

**Notes of the Meeting**

**Present**

Parish Councillors Dr M Calhaem, J Davis, A Elkin, M Ingram, S Nicholls, R Wearing.  
Apologies R Devall, R Hocknell, R Webb. District Councillor W D Davis

County Councillor I Parry  
Milwich Parishioners Mr B A Reardon, Mrs P Wragg.

**Chairmans Report for Milwich with Fradswell Parish Council 2009 - 2010**

Presented by the Chairman of the Parish Council, Councillor Ingram.

Of the twelve Parish Council meetings during the year four were held in Milwich Village Hall, three at Fradswell Village Hall and five at Green Lea School.

Councillor Paul Roughley resigned during the year due to moving away from the area. Richard Hocknell was co-opted by the Parish Council to replace him.

The attendance at the twelve meetings for the nine Councillor positions was 73% with ten Councillors being involved.

Parishioners attended nine of the meetings ranging from one to five in attendance.

The County Councillor Ian Parry was re-elected for a further four year term to represent Stone Rural Division.

The Stafford Borough Council Doug Davis continued to represent Milwich Ward.

Both Councillors has a significant involvement in discussions regarding Green Lea School, Milwich Village Hall and Fradswell and Milwich Playgroup also advising and steering grant stream funding for Milwich Village Hall.

During the year :-

The dominant subject from the previous year had been the Stafford Borough Council, Local Development Framework, consultation documents and the housing sites put forward by land owners in Milwich for possible development for housing. This resulted in two Public Meeting being arranged in Milwich.

The consultation phase is still in progress with the Draft Core Policy document consultation reaching a conclusion. The probability remains, one year on, that there will no development in Milwich (or Fradswell) The Milwich Action Group is currently working on the responses to the questionnaire leading to the formulation of a Parish Plan.

Brick Kiln Pits The fishing lease arrangements with Izaak Walton (Stafford) Anglers Association resume following the year of drainage problems. The Parish Council thanks Peter Hulme who again cut the boundary hedge free of charge.

Fradswell Road Naming. The new signs for Fradswell Lane and Common Lane had been erected.

Fradswell Car Park and the ongoing problem caused by Fradswell Care Home being responsible for placing rocks on land adjacent to the Car Park.

Dialogue with other authorities continued throughout the year with the County Council, Borough Council and Staffordshire Police.

There were meeting in the parish with the Community Liaison Manager and Community Liaison Officer regarding highway problems experienced mainly in Milwich. A number related to the consequences of the B5066 road closure for three months. The Community Highway Team operations did resume but were effected by the need to repair highway potholes.

The main ongoing issues are :-

Traffic survey on the B5027 either side of the Green Man in Milwich.

Traffic calming and pedestrian safety around the Green Man / Village Hall junction in Milwich. Church Lane, Milwich junction with Sandon Lane.

Footways through Milwich.

The CLARENCE system of reporting all highway defects is still in operation and generally appears to work well.

Through the Borough Council the Civic Amenity Visits continued with three visits to Milwich during the year plus the Streetscene operation continued dealing with litter picking and clearing up after fly tipping.

Consultations on Planning Applications dealt with by the Borough Council as the Planning Authority for the area continued :-

There were 11 applications for Milwich (17 last year) and 3 for Fradswell (4 last year) Most applications were approved. There was only one refusal.

Agriculture Related	5
Listed Building Consent	4
Garage	2
Fradswell Village Hall	1
Methodist Chapel Conversion to Dwelling	1
Creation of Wild Life Pond	1

Staffordshire Police, Police Community Support Officer, Neil Williams attended a Parish Council meeting and together with the Beat Officer, Mark Napier, they attended a Milwich Coffee Morning session.

Financial Support was provided for Milwich Village Hall, Fradswell Village Hall, Compass Magazine Milwich Youth Club, Fradswell & Milwich Playgroup and Milwich Toddler Group.

**2 Statement of Parish Council's Accounts for Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2010**  
Presented by the Clerk. No questions raised.

**3 Council's Observations on its Financies for the Year Ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2011**  
Presented by the Clerk. No questions raised.

#### **4 Accounts of Milwich Parochial Charities**

Presented by the Clerk. No questions raised.

#### **5 Annual Report from the last Parish Council appointed Governor to Green Lea School**

Report presented by the appointed governor, District Councillor W D Davis.  
(Councillor Davis is now also Vice Chairman of the School Governors)  
No report available.

#### **7 To receive the observations of the County Councillor for Stone Rural Division**

Report from Councillor Ian Parry included the following items :-

##### **7.1 Highways**

The Winter was now over, it had been a difficult time with restricted use of Salt & Grit .

It had left a backlog of road damage, potholes etc.

The Neighbourhood (Community) Highway Team operations were now re-starting with six days allocated in Milwich and Fradswell for simple jobs maintenance and upkeep.

Greater transparency with highway maintenance with priorities and job timetabling.

There was a new link on the Website.

Priorities in Milwich :-

1 B5027 Crossing point at the Village Hall / Green Man junction.

Reserve List :-

1 Footpath along the B5027 Uttoxeter Road.

2 Church Lane egress.

3 Sandon Lane repair following closure of the B5066, more work required, to be re-assessed in the next week.

The traffic survey on the B5027 through Milwich should now happen quite quickly.

The Countywide survey of road speed restrictions was underway.

##### **7.2 Green Lea School**

Though to be given to its future. One of only eighteen schools in the County with less than fifty pupils.

Meetings arranged, options to be discussed.

##### **7.3 Staffordshire Police**

Structure changing. No Local Policing Units. Guarantee of minimum police numbers.

Community Beat Officers and Police Community Support Officers to be retained for at least two years on their "patch"

##### **7.4 LMIS Funding**

Reminder that it is still available. Only the Produce Guild applied for funds to support their Annual Show.

##### **7.5 Wind Turbine Development**

Although the County was not the Planning Authority a statement had been issued stating that there should be valid reasons for development and that the siting should be appropriate.

##### **7.6 Quarrying in the County**

Reduced output from Staffordshire agreed Regionally. No new quarries only extension to existing sites.

7.7 Question from Councillor Dr Calhaem regarding the roadside verge- could it be re-instated as part of the useable highway.

Councillor Parry stated that he would look into the possibility.

**8 To receive the observations of the District Councillor for Milwich Ward**

Report from Councillor Doug Davis included the following items :-

No report available.

**9 To consider Resolutions of which written notice has been given**

None

**10 To deal with any other business raised by Parishioners**

None

The meeting ended at 8.09pm