

# FORSBROOK PARISH COUNCIL

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## MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 16TH JUNE 2014 AT BLYTHE BRIDGE AND FORSBROOK VILLAGE HALL.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Councillor Mrs. G. Burton (Chairman),  
Councillor Miss S. Farr,  
Councillor F. J. Hopley,  
Councillor P. Jones,  
Councillor Miss J. P. Morris,  
Councillor A. J. Mould.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** County Councillor W. Day,  
Mr. Bruce Wilken, (Headteacher at the William Amory  
Primary School),  
Mrs. Helen Bickerton, (Care and Fun Club),  
Representative from the Care and Fun Club (1),  
Residents (7),  
Mrs. C. J. Snape (Clerk).

### 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies were received from Councillor Mrs. C. R. Hopley, Councillor Mrs. P. Shufflebotham, Councillor Mrs. N. A. Stanier, Councillor J. W. Cornwall, Councillor A. E. Wilson and Councillor B. Yates.

### 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

Item	Member declaring interest	Nature of interest
Staffordshire County Council – William Amory Primary School – Planning Application SM14/06.	Chairman Councillor Mrs. G. Burton. (Note: Chairman Councillor Mrs. G. Burton did not take part in discussions with regard to this planning application).	Personal – Chairman of Governors at the William Amory Primary School.
Staffordshire County Council – William Amory Primary School – Planning Application SM14/06.	Councillor F. J. Hopley. (Note: Councillor F. J. Hopley did not take part in discussions with regard to the planning application).	Personal and prejudicial – Treasurer of the Care and Fun Club.
Staffordshire County Council - Highway Issues  Tesco	Councillor P. Jones	Personal – Staffordshire County Council Highway Officer Mary Anne Raftery personal friend. Personal – employee of Tesco.
Foxfield Steam Railway	Councillor A. J. Mould	Personal – volunteer at Foxfield Railway.

### 3. OPEN SESSION.

#### **Standing Orders were suspended.**

3.1 William Amory Primary School - subject: Planning Application SM.14/06 – proposed mobile classroom.

Chairman Councillor Mrs. G. Burton said that Mr. Bruce Wilken, headteacher of the William Amory Primary School has requested that he and Mrs. Helen Bickerton from the Care and Fun Club be allowed to address Councillors with regard to the above planning application.

She reminded members that this planning application was discussed at the April Parish Council meeting during which the plans were studied and response forwarded to Staffordshire County Council. Mr. Wilken has had a copy of the minutes from the meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> April and is aware of Council's concerns and the letter, as detailed below, which was sent to Staffordshire County Council planning department:

“Members of Forsbrook Parish Council have carefully considered the above proposals and would like to make the following comments:

- 1) The positioning of the mobile classroom in front of the oldest and historical part of The William Amory Primary School will detract from the special features of this building.
- 2) The design and scale of a mobile building is out of keeping in this location and will be visually unattractive to the street scene.
- 3) The site area required of 84 square metres will take up valuable playground space.
- 4) In addition to (3) – as there will be more staff employed, additional parking spaces will be required, reducing the playground further.
- 5) Uttoxeter Road (A521) is extremely busy and congested and it is the intention of Staffordshire County Council to remove parking facilities other than immediately in front of the shops, so there will be no drop off or pick up area adjacent to the school.
- 6) If the need arises for parents to drop off their children within the school grounds this could create a pedestrian/vehicle conflict and the school would need to consider this safety issue carefully.”

Chairman Councillor Mrs. G. Burton emphasised that the Parish Council play no part in the actual decision making and as consultees only, the comments regarding the planning proposal for a mobile classroom, relate to planning issues only - design, scale and visual impact. In this particular case, as the planning proposal is on a school site, the decision lies with Staffordshire County Council planning department

Chairman Councillor Mrs. G. Burton handed over to Mr. Bruce Wilken and Mrs. Helen Bickerton and welcomed them both to the meeting.

Mr. Bruce Wilken said that classes under 25 are difficult to manage and numbers at the school have recently decreased. When the William Amory Primary School was formed there were 177 pupils. This went down to 135 which caused a problem but fortunately numbers are now increasing. Current pupil numbers are 162 and the school can accommodate 210 children when at full capacity. In terms of serving the community the school is trying to provide the best educational facilities and also needs to comply with legal statutory duties. Eligible families can now get up to 15

hours free childcare every week during term-time for their two year olds. The siting of the mobile classroom is not in an ideal location. There was one further location which was the preferred option but this was discounted by Staffordshire County Council because it would have been too near to residential properties. Car parking on and around any school is a nightmare and the loss of a few car parking spaces on site will make little or no difference. The area of playspace will be reduced by only 10%. The school is not in a position to provide additional classrooms to the Care and Fun Club.

Mrs. Helen Bickerton provided members with photographs of the proposed exterior of the mobile classroom. She said that the early years would be open from 7.15am to 6.00pm and that no vehicles will be allowed to enter the school playground between the hours of 8.50-9.10am and 3.00-3.45pm. the time during which children were arriving and leaving school. No additional car parking spaces are being allocated and the playground will still be used as a playground. The majority of present staff live in the village and walk. There are currently 13 staff members, many working part time, some of which would like to work full time. With having two playgrounds the school has ample outdoor activity capacity. The government's directive is that more affordable childcare needs to be provided. Provision for childcare at the William Amory School is open 51 weeks a year and children from neighbouring schools use the facilities. If this planning application is refused, the Care and Fun Club will not be able to offer these additional facilities from September. The Care and Fun Club is a charitable organisation.

County Councillor W. Day said that there is no doubt that the case for providing the facilities was watertight but felt that the proposed building was more like a shed and that is why he was unable to give the proposal his full support. He did understand from Staffordshire County Council that if the planning application was approved it would be on a temporary basis for no more than five years.

Chairman Councillor Mrs. G. Burton thanked Mr. Bruce Wilken and Mrs. Helen Bickerton for attending the meeting and reminded Councillors that the Parish Council's comments have already been forwarded to Staffordshire County Council Planning Department and we await their decision.

### 3.2 Residents Issues.

#### 3.2.1. Dilhorne Road, Forsbrook.

Residents (2) who have lived in Dilhorne Road for 45 years said that they were attending the meeting to raise awareness of the traffic problems. Dilhorne Road used to be a country lane – it now carries high numbers of heavy goods vehicles in addition to speeding motorists. They said that planners have let the situation at Walchesters to develop exacerbating the problem and the structure of the road is just not capable of taking these large vehicles.

County Councillor W. Day said that Staffordshire County Council Officers have carried out a site inspection and have agreed for 30mile speed signage and dragon's teeth to be applied to the road surface. He said that weight restrictions on the road can be looked at together with alternative route and approved working hours for Walchesters.

It was **agreed** for County Councillor W. Day to look at all highway issues and for the Parish Council to contact the police with regard to monitoring vehicle speed.

### 3.2.2. Rubbish and Fly tipping.

In response to a complaint regarding the above Chairman Councillor Mrs. G. Burton said that Forsbrook Parish Council cover the cost of an additional weekly litter collection and would raise the issue with Staffordshire Moorlands District Council Enforcement Officer.

## 3.3 County Council Report.

County Councillor W. Day asked Council to consider and approve the following proposed changes to Traffic Regulation Orders for Uttoxeter Road and Cheadle Road, Blythe Bridge.

### **“New double yellow lines**

Starting from the end of the existing limited waiting bays outside Blythe Bridge Chip Shop going east for approximately 91 metres to a point 10 metres east of Green Lane. This will prevent waiting at any time along this section of road although there will be other sections which will prevent stopping at more specific times which will be covered later.

Extend the existing double yellow that go to the junction of Cheadle Road around the corner into Cheadle Road (east side) for approximately 17 metres to a point where we can start a bus bay.

On the west side of Cheadle Road from the junction in a north east direction for approximately 28 metres, which is more extensive than the Highway Code suggests of 10 metres, but considering the nature of this junction appears to be prudent and justified. There is no need to extend them around the corner onto Uttoxeter Road as the crossing zigzags prevent parking there.

West of the Uttoxeter Road crossing double yellow lines extending for approximately 34 metres west, this will keep the entrance to the library clear and the new houses across the road which have had difficulties with short term parking will have a more enforceable restriction to assist them.

### **School Zig Zags**

The school zigzags can be extended an additional 10 metres to cover where the existing parking bays are and an order imposed to prevent stopping on them Monday to Friday 8am to 5pm. This will also have the benefit of ensuring that nothing stops opposite the Co-op car park entrance during these times. It was considered wise to continue the double yellow lines behind the zig zags because otherwise it would leave this area without any restrictions outside of the hours of operation and potentially leave it open to having vehicles parking there.

### **Bus Bays**

Three locations have been identified where bus bays could be fully implemented which would prevent any vehicles parking during the hours of operation. These would not require a TRO and could be implemented at any time. The one on Cheadle Road near to the new Tesco Express would have the benefit of preventing anything parking during the hours of operation. 8am to 6pm seems a logical operating window but could be varied to suit as it does not require a TRO, as said earlier. The one outside the school may not be such a priority and neither may the one on Uttoxeter Road as this would be covered by double yellow lines anyway but it does seem to be quite a logical step to take whilst introducing the changes to the order.

There is one other location where one could be considered and that is west of the library entrance, where there is proposals for double yellow lines anyway.”

**RESOLVED:**

- **To approve the above highway changes.**

County Councillor W. Day reported on other issues that have been raised at previous meetings:

**Signal controlled crossings, Uttoxeter Road, Blythe Bridge.**

A Staffordshire County Council inspector has checked the timings and confirmed that they meet current legislation. However, the officer found that the sensors are not picking up pedestrians and he is taking steps to rectify this.

**BT Inspection Chamber – Uttoxeter Road, Blythe Bridge.**

Staffordshire County Council are chasing up BT to carry out the necessary repairs.

Issues raised directly with County Councillor W. Day by Councillors.

**Dead tree at the side of the brook in Elmwood Drive, Blythe Bridge.**

Staffordshire Moorlands District Council Tree Preservation Officer Steven Massey is dealing with this.

**Flooding, Caverswall Old Road, Forsbrook.**

On a recent site inspection no flooding was seen. Staffordshire County Council Officers will need to undertake an inspection during or after heavy rainfall.

**Foxfield Railway – damaged bridge.**

An inspection will be undertaken by Staffordshire County Council officers to see who is responsible for any necessary repair work.

**Standing Orders were reinstated.**

**4. INFORMATION AND REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES ATTENDING ‘OUTSIDE’ MEETINGS.**

There were no reports under this agenda item.

**5. DRAFT MINUTES OF: Council Meeting of 19<sup>th</sup> May 2014.**

**RESOLVED:**

- **To approve and sign the minutes.**

**DRAFT MINUTES OF: Annual Parish Meeting Minutes of 19<sup>th</sup> May 2014.**

- **To receive copy of the above.**

**6. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES.**

6.1.1 Annual Parish Meeting of 19<sup>th</sup> May 2014 – Page 14 – agenda item 4.1.

Council Meeting of 19<sup>th</sup> May 2014 – Page 21 – agenda item 4.1.3 and Page 27 – agenda item 13.2.

The following responses from PCSO Adam Charlesworth to concerns raised at the above meetings were noted as follows:

Speeding – Cheadle Road, Forsbrook. This location has been included on the schedule to be visited regularly to monitor the speed.

Speeding – Caverswall Old Road, Forsbrook. Monitoring has been carried out on several occasions over the last month and to date no offences have been committed. The concern seems to be more with the perception of speed due to the roads narrow nature and the blind bends. Natural obstruction in the road (i.e. parked cars) mean it is very unlikely that somebody can pick up enough speed to exceed the speed limit. The area will continue to be monitored.

Peacocks – the police feel that this is a matter for either RSPCA or SMDC Environment officers.

Tesco – teenagers congregating. The police have spoken to Tesco and will keep an eye on the situation.

6.1.2 Council Meeting of 19<sup>th</sup> May 2014 – page 22 – agenda item 8 and Council meeting of 14<sup>th</sup> April – page 5 – agenda item 8.3 – Police Officers.

Police Constable David Stubbs who is stationed at Cheadle is the Neighbourhood Police Officer for Blythe Bridge/Forsbrook.

## **7. CLERK'S REPORT.**

7.1 Agenda enclosures, correspondence outgoing and emails not detailed as separate agenda items were noted.

7.2 Meetings.

Staffordshire Moorlands Parish Assembly meetings held at The Council Chamber, Moorlands House, Leek commencing at 7.30pm.

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2014.

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2014.

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2014.

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2015.

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2015.

Staffordshire Moorlands District Council – Raising Awareness of Child Sexual Exploitation – two sessions – 3.00pm – 4.00pm and 7.00pm – 8.00pm on 10<sup>th</sup> July 2014 at The Churnet Room, Moorlands House, Stockwell Street, Leek.

(‘Chelseas’s Choice is an innovative and powerful production delivered by AlterEgo, highlighting the very serious and emotional issue of child sexual exploitation. The production shows how young people, boys and girls, are groomed by adults for the purposes of sexual exploitation using various methods, ensnaring young people and eventually taking complete control and dominating their whole lives. More information can be found on <http://www.alteregocreativesolutions.co.uk/chelseas-choice>.)

The Community Safety Partnership has funded the above preview sessions for Council Members, frontline staff working with children or anyone with children of their own concerned about such matters.

- 7.3 The following circulation material was received and noted:
- Rural Services Network Online (Note: Newsletters available on: <http://www.rsnonline.org.uk/news>).
  - Staffordshire Wildlife Trust – E-News.

## 8. CORRESPONDENCE:

- 8.1 Staffordshire Moorlands Parish Assembly – subject: Meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> March, 2014.

Minutes from the above meeting, together with attendance list, newsletter (issue 1) and planning website update were noted.

- 8.2 Owl Online Watch – subject: Crime Incidents/Alerts.

Details of the above were noted.

- 8.3 Staffordshire County Council – subject: Watchdog Alerts.

Details of the latest Scams/Warnings in the area were noted.

- 8.4 Staffordshire Parish Councils' Association – subject: Weekly Updates.

The above documents were noted.

- 8.7 The following general correspondence was noted and any action agreed.

<b>General:</b> Staffordshire County Council	<b>Subject:</b> Blythe Bridge Library (agenda item 11.1.2 refers).
<b>Email Exchanges:</b> Vernon Elkin	<b>Subject:</b> Directional signs for Alton Towers traffic to avoid Blythe Bridge and Forsbrook. <b>(Note: email acknowledged and forwarded to County Councillor Bill Day).</b>
SPCA	75 <sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting.
County Councillor W. Day	Issues raised at Annual Parish meeting and Council meeting on 19.05.14.
PCSO's	Issues raised at Annual Parish meeting and Council meeting on 19.05.14: Foxfield Steam Railway – Military Event; Speeding – Caverswall Old Road and Cheadle Road, Forsbrook; Peacock – Stallington Road and Crossfield Avenue, Blythe Bridge; Tesco, Uttoxeter Road, Blythe Bridge – large groups of teenagers.
Levison Wood, Blythe Bridge and Forsbrook Historical Society	Proposed programme for the weekend of 2 <sup>nd</sup> /3 <sup>rd</sup> August 2014 and order of service for St. Peter's Church on 3 <sup>rd</sup> August, 2014.

Mr. Bruce Wilken, Headteacher,  
The William Amory Primary School  
Staffordshire Moorlands District  
Council

Staffordshire County Council

Staffordshire County Council planning application  
for an extra school room and Council's concerns.  
Footbridge (Elmwood Drive Estate)  
**(To note that work on this footbridge is scheduled  
to take place during the next few weeks).**  
Highway Defect Reports:  
Footpath 5a – collapsed brick wall (**Note: the  
wall has now been repaired**);  
Crossfield Avenue, Blythe Bridge – potholes.

**Note: All correspondence/documents were available to view on the evening of  
the Council Meeting or by prior arrangement with the clerk.**

## 9. PLANNING.

### 9.1 Planning Applications:

There were no planning applications to consider.

### 9.2 Planning Approvals:

There were no planning approvals to note.

### 9.3 Planning Refusals:

There were no planning refusals to note.

### 9.4 Planning matters.

No planning related issues were raised.

## 10. CEMETERY:

### 10.1 Cemetery Report.

In the absence of Councillor Mrs. P. Shufflebotham, Chairman of the Cemetery  
Committee there was no report.

### 10.2 Cemetery Issues.

No cemetery issues were raised.

## 11. ENVIRONMENT:

### 11.1 Environment Report.

#### 11.1.1 Cenotaph.

Chairman Councillor Mrs. G. Burton proposed that the Council cover the cost  
of adding additional names to the cenotaph as well as two granite plaques  
commemorating the Great War and World War 2 at Forsbrook Cemetery.  
**Agreed.**

Councillors were provided with suggested programme for the weekend of  
2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> August 2014. No questions were raised.



### 11.1.2 Blythe Bridge Library.

The clerk distributed a letter as detailed hereunder from Staffordshire County Council regarding **proposals to reshape library provision at Blythe Bridge Library.**

*“Following my recent communication about reshaping our library service, I wanted to update you with regards to what is now being proposed for Blythe Bridge Library, subject to Cabinet giving permission to proceed to a formal consultation.*

*You’ll remember the reasons for the review. Staffordshire libraries have changed considerably over the last decade, but they need to keep changing. Although they now offer more computers, internet access, Wi fi, and digital services such as ebooks and emagazines, alongside community space for partners, the number of people visiting their library and the number of books being borrowed continues to decline. The way that people want to access library services continues to change.*

*The public is very clear that libraries are important and they want the opportunity to read and learn, and that access to a more flexible community space is important.*

*Moreover, they want to access library services when and where is suits them, so that they can make the most of library services at a time and place that suits them best.*

*Although the library service has changed the way it operates to deliver £1.1m of savings over five years, without any closures or reductions of opening hours, libraries need to continue to change to become sustainable into the future.*

*Our aim, through these proposals, is to meet shifting demand and give communities a bigger say. The proposals move away from the current ‘one-size-fits-all’ service to working with individual communities to find more flexible approaches to providing the things people want from their library*

*To be clear, there are no plans to close any libraries and these changes are not simply about saving money. It’s fair to say that across the council we need to find new, more efficient ways of working, and we think the new approach will help to cut some costs. However, these proposals are about moving with the times.*

*As you’ll remember, Cabinet agreed in January to develop pressures. This suggested three main categories that was built on evidence from experts (including Arts Council England) as to a suitable model to ensure libraries are sustainable in the future: an online library offer, locality/town libraries and community/village libraries.*

*In May, following the early engagement work with library users and partners, the Prosperous Staffordshire Select Committee considered four levels of library offer (allowing libraries to be more bespoke to local need), and the method by which each library was compared to the four levels. The committee’s views were taken into account, and the agreed methodology was*

*applied to come to an initial view on what the library service could look like. We now want to talk to the community, partners and stakeholders more formally about them before any final proposals are made.*

*Our proposal is to continue to invest in all of our libraries across the county at different levels.*

*Libraries which see most use by the public (those 19 libraries that see 75% of the total visitors and issues across Staffordshire) will be managed directly by Staffordshire County Council. a model that is better fit for purpose now and in the future, and that we can afford in response to budgetary.*

*Where libraries need to offer a more focused service on the needs of the community (and currently account for just 25% of visits and issues across Staffordshire), the community/community organisations will be given the opportunity to lead and manage libraries themselves, with support from the county council.*

*The three categories of libraries are:*

- *Library Extra – Four locations, with the widest range of services ,which see most use by the public and have the greatest capacity to share space with partners . SCC will continue to deliver the full library offer.*
- *Library Core - 15 locations with a range of services provided by the County Council. There’s potential to share space and co-produce services with partners, allowing opportunities to be more flexible to the needs of the communities.*
- *Library Local – 24 locations where we will explore a range of options, and look to the communities to a lead manage and deliver the library offer, giving them the opportunity to maintain services, or introduce services to meet local need. SCC will support communities to take on this role but won’t be directly involved in the management or staffing. The county council have a contract with a local community group/organisation to lead and to develop the library offer, possibly attracting local sponsorship of funding.*
- *Library Plus – An enhanced online offer, ensuring people can access library services at a time and place that suits them best*

*We’re proposing that Blythe Bridge Library is a Library Local as there is a need for more community direction and support to make it more focused so that it can better respond to the needs of the community.*

*Should Cabinet gives permission to proceed to consultation, discussions with communities will look at a range of options for the provision of a library service for the community.*

*This could include:*

- *the county council would have a contract with a local community group/organisation to lead and the develop the library, possibly attracting local sponsorship of funding*
- *working in partnership to develop library services from other locations in the community*

- *providing an electronic access point within the community for enquiries to be made for book requests and delivery*
- *providing a mobile library service*

*There could be other alternative and innovative solutions that the community proposes, and we will listen through the consultation.*

*We believe that these proposals represent the best way to ensure that we have an effective and sustainable service in the future, and that the community has a real stake in changing their neighbourhood for the better. But this is no way a done deal – these are just proposals and we want to talk to people about what they think.*

*Parish Councils will of course be a significant voice in this important process, and we intend to talk to you as early as possible. We hope that you're also assist us to making sure that everyone has the opportunity to take part in the consultation, and explore innovative new ideas that could improve the offer.*

*Should Cabinet give permission to proceed, I will contact you again with more detail about the consultation proceed.*

*In the meantime, I'm sure that you're keen to understand fully the process and methodology that has led to this proposal, and as such, Wayne Mortiboys, District Commissioning Lead, will contact you shortly to discuss whether you would like to meet for a more detailed briefing.*

*Please don't hesitate to contact me or [connectedlibraries@staffordshire.gov.uk](mailto:connectedlibraries@staffordshire.gov.uk) , I will be happy to answer any questions you may have. More information is also available on the internet at [www.staffordshire.gov.uk/libraries/connectedlibraries](http://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/libraries/connectedlibraries)”*

Councillor F. J. Hopley said that he had not yet read the letter but asked the clerk to register in the minutes that in his personal opinion the library could not operate efficiently if run by volunteers or community group.

Chairman Councillor Mrs. G. Burton (Chairman of the Environment Committee) reported that she and the clerk have been invited to a meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> June 2014 with Gail Edwards who is the District Commissioning Lead for Staffordshire County Council. She said that the meeting has been convened to allow preliminary talks regarding library provision, after which Gail will be happy to attend a future Parish Council meeting. County Councillor W. Day will also be attending the meeting. A list of questions was being compiled to discuss with Gail and Councillors were asked to let the clerk know if there were any issues that they wished raising at this meeting.

## 11.2 Environment Issues.

<b>Issue</b>	<b>Action</b>
Peacocks – Stallington Road, Crossfield Avenue. (Minutes dated 19 <sup>th</sup> May 2014 – Page 27 – agenda item 13.2).	Councillor F. J. Hopley reported that the situation has been resolved.
Tesco – teenagers congregating. (Minutes dated 19 <sup>th</sup> May 2014 – Page 27 – agenda item 13.2).	It was noted that this has arisen as Tesco now only allow one youngster into the shop at any one time for security reasons.

Pavement resurfacing – Dilhorne Road and other areas in the Parish.	Chairman Councillor Mrs. G. Burton reported that Staffordshire County Council Highway team are making an excellent job of the resurfacing.
Blythe Bridge High School – large number of unruly pupils (70-80) in the village on 6 <sup>th</sup> June 2014 at lunchtime – lying on the ground smoking, spraying from drink cans, scattering litter and generally causing a nuisance.	Clerk was requested to write to Blythe Bridge High School expressing concern regarding the behaviour of students. It was noted that sixth form college students finished on 6 <sup>th</sup> June and were escorted off school premises at lunchtime.
Green Lane, Blythe Bridge – three Blythe Bridge High School students being chased by the police suspected of drug offences. Students escaped from gardens in Green Lane to Elmwood Drive and then over the railway lines.	Raise the issue in the letter to Blythe Bridge High School.
Green Lane, Blythe Bridge – Callers visiting several houses – lead stolen.	Noted.
Co-op Late Shop car park – youth on lambretta scooter witnessed selling drugs.	Clerk to inform local police officers.
Uttoxeter Road, Blythe Bridge (adjacent to the William Amory Primary School – litter and dog fouling.	Chairman Councillor Mrs. G. Burton said she would raise this with Staffordshire Moorlands District Council Environment Officers.
William Amory Primary School, Uttoxeter Road, Blythe Bridge – overgrown hedge.	Mr. Bruce Wilken, Headteacher noted this concern.
Staffordshire Moorlands District Council – Assisted bin collections.	Agreed to include this in the next Parish Council newsletter.
Staffordshire Moorlands District Council – smaller sized vehicle now collecting green waste.	Noted.
A50 – road markings not very clear.	Clerk was requested to contact Connect.

## 12. FINANCE:

### 12.1 Bank balance.

It was noted that the bank balance as at 31<sup>st</sup> May 2014 was:

Co-operative Bank plc	33005.97
Unity Trust Bank	100000.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>133005.97</b>

### 12.2 June 2014 accounts.

The following cheques were presented for payment.

<b>Cheque No.</b>	<b>Supplier</b>	<b>Net</b>	<b>VAT</b>	<b>Gross</b>
402348	Heath House Farm	455.00	91.00	546.00
402349	Town & Country Services	1219.00	243.80	1462.80
402350	Christine J. Snape	1027.20		1027.20
402351	HM Revenue & Customs	787.41		787.41
DD	Eon	66.00		66.00
DD	British Telecom	107.82	21.56	129.38
<b>Total</b>		<b>3662.43</b>	<b>356.36</b>	<b>4018.79</b>

**RESOLVED:**

- **To approve payment of June 2014 accounts.**

The meeting concluded at 8.55pm.

Clerk to the Council

Chairman