

Melbourne Parish Council

Mrs J Storer, Clerk to the Parish Council, 2 Mansfields Croft, Etwall, Derbyshire DE65 6NJ



Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Melbourne Parish Council held at 7.00pm on Monday 19th October 2015 at the Lounge Room, Melbourne Assembly Rooms, High Street, Melbourne

1011. Councillors Present: Cllr Earp (Chair), Carroll, Collyer (to 7;30pm), Hicklin, Howard, Jackson, Minifie, Parker, Sharp, Smith, Stockill.

In Attendance: Mrs J Storer

1012. Apologies: Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Minifie, Cllr Willmore (Personal), Cllr Dunnicliff (Personal)

1013. Declaration of Interests: No declarations were made.

The Chair moved the following resolution - That in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted it is advisable in the public interest, that the press and public be temporarily excluded and they are instructed to withdraw.

RESOLVED unanimously to move into the confidential section of the meeting.

The Chair reminded all present that this was a confidential meeting and that all discussions and reports received in this section should remain confidential.

1014. To consider the complaint received regarding actions taken in relation to the removal of ashes at the Packhorse Road Cemetery

A family had circulated an email dated 8th October 2015 regarding the removal of ashes from a grave. The Clerk had circulated to all Councillors a confidential report, which addressed the concerns and observations raised in the family's email.

The Council discussed and investigated the contents of both the email and the Clerk's report.

RESOLVED:

1. The correct procedures were followed by the Clerk and Sexton and their actions were fully endorsed by the Parish Council.

2. The Clerk has the support of the Parish Council.

3. The Parish Council accepts that the correct legal procedures were followed, and will apologise for any distress and upset caused whilst following these procedures.

4. A separate meeting will be held to discuss if changes are required and what, if any, these changes should be.

There being no other business, the Chair closed the meeting at 7.50pm.