



10/109 Chairman's report

It had not been possible to circulate this in printed format for the meeting, however the Chairman reported verbally: A month of Thank-you's...

- ... to the Churches, RBL and Catshill Social Club for the Remembrance Day Service
- ... to the Scouts and all involved in the excellent fireworks display
- ... to all the parish councillors and the clerk for their efforts throughout the year with best wishes for Christmas and the New Year.

10/110 Clerk's update and list of correspondence received

- a) Worcestershire Hub Shared Service – older people support (leaflets circulated)
- b) Notice of By-Election, Marlbrook Ward (Bromsgrove District Council) to be held 16/12/2010
- c) Bromsgrove CAB – Annual Report 2009/10
- d) Together Bromsgrove Plus – issue dedicated to older residents
- e) Eid Celebration in Bromsgrove – Sat 27/11/2010, 10.30am – 4pm, Spadesbourne Suite
- f) Notice of Community Carol Service – Wed 15/12/2010, 6.30pm at Spadesbourne Suite
- g) Agenda for Bromsgrove Area CALC meeting on 01/12/2010, 6.30pm Bromsgrove DC offices
- h) Updates from Worcestershire CALC, issues 36 – 38.

Councillor's Question : why is the Parish Council not provided with an update or notification regarding highways maintenance or major works? This in relation to the ongoing work at the Golden Cross Lane/A38/Braces Lane cross-roads traffic lights.

10/111 Reports from Committees etc.

All written reports were circulated.

- a) **Planning Committee:** meetings held 11/11/2010 and 25/11/2010. The minutes for the first meeting had been circulated; verbal report given for the second meeting.
- b) **Finance Committee:** meeting held 18/11/2010.  
**It was agreed** to set the precept for 2011/12 at £22,900 (a rate of £9.44per per Band D Council Tax payer).
- c) **Representation on other bodies:**
  - ci) Cllr G Blackmoor reported from Bromsgrove District's Local Strategic Partnership, Health & Well Being Group (in her capacity as WorcsCALC Bromsgrove Area representative) where many healthy projects are ongoing.
  - cii) Cllr A Kelly reported from the recent PACT mobile surgeries with the next to be held on 15/12/2010 in Cottage Drive, Cobnall Road and outside this parish on Alcester Road.
  - ciii) Cllr G Witcomb and Cllr A Kelly had attended the library's prize-giving ceremony for the successful participants of the Summer Reading Challenge. The library had requested support for next year's reading challenge (to be considered at the next meeting).

10/112 Funding Requests

1. NWWA request for funding towards building of a new wall at the entrance to the park off Meadow Road. As the request for help with funding towards new football goal posts is still current it was proposed that this new request be forwarded to the Finance Committee to consider; an amendment was proposed that the request be rejected now. When put to the vote the amendment was carried.

2. Catshill Village Hall – suggestion to the Parish Council for help in the purchase of new chairs and tables; however it could be seen that the new furniture had already been purchased. The Clerk would contact the Village Hall committee to follow up regarding hall partition.

10/113 CCTV

Following recent vandalism to the bus shelters and retail properties it had been suggested that CCTV would be a helpful deterrent. Members noted this item.

10/114 Affordable Housing

It had been noted that the minutes of the Bromsgrove Area Committee meeting of WorcsCALC held 01/09/2010 included a comment stating parish councils should contact their district council representatives regarding Areas of Development Restraint (ADR). **It was agreed** this would be done in the case of the ADR off Marsh Way, with a copy to M Dunphy, Planning Officer at BDC.

10/115 Councillors' log

It was suggested that there should be a procedure for members in their role as parish councillor to provide details of all queries directed to them by the local electorate to ensure all queries were followed through. It was believed this may be possible via the website and Cllr P Masters would look into it.

10/116 Scout Bonfire and Fireworks 2011

**It was agreed** to indicate the Parish Council's early support to the Scouts for next year's event to be held on Saturday 05/11/2011 in order to establish a firm booking for the fireworks display.

10/117 Financial Report

The report showing current financial status and the bills for payment was circulated and agreed.

10/118 Community Information and items for the next meeting

Cllr M Tingle reported on the recent adoption of the Balances and Reserves Policy and would suggest proposals to comply with this at the next meeting.

10/119 Date and time of next meeting

The next Parish Council meeting is to take place on Thursday 27 January 2011 at 7.30pm

This meeting ended at 9.15pm

Signed..... Date.....  
Chairman of Catshill & North Marlbrook Parish Council 27/01/2011