

West Malvern Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 12th December 2016 in the Fisher Hall.

Present

Cllrs. Mr W Shearer (Chairman), Mrs C Bower, Mrs J Burford, Mrs E Harnden, Mr C Rouse, Mr A Turner, Mr T White.

In Attendance

Mr D Sharp (Clerk).

141/16 Apologies

To consider acceptance of apologies for absence from Councillors:

District & County Cllr. Prof. J Raine, Mr Charles Penn (Malvern Hills Conservators).

142/16 Interests

i. Councillors Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI) and Other Disclosable Interests (ODI) regarding items on the agenda: There were none

ii. Notification of changes to the register of interests: There were none.

iii. To consider written requests from councillors for the council to grant a dispensation for those with Disclosable Interests to take part in discussions or voting: There were none.

143/15 Reports from other representatives

To receive reports from County and District Councillors, Malvern Hills Conservators, Tree and Footpaths Wardens and other representatives:

County and District Cllr. John Raine's report was presented by the Clerk. He had met with Roy Fullee, the new Highways Liaison Officer and planned to do a tour with him of issues and sites in the new year. The installation of flashing beacons near the primary school was one potential project, also the overflowing drain on Old Hollow which had recently been the scene of an accident. The proposal for a change of TRO on West Malvern Road (near Noble View) had now been approved and the work to shift the yellow lines slightly in a southerly direction to release space for an additional car at the northern end was scheduled for the new year. The removal of a disabled space was progressing and the road markings had already been blacked out.

In the absence of Mr Charles Penn (Malvern Hills Conservators) Cllr. Rouse reported that approval for the raising of the precept was to be sought.

144/16 Minutes

To consider for adoption the minutes of the last Parish Council meeting: The minutes of the meeting held on 14th November were approved and signed by the Chairman.

145/16 Progress Reports and other matters arising from the minutes

The Clerk confirmed that he had entered a request that both telephone kiosks be adopted by the Parish Council. Requests had been received to install a defibrillator in the unit by the terminus as well as a suggestion by the AONB that an audio unit could be installed.

146/16 Planning

To consider responses to the following applications:

Application No.	From	Details
16/01667/HOU	Mr & Mrs Richards Fairlight, 234 West Malvern Rd.	Single storey lower ground floor side extension
16/01611/HOU	Mathon Park Lodge Park Road	Proposed two storey extension and timber framed car port

It was agreed to return 'no objection' to both applications.

147/16 Playing Fields

The Clerk reported that a seat on the round-a-bout in the playground required replacing.

148/16 Allotments & Community Woodland

The Clerk reported that all allotments were occupied and that he had turned the water off for the winter. Several new posts were to be installed on the fence bordering the woodland when weather allowed.

149/16 Highways & Footpaths

The Clerk was to report several blocked gullies.

150/16 Finance

To consider payment of invoices presented: The following payments were approved:

From/Due to	Date	Amount	Details
J Moore	02/12	£236.00	Lengthman Fees (November)
Michael Barrett	30/11	£86.20	Bus Shelters (November)
Malvern Town Council	01/12	£822.00	Grass Cutting/Bins (Jul-Dec)
Wicksteed Leisure Ltd	07/12	£59.40	Whirlybird Seat
St James Church	-	£450.00	(i)Donation
South Worcs. CAB	-	£150.00	Donation
DA Sharp	-	£100.00	Clerk's First ½ Year Expenses 16/17
DA Sharp	12/12	£329.80	Clerk's Fees (£412.20 SP25)
	Total	£2,233.40	

(i) It was agreed to increase the annual donation to the Hills Echo to £250, the donation for the maintenance of the churchyard to remain at £200.

After these payments are made bank balances will be as follows:

Savings Account B/F	£14,484.15
Savings Account C/F	£14,484.15

Community Account B/F	£12,126.69
WCC Lengthman	£118.00
December Payments	-£2,233.40
Community Account C/F	£10,011.29

The Clerk reminded councillors that the budget would be considered next month and asked for any projects/costs for inclusion/

151/16 Correspondence

To consider the following correspondence previously circulated:

FROM	* email	SUBJECT
Misc	*	Telephone Kiosk Usage
David Matthews	*	Hills Echo Donation
WCC		Proposed Revocation of Disabled Persons' Parking Space
MHDC	*	s106 and CIL - presentation
Civic Society	*	Midsummer Malvern 17th - 24th June 2017
WCC	*	Budget Consultation 19th January 6pm County Hall
WCC	*	Superfast Broadband
CPRE		Countryside Voice

152/16 Councillors' items for Report

WestFest had been arranged for 1st July 2017.

The Clerk was to pursue enquiries regarding the various suggested uses for the telephone kiosks.

153/16 Next Meeting

The date of the next Parish Council Meeting was confirmed as Monday 9th January 2017.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.35 pm.