

**Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Melbourne Parish Council held at 7.30pm  
on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2009 at the Bill Shone Leisure Centre, High Street,  
Melbourne**

**Present:** Cllr D Smith (Chairman), Cllr Carroll, Collyer, Crawford, Dunnicliff, Earp, Freeman, Hicklin, Howard, Jackson, Moore, Parker, Sharp

**In attendance:** 2 police officers, Cllr Hewlett, 2 members of the public, 2 members of the press.

**351 Public Question Time**

The latest crime figures were provided by the police officers

It was queried if notification of crimes could be included in the Village Voice; the police officers informed that notices will be placed in the Village Voice when it is possible.

A physical police presence was requested to be in the town on Friday nights.

Some CCTV cameras are not working well but a scheme is in hand to obtain a new system which could be extended to Melbourne and which would be wireless.

The mobile unit is to work on its own in the area, the first area being Melbourne. The results are awaited before a decision is made as to whether it will be extended.

PC Croxall will attend every other Parish Council meeting

The Parish council was asked whether the Village Plan Committee has asked the Parish Council to remove the Leisure Centre Manager. A definite response was given that no such request has been made. A discussion took place about the provisions of the TUPE regulations. The Parish Council considered the possibility that a public meeting maybe held. Cllr Crawford requested that a decision is made to have a public meeting before the decision relating to the Leisure Centre is made and that the Leisure Centre manager's representative should have been informed. Cllr Collyer stated that he would be happy to meet on a one to one basis.

A member of the public enquired when the hedges would be cut.

**352 District and County Council reports**

Cllr Harrison's apologies were accepted

Cllr Hewlett

The plan from EMA is not adequate and there is no mention of sound insulation grants

Vehicle Activated Sign on Cockshut Lane and Robinson Hill – the Parish Council was asked to comment about one for The Common

No consultant has yet been appointed but a request is for 7.5 tonne weight limit signs to be erected on the A50.

There is to be an Electoral Boundary Review Commission for South Derbyshire with Parish Councils being consulted

There is to be better use of the sale of the land with 50% being towards a grant for disabled toilets

**353 To receive apologies for absence** – received and accepted from Cllr Statham and Willmore

**354 Declaration of Members interests** – Cllr Dunnicliff declared a personal (?) interest in planning application 9 2009 0672 NO

**355 To confirm the Non-Exempt Minutes of the Meeting held 1<sup>st</sup> September 2009**

The minutes of the meeting held 01.09.09 were read and signed as a correct record by the Chairman.

**356 To determine which items if any from Part 1 of the Agenda should be taken with the Public excluded – none**

**357 To receive the reports of Committees – September 2009**

Burial – approved  
Highways and Street Lighting – approved  
Recreation and Amenities – approved  
Leisure Centre – approved

**358 Financial Matters**

Receipts of £2951.12 were noted and approval was given for the payments of £13396.25 for September 2009.

**359 Chairman's remarks**

The Chairman reported on his attendance at Police HQ at Ripley and explained about Restorative Justice, the closure of cannabis farms and the breaking up of gangs. There are no organised crime rings in Derbyshire but there are 2 armed gangs within Derby City. A demonstration by the Drugs Squad was also received.

The Festival was a great success and well attended. A letter of congratulations is to be sent, however a car was vandalised and the school was broken into.

**360 To receive reports from representatives on outside organisations**

- a) Safer Neighbourhood - Cllr Carroll reported on anti-social behaviour in Aston on Trent and at Shardlow
- b) Lothian Gardens - Cllr Moore reported that these are in a reasonable condition
- c) Festival - Cllr Freeman enquired as to why the financial report of the event is not published
- d) Parish Plan - Cllr Jackson reported that the final meeting will be held at the end of October

**361 Clerk's Report**

Correspondence received in September was given to the meeting

**362 EMA Noise Action Plan – Comments to be made by 21<sup>st</sup> October 2009.**

Cllr Dr Freeman was authorised to send the comments of the Parish Council

**363 Members items for report and consideration**

Cllr Hicklin asked if any street lights had been removed for the new Development in Derby Road.

**364 Planning**

9 2009 0660 FH – amendment to 9/2007/0887 Surfs Up  
NO OBJECTIONS

9 2009 0685 FM – Training Centre at Chapel Street convert to two self contained apartments  
NO OBJECTIONS

9 2009 0724 HR – removal and replacement of hedgerow land to the east of  
Melbourne Hall  
NO OBJECTIONS

9 2009 0725 FH – replacement windows at 81 Castle Street  
NO OBJECTIONS

9 2009 0728 TC – pruning of a copper beech at The Hermitage, Penn Lane  
NO OBJECTIONS

9 2009 0731 FO – The erection of a dwelling at 14 Grange Close  
NO OBJECTIONS

9 2009 0749 FH – the change of use of offices to dental surgery, Castle Street  
NO OBJECTIONS

9 2009 0763 TP – pruning of trees at Baptist Church, Chapel street  
NO OBJECTIONS

9 2009 0786 TC – pruning of holly trees at Dower House, Church Square  
NO OBJECTIONS

9 2009 0788 TC – felling of a maple tree at 65 Derby Road  
NO OBJECTIONS

9 2009 0804 FH – extensions and alterations at 55 Commerce Street  
NO OBJECTIONS