

Knightwick and Doddenham Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council on Monday 10th January 2022 at 19:00 hrs. at the Talbot Hotel, Knightwick.

Present;

Chair, Cllr B Munt

Cllrs: F Budden, Ms K L Parkinson, M J C Bellamy, G M Brewin (Clerk)

Apologies: Cllrs, P Edwards, Ms G Evans, Ms M Horton, D Steel,

Visitors: None

Public Question Time prior to the formal meeting;

None

Reports; County Councillor, District Councillors.

In view of the current Covid restrictions and the short agenda visiting councillors had been asked not to attend but to submit written reports.

The report from Cllr P Whatley is attached as appendix -a

The formal meeting commenced at 19:05hrs.

Formal Agenda

1.

Apologies for absence and members' declarations of interest.

The apologies from Clls. P Edwards, Ms G Evans, Ms M Horton, and D Steel were accepted.

There were no declarations of interest in agenda items.

2.

Confirm the minutes of the Meeting of the Council on 27/9/21 (circulated in advance)

These were agreed and signed by the Chair.

3.

Financial Matters

a) Agree a budget and precept for 2022-3 (*for information 2021-22 £3,500*)

The clerk noted that the year-end position would be a deficit of around £500 against the precept income.

After a discussion it was agreed that this was acceptable given the current bank balance and the clerk was instructed to request a precept of £3500 for the year 2022-3

b) Note the council's bank balance is £18,659.87 at 31/12/21 (Inc £13.575 Village Hall Charity)

Noted

4. Planning Matters;

Note the clerk's delegated responses to:

a) Application Number, 21/02181/FUL

Location Address, The Flying Horse Bromyard Road Knightwick Worcester WR6 5PH

Proposal, Retrospective application for two air conditioning/fridge condenser units attached to main building and separate fridge unit enclosure within rear curtilage

'This Council has concerns over the 'regularising' by a retrospective application of existing equipment which was installed contrary to a previous planning approval. This council believes, that despite claims that 'an acoustical report has been prepared', it is necessary for a full environmental assessment to be made before approval is given as this commercial premises exists in close proximity to residential properties and no comments from neighbours have been elicited in justifying a retrospective application.'

Noted

b) Application Number, 21/02220/FUL

Location Address, Doddenham Hall Doddenham Broadwas Worcester WR6 5NZ

Proposal, Change of use of land and construction of building for use as a pet crematorium

'This Council has no objection to this application

Noted

5.

Distribution of charitable funds ex Village Hall sale.

a) Further proposals for the distribution of charitable funds.

It was suggested that as there had been no response to the council's request for suitable projects that some of the fund be distributed to residents in the form of a subsidy to the annual precept. The clerk advised the Chair that a proposal such as this would best be discussed at the Annual Meeting of the Council and this was agreed.

b) The clerk was asked to approach Knightwick Surgery to see if trees could be planted along the river Teme as part of the celebrations of the Queen's Jubilee.

**6.
Clerk to report.**

Correspondence, Lengthsman, Any outstanding items.
The clerk reported that he would recommence water quality testing in the Teme once the current flood level had subsided closer to normal.
He had not received any information from WCC on the status of restrictions on the A44 Layby.

**7.
Items for the next meeting**

Water quality – clerk to report
Tree planting – clerk to report
A44 layby – clerk to report

**8.
Confirm the date of the next meeting: Monday 21st March 2022**
Agreed

The meeting closed at 19:25

Minutes confirmed 21/03/22

00000000000000000000000000000000

Appendix -a

*A Happy New Year to everyone. MHDC is continuing to function effectively in the current wave of Omicron. Waste collections are operating as normal and other staff are working in a mix of home-working or from MHDC offices. Sarah and I are operating all our usual community engagements. We would like to remind all parish councils that the Boundary Commission will be issuing its draft recommendations on future MHDC wards on Tuesday, January 11th. Should parish councils wish to comment on the proposals, they will have until March 21st to do so. The proposals and means by which comments may be made will be on the Commission's website: <https://www.lgbce.org.uk/all-reviews/west-midlands/worcestershire/malvern-hills>
>>>>>>*

*Regards
Peter Whatley
Councillor, Alfrick & Leigh Ward, MHDC
Portfolio Holder for Resources*

00000000000000000000000000000000