

POWICK PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held
Wednesday 5th February 2020 at Callow End Village Hall commencing at 7.30 pm

PRESENT: Cllrs A. Lamb (Chairman), J. Allsopp, R. Willetts, S. Underwood, F. Williams, S. Williams, M. Richmond, D. Jones, J. Foy & M. Huckfield.

APOLOGIES: Cllrs C. Phillips (V/Chairman), E. Newman, P. Harris, R. Humpage, County Cllr T. Wells, District Cllr K. 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:
19.83	<p>Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council and Report of the Planning Committee held 8th January 2020: The Minutes were agreed and signed as a true record. Proposed by Cllr Foy, seconded Cllr Richmond. All agreed. No matters arising.</p>	
19.84	<p>Lengthsman Report & Highways Matters: The monthly report was read out by the Clerk. VAS movements were noted. It was agreed for the Clerk to purchase a new VAS battery. Matters noted -</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Potholes / tarmac breaking up along the lane towards Bransford – Clerk to report. 2. Lengthsman to be asked to remove the holly tree in the alleyway behind Winsmore. 3. Pool Cottage (opposite Powick Garage) has a pothole in the footpath – Clerk to report. 4. The PC noted with thanks that County Cllr T. Wells had purchased a further VAS for the parish. VAS to be sited along Jennett Tree Lane initially. 5. Powick Village roundels – County Cllr T. Wells will fund x3 roundels 50/50 with the Parish Council. Clerk to progress with Highways. 6. Concerns were noted regarding the Pizza van parked at Callow End Pound. It was agreed that Cllr Jones should approach the owner and agree a suitable parking location. 	Clerk to action/ report tasks as raised and to purchase a new VAS battery.
19.85	<p>Financial & Governance Matters:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The statement of accounts was approved as circulated. 2. Code of Conduct (revised Dec 2019) – it was proposed by Cllr Huckfield, seconded Cllr Richmond to adopt the revised code. All agreed. 	Clerk to pay accounts. Clerk to notify MHDC re adoption of the Code.

	<p>3. HLPF project – It was proposed by Cllr Richmond, seconded Cllr Allsopp, that the Council approve the quotes for £450.00 + vat (foundation design) and £1900.00 (full tender spec). All agreed.</p> <p>4. Powick roundels – It was agreed that the Council split the cost 50/50 with County Cllr T. Wells. Cllrs Lamb and Huckfield to meet Highways if required. Clerk to progress matters.</p>	<p>Clerk to notify MHDC J. Yarwood.</p> <p>Clerk to progress with Highways.</p>
19.86	<p>Strategic Planning:</p> <p>Neighbourhood Planning (NP) – Cllr Huckfield and the Clerk have met with MHDC Officer D. Clark re the process and initial steps required. First step is to designate a parish area for NP and write to MHDC to formally request this. Clerk to progress. Proposed Cllr Richmond, seconded Cllr F. Williams. All agreed.</p> <p>An initial project group is to be set up by Cllr Huckfield.</p> <p>It was agreed that the Annual Parish Meeting should be the platform to consult residents on what should be included in the NP, followed by a parish survey.</p>	<p>The Clerk and Cllr Huckfield are to progress the NP as agreed.</p>
19.87	<p>Parish Matters:</p> <p>1. Newsletter – Cllr Richmond updated on the current edition and planned articles. Cllr Underwood will oversee all PACE articles submitted. A PACE flyer was discussed, and it was agreed that this would be the best option for the Spring edition. The Clerk confirmed that it would be ok to hold ½ page for last minute updates. Cllr Richmond was thanked for the amount of time taken to put together each edition and the time taken with external writers. The Council re-confirmed that the newsletter is primarily for PC content and needs to be flexible to allow for changing priorities. Some concern was raised about the lack of opportunity for involvement by the whole Council, and concern was also noted about some of the proposed articles. The Chairman invited Cllr Richmond to discuss these concerns at a separate meeting. Cllr Richmond asked for time to consider his position, which was acknowledged. The Chairman assured Cllr Richmond that he would be able to continue his involvement with the newsletter should he wish to do so.</p> <p>2. May Bank Holiday Fri 8th May – the Council noted that the Church is hoping to hold an event and has asked for PC support. Other local organisations are also to be included. The Chairman agreed to speak to Rev. Gary and report back.</p>	<p>Cllr Richmond and the Clerk to progress the newsletter with the Chairman as appropriate, following discussion about concerns raised.</p> <p>The Chairman to contact Rev. Gary and report back.</p>
19.88	<p>Powick Action on Climate Change (PACE):</p> <p>Cllr Underwood updated the meeting on recent actions. It was noted that District Cllr K. Wells had left the group due to commitments but would continue to support the group's work at District level. The Council thanked her for her work to date.</p> <p>The Great British Spring Clean - It was agreed that PACE should lead on the Great British Spring Clean event and the date was agreed as 4th April.</p>	<p>Clerk will liaise with MHDC re litter picking equipment. Cllr Huckfield to contact local groups to participate.</p>

19.89	<p>Playing Field Reports: Hospital Lane – the Clerk confirmed that MHDC will shortly receive a further £198k which will be available to support the pavilion project, or any other local parish project following submission of a s.106 application.</p> <p>Callow End – next Playing Field Assoc meeting on 6th Feb – report to follow.</p>	Clerk to continue to work with MHDC and Football Foundation to progress the project.								
19.90	<p>District & County Councillor Reports: No reports made.</p>									
19.91	<p>Councillors Reports & Items for Future Agendas:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Cllr Willetts raised concern about other walls in Powick Village in conjunction with Cross House works currently. The Clerk has written an email of support to Cllr T. Wells regarding works to Cross House wall. 2. Cllr Underwood reported on Powick cycleway, which has received a positive response but won't be done at the same time as the SLR. Highways plan to follow in due course. The new notice board has been installed at Callow End Pound and all other notice boards have almost been refurbished. 3. Cllr Allsopp reported that the pathway from Bowling Green garage to the bus stop needs resurfacing. Also Bowling Green Rd to Sparrowhall Lane bus stop. Clerk to report. 4. Cllr F. Williams updated about development work at Winsmore. 5. Cllr Lamb will attend an SLR meeting on Monday – report to follow. 6. The meeting noted that Cllr Underwood had again been flooded along with others in the parish, but that the criteria for flood compensation could not be met as there were not enough properties affected. Harriet Baldwin, MP, has been contacted and it was agreed that the Chairman should also write I support of these residents. 7. The meeting noted that a van had been broken in to in Powick Village and tools stolen, later for sale on Ebay. Police had been notified and the Chairman agreed to speak with the PCSO for the parish to raise concern about Police advice offered. 	<p>Clerk to report Highway matters.</p> <p>Chairman to report on SLR meeting.</p> <p>Chairman to write to Harriet Baldwin, MP, re flooding impact.</p> <p>Chairman to speak with PCSO re vehicle theft.</p>								
19.92	<p>Report of the Clerk: Accounts proposed for payment by Cllr Huckfield, seconded Cllr S. Williams. All agreed.</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>£945.68</td> <td>Clerks salary</td> </tr> <tr> <td>£26.67</td> <td>Clerks expenses (BT, mileage)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>£420.00</td> <td>Lengthsman fee</td> </tr> <tr> <td>£440.00</td> <td>Lancey Bros – new notice board</td> </tr> </table>	£945.68	Clerks salary	£26.67	Clerks expenses (BT, mileage)	£420.00	Lengthsman fee	£440.00	Lancey Bros – new notice board	Clerk to pay accounts as agreed.
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	<p>There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.40 pm</p> <p>Next meeting: Weds 5th March 2020 at Powick Parish Hall</p>									

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