

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
TUESDAY 26th JUNE 2007 AT
THE PARISH CENTRE LOCKLEYS DRIVE WELWYN
WHICH COMMENCED AT 8.06PM**

PRESENT: Chairman, Councillor J Roper and Councillors M Benson, J Blackburn, S Butler, H. Hughes, C Hukin and P Neville.

IN ATTENDANCE: R. Findlay (Clerk to the Council), J. Lewis (Senior Office Administrator) and Welwyn Hatfield Borough Councillor, Andrew Canter.

APOLOGIES: Councillors L McLusky (holiday), L. Page (other commitments) and I. Skidmore (holiday).

2007/73: DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST. None.

2007/74: MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE FULL COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 29TH MAY 2007.

Subject to the following amendments, the minutes were signed as a true and accurate record by the Chairman.

Minute 2007/66 – Date of meeting of Council amended from 25th June 2007 to 26th June 2007.

Minute 2007/62 – Digswell Playing fields – The word, “perusal” amended to “pursuance”

2007/75 MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE FULL COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 29TH MAY 2007

Christmas Lights – This item is to go onto the Leisure & Open Spaces Committee agenda.

NALC Conference – The Clerk reported that no Councillors had so far indicated that they would be attending this event.

Parish Guide – The item is to go on the agenda of the next Council meeting.

2007/76 FINANCE.

Cllr. Neville, the Vice Chairman of the Finance Committee reported that the Finance Committee was unable to meet on 12th June 2007 as there were insufficient members of the Committee present to form a quorum.

Cllr. Neville presented the Council’s ‘Receipts and Payments’ for May 2007

It was **RESOLVED** that payments for May 2007 totalling **£27,457.55** be approved.

Cllr. Neville presented the Council’s ‘Receipts and Payments’ for the period 1st.June 2007 to 18th June 2007, inclusive.

It was **RESOLVED** that payments for the period 1st June 2007 to 18th June 2007 totalling £10,882.39 be approved

Resolved, the Balance Sheet for the months for May 2007 and June 2007 be accepted.

2007/77 COUNCILLORS’ CODE OF CONDUCT.

The Clerk asked that Councillors read and consider the New Code of Conduct And an item be placed on the agenda for the next Council Meeting.

Initials.....

- 2007/78 WELWYN FESTIVAL WEEK STALL.**
It was reported that Welwyn fun day and the Parish Council's stall had been a success.

The Council recorded its appreciation for the work of the Council staff.
- 2007/79 MOTOR CROSS BIKE TRACK.**
The Chairman reported correspondence had been received requesting provision of a cycle track with a convenient storage facility for tools and equipment.

It was **RESOLVED** that this request be passed onto the Council's Youth Working Party and that the Clerk respond to Mr Males inviting him to attend the next meeting of the Working Party.
- 2007/80 REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND WORKING PARTIES.**
Planning:
The Chairman of the Planning & Licensing Committee, presented Minutes of the Committee held on 5th June 2007

It was **RESOLVED** to set up a Working Party to consider the Welwyn Planning Appraisal. It was agreed that there would be three representatives from the Parish Council, two from the Welwyn Planning and Amenity Group and two from the Parish Plan Steering Committee.

Leisure & Open Spaces Committee:
Chairman of the Leisure & Open Spaces Committee, presented Minutes of the Committee's meeting held on 19th June 2007 He also presented notes from the Civic Centre Working Party's meeting held on 31st May 2007.
- 2007/81 REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES.**
None.
- 2007/82 COUNCILLORS' WRITTEN REPORTS.**
None.

Exempt Business

Under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the public and accredited representatives of newspapers be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act by virtue of the paragraph specified against the item.

- 2007/83 COUNCIL VACANCY.**
The Clerk was asked to contact the candidates to ask for more information about them.
- 2007/84 CIVIC CENTRE UPDATE.**
There was nothing further to report.
- 2007/85** The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.28pm.

Signed:.....Chairman of the Council

Dated:.....