POWICK PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held Wednesday 3rd July 2019 at Callow End Village Hall commencing at 7.30 pm

PRESENT: Cllrs A. Lamb (Chairman), C. Phillips (V/Chairman), J. Allsopp, P. Harris, R. Humpage,

M. Richmond, R. Willetts, S. Underwood, D. Jones, E. Newman, M. Huckfield, F. Williams

& S. Williams (Parish Paths Warden). Also present: District Cllr K. Wells

APOLOGIES: Councillor J. Foy & County Cllr T. Wells.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST & APPLICATIONS FOR COUNCILLOR DISPENSATIONS:

There were no pecuniary or prejudicial interests declared for this meeting. There were no applications for dispensations.

ITEM:	MINUTE RECORDED:	ACTION AGREED:
19.25	Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held 5 th June 2019: The Minutes were agreed and signed as a true record. Proposed by Cllr Richmond, seconded Cllr Humpage. All agreed. No matters arising.	
19.26	Applications for Councillor Co-option: None. There remains x1 vacancy for Callow End ward.	
19.27	Lengthsman Report: Tasks required – Ragwort to clear (via Highways) at Bastonford; Dark Alley vegetation to clear and fly tipping dumped in the ditch; Old Rectory Close and Red Lion to Church Drive needs spraying; Kings End Rd bottom end by old butcher's shop needs spraying. Highways to be reminded about the replacement culvert grid along Dark Alley. Nettles need cutting back in Winsmore area / alleyway / footway.	Clerk to notify as appropriate.
19.28	Financial & Governance Matters: The statement of accounts was approved as circulated. The Data Protection Officer for 2019 has been re-confirmed. It was agreed that Cllrs Humpage & Richmond would liaise with the Clerk re notice board repairs. The repair to the streetlight column in The Drive, Powick was approved—cost £1250.00 via Highways.	Cllrs Humpage & Richmond and the Clerk to arrange notice board repairs. Clerk to liaise with Highways re streetlight repairs.
19.29	Parish Matters: 1. Newsletter – Cllr Richmond updated the meeting regarding the next edition and planned articles. Deadline – 31 st July for content. 2. Powick 'Tommy' – Cllr Richmond is arranging the stone plinth via S. Allard and Cllr Lamb is liaising re installation and white stones	

	surround. It was agreed that the location will be the right-hand verge of Old Rectory Close, in front of the hedge, pointing towards the Church. S. Skeys is to be asked to keep the grass trimmed by the Clerk.	Cllrs Richmond and Lamb to progress the Tommy installation.
	3. BT Kiosks – The repainting quote is confirmed, and the start date will be 23 rd March 2020. The Clerk is to ear mark £2k of reserves to	Clerk to check re verge cutting.
	the work. Now need to agree future usage options – possible first display about Climate Emergency?	Clerk to ear mark £2k reserves.
19.30	Playing Field Reports: 1. Callow End – Cllr Jones attended the recent meeting. Repair works, following the RoSPA report, will be done this weekend. A tidy up will also take place prior to The Event. Nearly all event tickets are sold. 2. Hospital Lane project – The Clerk confirmed the vat position – vat can be reclaimed but there are various options to consider. A meeting is to be arranged shortly to discuss the options and agree next steps – Cllrs Lamb, Phillips and the Clerk.	Clerk to arrange vat meeting asap.
19.31	District & County Councillor Reports: District Cllr K. Wells informed the meeting that County Cllr T. Wells may be unable to attend PC meetings due to having to attend Northern Area Planning Committee on 1 st Weds of every month.	
19.32	Councillor Reports & Items for Future Agendas: Cllr Harris – streetlight out (86) at Bow Hill. Cllr Newman – streetlight out in Bowling Green Rd. Footway by the Hing Tai has Bamboo coming up through the tarmac – Highways to be notified. Pancreatic Cancer fundraising event noted. Cllr Willetts – Cross House wall is leaning dangerously, and the footway is also very overgrown – please report to Highways. Virginia House wall is also a concern and brambles are encroaching the footway. Cllr Underwood – the Climate Emergency Group have all been sent questionnaires for completion to find out skills, understanding etc. The first meeting is to be arranged shortly. Cllr Jones – the right-hand side of Highfields has been resurfaced, but the left-hand side of the first cul-de-sac is badly crumbling. Dark alley – garden fly-tipping reported. Upper Ferry Lane planning matter - fencing panels have been removed but brick pillars remain. Planning Enforcement to be informed. Bow Hill hedges remain over the footway despite Highways letters to residents – Highways to be informed. Parking on the pavement also continues. Cllr F. Williams updated the meeting regarding the Winsmore development. The stop notice has been lifted /services being installed / vehicles access arrangements confirmed.	Clerk to report matters to Highways. Clir Underwood to arrange a meeting of the CE Group. Clir Jones to send pictures to Clerk of various matters. Clerk to report matters as required.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.05 pm	
Report of the Clerk: Accounts proposed for payment by Cllr Richmond, seconded Cllr Harris. All agreed. £965.14 Clerks salary £34.56 Clerk Broadband / phone expenses / mileage claimed £215.94 HMRC Q1 PAYE £60.00 Print-Serve – payroll Q1 £420.00 Lengthsman fees £45.29 Eon – pavilion gas supply £262.50 WaterPlus – pavilion water supply £40.00 ICO – annual data protection fee £459.58 Pace Print & Design – newsletter £640.80 New Farm Grounds Maintenance (retro) – grass cutting	Clerk to pay accounts as agreed.
Cllr S. Williams – updated the meeting regarding Parish Paths Warden work undertaken recently. STW pumping station to Ham Hill now cleared. Cllr Richmond – HLPF dog fouling being monitored and users being liaised with. The situation appears to be improving but regular users are also picking up abandoned bags. Thanks to all who assisted with delivering fete and fayre leaflets. Cllr Newman offered to repair the gap in the HLPF fence against the A449. Cllr Allsopp raised concern about the state of the road during the Sparrowhall Lane development. DCllr Wells confirmed that MHDC are liaising with Highways about the issue and also the drainage issues raised. A resident's letter has been received regarding the closure of Kings End Rd to the end of Bransford Rd for approx. 40 days. Cllr Huckfield – the footway behind Manor Farm and the asparagus fields is very overgrown – Parish Paths Warden to investigate. Cllr Lamb updated regarding progress with the SLR development. 30 mph limit currently for the entire length from the Village. Powick island lay-by also closed. Concern also raised regarding the impact of recent flooding on vulnerable properties – need to check if SLR flood alleviation actions have been implemented.	Cllr Newman to do fencing repairs at HLPF. Cllr Lamb to check SLR flood alleviation actions.