

## Wyre Piddle Parish Council

### Minutes of a Meeting of the Council held on Thursday 29th November, 2012 In the Village Hall, Wyre Piddle

*Meeting commenced: 7.30 pm. Meeting ended: 8.25 pm.*

**Present:** Cllrs D Creedmiles Narraine, R Murray Peters, R Merchant, G Smout

**In attendance:** D M Taverner (Parish Clerk) and County Cllr Mrs L Tucker

**1/11/12 Apologies for absence:** CSO Simon Hall and Cllr J Parsons

**2/11/12 Members Disclosable Pecuniary interests and any changes to be notified to the Registers of Interests and Gifts & Hospitality**

A dispensation had been granted by the monitoring officer at Wychavon District Council to allow Members to participate in the debate, under agenda item 10 b, relating to the setting of the 2013/14 precept and the related Council Tax Rate at Band D. As well as repealing the legislation relating to the former Code of Conduct, the Localism Act 2011 also repealed the general dispensation permitting any councillor with an interest to take part in meetings relating to setting their Council's precept. Therefore Parish Councillors living in the parish must, as council tax payers, declare a pecuniary interest in the item and would not have been able to discuss or vote on the precept, unless such a dispensation had been granted.

**3/11/12 Report of District and County Councillor.**

Cllr Tucker reported that the South Worcestershire Development Plan (SWDP) targeted consultation period had now ended and it was hoped that the difficulties that had been encountered with the withdrawal of Malvern Hills District Council could be resolved at the joint meetings scheduled for 10<sup>th</sup> December. The overall objective is to have the SWDP ready for submission for the inspection in public by mid February 2013.

The County Highways team was working on a scheme to fit vehicle barriers to the Eastern Bridge. The barrier scheme would be modelled on the same basis as those situated at the entrance to County Hal.

Dates of future meetings of PACT would be circulated once the availability of the Policing team was known.

It was likely that both the County and District Council tax precepts would see no increase in 2013/14

**4/11/12 Closure of the Meeting to allow Parishioners Present to Speak on any Matter on the Agenda. The maximum time allowed per individual and other parochial matters for discussion to be at the discretion of the chairman. Questions which required a particular response to be submitted in writing.**

In response to a question the Clerk replied that the approved minutes of each meeting were displayed on the Parish Council notice board and on

the Council's website.

Questions were raised regarding police activity on speed enforcement within the Parish. The Clerk replied that speed enforcement work had been carried out twice in July, although nothing had been done since then due to other commitments for the policing team. The results of the speeding enforcement work that had been undertaken were as follows:-

20<sup>th</sup> July between 11.45-13:30 6 drivers verbally warned, 3 drivers prosecuted with the highest speed recorded at 42mph.

9<sup>th</sup> July between 18:00-19:30 12 verbal warnings issued and 8 drivers prosecuted with the highest recorded speed being 45mph.

The Police would be undertaking further speeding enforcement work in the Village when the opportunity arose.

**5/11/12 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> September, 2012**

The minutes of the meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> September 2012 had been previously circulated for approval by Members. No amendments were necessary and after being put to the vote it was resolved that the minutes be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record of that meeting.

**6/11/12 Matters arising from the minutes**

There were no matters arising from the approved minutes

**7/11/12 Planning matters**

**(a) Current applications**

[12/02237](#) **8 Avon Green** - Extension to the front of the dwelling to form porch and cloakroom.

Members raised no objections to this application

**(b) Decision notices received**

[12/01780](#) **Groesbeck, Chapel Lane, Wyre Piddle**

Proposed extension of garage into separate dwelling to include single storey extension. (Retrospective).

This application was refused on 3<sup>rd</sup> October, 2012

[12/01985](#) **3 Meadows, Main Road** - Substitution of house type approved under planning application W/07/00882/RM, to include a single storey and a two storey rear extension to house known as Plot 3

This application was approved on 6<sup>th</sup> November, 2012

[11/00988](#) **Land adjacent to, Wyre Road, Pershore** - Outline application for 5 hectares of employment land with some matters reserved for B1, B2 & B8 use. New access for pedestrians & cycles; car & cycle parking; sustainable drainage measures including storage pond for surface water attenuation; provision of utilities infrastructure & all ancillary enabling works.

This application was approved on 13<sup>th</sup> November, 2012

## **8/11/12 Parish Council Member Vacancies**

An application for one of the current Council member vacancies had been received from Mr Mike Oakley of the Malthouse George Lane. Mr Oakley's nomination for co option to the Parish Council was proposed by Cllr Merchant and seconded by Cllr Smout. It was then **unanimously resolved** that Mr Oakley should be co opted to serve as a Parish Council Member. The one remaining vacancy was continuing to be advertised on the Council's notice board and the Parish Website.

## **9/11/12 Community Events**

Carrie Oakley had submitted a written update regarding community events that had recently taken place:-

### **VILLAGE GAMES**

The Parish games presentation event on 14<sup>th</sup> November at Piddle Park had been well attended and enjoyed.

Wyre Piddle had been successful in winning the small parishes' trophy which reflected the success enjoyed by the Parish teams in all of the events that they had entered. Grateful thanks were extended to Carrie Oakley for the tremendous amount of hard work that she had undertaken in ensuring teams was entered for each of the events.

### **WYRE PIDDLER IN PICTURES.**

Carrie reminded the meeting that Wyre Piddle resident and photographer John Kellet had been preserving and collating images of Wyre Piddle events and footage of older events.

Malcolm Haden, is liaising with John on this and it is hoped that there would be a presentation Wyre Piddle in Pictures at the Village Hall at a date to be arranged in December

### **CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY**

This had been discussed by Joined Up Entertainments and will follow the usual format on a Saturday afternoon in the week running up to Christmas.

### **CHRISTMAS CAROLS ON THE VILLAGE GREEN**

Usual plans were being made for an event between 6.30 to 7.30pm on Christmas Eve

## **10/11/12 Village Hall Internal painting**

A request had been made to the parish Council for financial help with the cost of the internal redecoration of the Village hall. The Parish Council had recently also contributed £2,000 towards the costs of new gas central heating at in the hall.

Following considerable discussion Cllr Murray Peters proposed that a sum of £1,000 should be donated to the Village Hall Management Committee as contribution to the decoration costs. This proposal was not seconded.

Councillors were prepared to help with the decoration work on a voluntary basis. This offer was to be conveyed to the Village Hall Management Committee.

## 11/11/12 Payment of accounts

The under mentioned accounts were **approved** for payment:-

| Cheque |                       |   | £        |
|--------|-----------------------|---|----------|
| 1038   | New Farm Grounds Mtce | Grass Cutting Sept and Oct                | 1,500.00 |
| 1039   | N power               | Street Lighting                           | 140.68   |
| 1040   | G Robinson            | Lengthsman Works                          | 187.04   |
| 1041   | D M Taverner          | Clerk Salary and Admin Expenses Oct & Nov | 601.04   |
| 1042   | Clement keys          | External audit fee                        | 162.00   |
| 1043   | HMRC                  | PAYE and Nat insurance - December Qtr     | 186.60   |

## 12/11/12 Maintenance of open spaces

Lengthsman Scheme – Gary Robinson had been undertaking work to cut back vegetation at the Eastern Bridge, on Wyre Hill and in both Chapel lane and Mill Lane. Work had also been undertaken to clear gulleys near Smiths Meadow in Mill Lane.

A total of twelve hours had been worked and a bill in the sum of £180 had been submitted for reimbursement by the County Council.

## 13/11/12 Poplar Avenue Play area

The Clerk advised that he would be organising a meeting with play equipment suppliers with a view to upgrading some of the equipment in the play area. This work would need to be funded from the Council's earmarked Section 106 deposits and it was hoped that some grant funding may be available to the Council once a suitable scheme had been delineated.

There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8 25pm

Approved .....

D Creedmiles- Narraine - Chairman - 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2013