

MADRESFIELD PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE 210th PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT MADRESFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL
ON THURSDAY 13TH FEBRUARY 2019 AT 6.00 PM

PRESENT

Cllrs. Mr D Craig (Chairman), Mr C Freeman, Mrs J Greenwood.

IN ATTENDANCE

District Cllr. Mrs K Wells, Mr M Everitt (Footpath Warden) and Mr D Sharp (Clerk).

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To consider acceptance of apologies for absence from Councillors: Cllr. Mr C Eden (accepted).

2. INTERESTS

- i. Councillors Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and Other Disclosable Interests *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.

3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE 209th PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF 5th DECEMBER 2019

These were accepted as an accurate record and they were signed by the Chairman.

4. PROGRESS REPORTS AND OTHER MATTERS ARISING FROM THESE MINUTES

The Clerk reported that he had sent off the SWDP Review consultation which had been completed under delegated powers.

The Clerk reported that he had ordered more glass panels for the telephone box and would replace the broken unit soon.

5. REPORTS FROM DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS

District Cllr. Kathy Wells reported that the Five Year Plan had been completed and included a carbon neutral policy and also proposed tackling loneliness in rural areas. She had attended an event for Young people to develop skills. The budget was being considered next week. A review of ward boundaries was being carried out.

6. REPORTS FROM WARDENS AND OTHER REPRESENTATIVES

- i. **Tree Warden:** Cllr Craig was please to report no issues with ash dieback locally.
- ii. **Footpaths Warden:** Mike Everitt confirmed that he had walked all footpaths this month and had renewed several waymarkers. One large tree had fallen on Madresfield Estate but was being addressed. No other issues had been reported.
- iii. **Charities Representative:** No report was presented.

7. HIGHWAYS

Update on School warning sign: This was now working although the timing needed adjustment. An 'unsuitable for HGVs' sign had been installed on North End Lane near the Mayfield Road junction, but not one at the Madresfield end. Clerk to enquire.

It was noted that vehicles parking at the Rectory Lane/Madresfield Road were obscuring visibility.

8. PLANNING

No applications had been received.

10. CODE OF CONDUCT

To consider adopting the revised code of conduct as approved by Malvern Hills District Council: The new code was scrutinised and it was agreed to adopt the revised code as a whole, without alteration.

9. CORRESPONDENCE.

To consider any responses to the following correspondence received:

FROM	* Email	SUBJECT
CALC	*	Updates
Martin Butcher Safer Neighbourhood Officer	*	Monthly Parish Reports
Clerk	*	School Sign
MHDC	*	Invitation to visit Envirosort recycling facility
Clerk	*	SWDP preferred options response
NALC	*	Chief Executive's bulletin
MHDC	*	Ticket to Ride 22 January, 9:30am-1pm in the Council Chamber
WCC	*	Funding For Communities - 'Open 4 Community'
MHDC	*	District, Town and Parish Councillor Planning Training
WCC	*	Budget Briefing 29 January 2020
Malvern Town Council	*	The Mayors Leap Year Gala 28 th Feb
MHDC	*	Nominations Pride of Malvern Hills Community Awards 2020
MHDC	*	Statement of Licensing Policy Review - Consultation 2020-25
MHDC	*	Worcestershire Dementia Centres Information Meeting 10 th Feb
MHDC	*	Great British Spring Clean 2020
MHDC	*	Briefing for Parish and Town Councils 31 st Mar
NALC	*	Spring Conference 2020
Gary Crellin	*	Parishes' Litter Picking - Saturday 21st March
MHDC	*	Partner Workshop in March - Planning for the Future, a Carbon Neutral Malvern Hills District
WCC	*	Worcestershire Pollinator Strategy consultation
MHDC	*	Revised Code of Conduct
Pensions Regulator		Confirmation of Compliance

11. FINANCE

Approval of payments due: The following payments were approved:

From/Due to	Date	Amount	Details
J Moore	-	£177.00	Lengthman Fees (Dec-Jan)
CPRE	-	£36.00	Annual Membership
X2 Connect	13/02	£35.40	Telephone box glass
Post Office	09/12	£39.65	Postage
Madresfield Primary School	-	£10.00	Hire Charge
HMRC	-	£29.20	PAYE (Jan-Mar)
DA Sharp (i)	13/02	£117.01	Clerks fees (3 months @ SCP18) (Now SCP7 - £146.21)
	Total	£444.26	

(i) The new pay scales from CALC were agreed. Scale point 18 now designated as scale point 7 - £10.16 per hour

Clerk paid 1hr per week - quarterly pay to go up from £127.85 to £132.44 (+£4.59)

Backdated to April 2019 - pay for this quarter will be £146.21 (£127.85 + 4 x £4.59)

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

Premium Account B/F	£930.38	Current Community Account B/F	£286.40
Interest	£0.92	WCC Lengthman Scheme	£177.00
		February Payments	-£444.26
Premium Account C/F	£931.30	Community Account C/F	£19.14

12. COUNCILLOR'S ITEMS FOR REPORT OR FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION.

Nothing further was discussed.

13. NEXT MEETING.

The date of the Annual Parish Council meeting was Thursday 14th May 2020 following the Annual Parish Meeting which was to commence at 6.00pm.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.00 pm.