was either to let this go forward to rejection or to withdraw the application.

Cllr Griffith felt that the upside of withdrawing the application would be that should the laws determining the current application alter then the application could be resurrected.

Cllr Cooper stated that she felt that a new licence for the Cricket Club was not forthcoming due to the outstanding application. Cllr Cook stated that Mr Darling was not following up on promises to date as a private meeting with the Parish Council had still not eventuated. Cllr Griffith questioned whether a withdrawal rather than a rejection of the application would make any difference to Mr Darling. Cllr Cook replied that she did not think it would however Cllr Butterworth wondered whether Mr Darling would not consider the application to be closed if it was just withdrawn.

Cllr Bolton questioned what the view of the Cricket Club was and Cllr Griffith replied that the Club wanted the application halted.

Cllr Butterworth pointed out wording within the solicitors letter which made it appear that the application could be resurrected in the future whether it was rejected or withdrawn now if there was a change in the law.

Cllr Cook called for a vote on the matter. Cllr Bolton proposed the application be withdrawn and this motion was seconded by Cllr Butterworth. The Parish Council were in unanimous agreement.

*Clerk to inform County Council of decision.*

#### **b. Middle Cottage**

Several Cllr's expressed concern over the ongoing work to Middle Cottage, in particular the recent demolition of the gable end. The Parish Council unanimously agreed to contact the Enforcement Department and request a site visit.

*Clerk to write to enforcement.*

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 8.15pm.