

HODNET PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held at Lyon Hall Hodnet Thursday 15 January 2015

Present ; Councillors Mr D Hodge, Mr C Mackie, Mr J Parker, Mr A Cope, Mr R Downes, Mr M Morgan, Mr I Willicombe, Mr J H Powell, Mr N Newitt, and Mrs M Rees (Clerk).

Apologies Councillor Mr J Roberts, Mr H Trevor, Unitary Councillor Mrs K Calder

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 18 December 2014, Councillor Morgan proposed the minutes be signed as a true record of proceedings seconded by Councillor Mackie all agreed subject to the following amendments

Item 64 – Councillor Morgan advised that an AED was available at Beech House

Any Other Business - Councillor Mackie reported the hedge between the gate and bridge at Wollerton.....

- Councillor Parker has been given numerous photographs of the Bypass construction taken by the late Derek France. He was asked to thank Mrs France for this kind donation.

Matters Arising

70. Drayton Road – Item 7

Historic traffic data for Marchamley (2010) and Wollerton (2013) has been received . Figures showing the percentage of HGVs using the road

- towards Prees Green 1.22%
- towards Hodnet 0.89%
- main road Wollerton northbound 0.26%
- main road Wollerton southbound 0.37%

In reply to the Clerk's advice of yet another accident along Drayton Road, Shropshire Highways Manager responded that the road was assessed earlier last week on safety inspections and no defects were identified. The current surface is in an acceptable condition and it is not scheduled for resurfacing or surface dressing this year. The technician will assess the lining requirements later this year.

71. Automated External Defibrillator (AED) for Hodnet – Item 8

Councillor Hodge advised that the cabinet has been received and will be installed by Clive France next week. Barlows have kindly agreed to waive the installation fee, the Clerk will acknowledge their kind gesture upon completion. The AED will have to be approved by West Midlands Ambulance Service and it is possible a new battery and paddles will be required

72. Review of Parish Plan – Item 27

Councillor Hodge reported that a meeting took place on 13.01.15. The main focus is to get the survey formulated and distributed on the website as soon as possible. Unfortunately Nicola Fisher has replied that there are some funds available for those embarking on a Neighbourhood Plan and she was concerned that Hodnet was going forward with a “light” Parish Plan. Council Hodge has reminded her that we have planning applications agreed for 58 houses plus another 14 awaiting decision with various smaller infill developments in the pipeline. In the SAMDEV we earmarked some additional 80 houses for Hodnet representing a 25+% increase in housing over 15 years. What we have got is that number in 15 months. A full Neighbourhood Plan would take over 2 years to complete CIL and Community Grant funds are expected soon and the Parish needs to have documentary evidence of infrastructure requirements in place .

73. Precept 2015/2016 – Item 66

The Clerk reported that information received Shropshire Council confirmed that no Council Tax Support Grant will be available. In order to show a 0% increase in Band D Council Tax charge on the 2015/2016 Council Tax Demand Notices the Council's precept would need to be £15378. Should an increase be required, then for every £1000 increase this would result in an extra £1.86 on Band D Council Tax charge. Last year the Precept received was £15284 plus £1495 CTSG. The Clerk provided year on year comparison accounts and a forecast loss of £1325.97 for the year end March 2016.

A full discussion took place – Council Mackie proposed that the Precept be increased by £1500, Seconded by Councillor Powell – the majority agreed. Against – Councillor Newitt. The Clerk will therefore apply for a precept of £16878 for 2015/2016.

75. Parking on the Grass Verge opposite the School

The Clerk explained the possible problems of erecting no parking signs on the verge and it was agreed that signage should be placed immediately in front of the wall at the rear of the verge. Councillor Powell proposed two “No Parking” signs be purchased and placed as agreed, Seconded by Councillor Parker – all agreed

76. Planning

Ref 14/05731/FUL - installation of 8 solar panels on the roof of the house and attached garage -Park View Marchamley Market Drayton Shropshire TF9 3NJ - **Support**

Determination

Ref 14/04682/FUL -Erection of rear conservatory -Radmoor House, Peplow Market Drayton TF9 3JZ – **Permission Granted**

Ref 14/04369/FUL- Erection of a detached dwelling with formation of new vehicular access Land Adjacent Old Barn Wollerton Shropshire - **Application withdrawn**

Reconsultation

Ref 14/04787/VAR - Variation of Condition No.1 (approved plans) attached to planning application **11/04429/FUL** approved on appeal to amend the approved plans -Land At Lostford Lane, Wollerton, Shropshire – **Object**

77. Accounts

Expenses

Numbers Plus	AED annual serv chg		£118.80
KG Landscaping	Mowing Rec Ground		£1260.00
M N A	Clerk Vacancy Advert		£93.00
Npower	Street Light Electric	DD	£1156.09
J R Hockenhull	Hedge Cutting		£67.20

Receipts

Western Power	Wayleave	£63.45
Bank Interest		£0.59
HWMC 1 st pyt 2014/15	Ground Rent	£56.50

Total Balances at Bank as at 15th January 2015 £10107.42

Payment of Accounts Proposed by Councillor Powell, Seconded by Councillor Mackie all agreed .

78. Lease of Land to Hodnet Sports Association

The Clerk reported that this matter remained outstanding. Councillor Parker will contact Wendy France to see what is holding up this transaction.

79. Correspondence

SC – Drayton Road Hodnet – see item 70

SC – Temporary Traffic Regulation Order

SC – Historic Traffic Information Marchamley/Wollerton– see item 70

Any Other Business

Councillor Powell advised that the road through Kenstone was in a terrible state – the sides of the road have collapsed. The Clerk was asked to contact Shropshire Highways to report the problem.

Councillor Hodge advised that now The Old Auction Yard development is complete the Community Grant will be available. He has been sent NHBC/Building Regulation completion certificates and will invoice Community and Housing at Shropshire Council.

Councillor Parker was surprised that there are no street lights on the the Old Auction Yard development and it is particularly dark at the railway end of the site. The Clerk was asked to contact Shropshire Housing Association and raise this concern.

The following Street Lights were reported as faulty – M3 M4 W8. Councillor Powell advised that M5 has not worked for some considerable time without any deleterious consequence . As it is attached to an electricity pole he wondered if it should be removed therefore reducing the Parish unmetered electricity liability. The Clerk will ascertain cost for removal.

It was decided that Councillors Newitt, Mackie and Hodge will form a Sub- Committee to progress the Clerk vacancy applications.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the Meeting at 8.40 pm.

The next Parish Council Meeting is February 26th 2015