West Malvern Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 13th April 2015 in the Village Hall.

Present

Cllrs. Mr W Shearer (Chairman), Mr S Alison, Mrs J Burford, Mrs E Harnden, Mrs S Rouse, Mr A Turner.

In Attendance

County and District Cllr. J Raine and Mr D Sharp (Clerk).

42/15 Apologies

To consider acceptance of apologies for absence from Councillors: Cllr. Mr L Unsworth (accepted). Also District Cllr. Mr J Roskams.

43/15 Interests

- i. Councillors Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI) and Other Disclosable Interests (ODI) 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.

44/15 Reports from other representatives

To receive reports from County and District Councillors, Malvern Hills Conservators, Tree and Footpaths Wardens and other representatives:

Reports were presented at the Annual Parish meeting held earlier.

45/15 Minutes

To consider for adoption the minutes of the last Parish Council meeting: The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 9th March were approved and signed by the Chairman.

46/15 Progress Reports and other matters arising from the minutes

Further to the report made at the Annual Parish Meeting earlier it was confirmed that Mr Richard Hammond would not now be organising a series of VE and VJ day celebratory concerts on the playing fields.

47/15 Planning

To consider responses to any late submitted applications: No applications were discussed.

48/15 Playing Fields

The playground safety report had been circulated and following its recommendation the swing chains were to be inspected. Also a suggestion had been made if a raised platform could be available for smaller children to access the zip wire.

It was agreed to arrange a group of volunteers to clear the bank above the football pitch of debris on Saturday 9th May.

49/15 Allotments & Community Woodland

The Clerk reported that additional seed had been spread on the glade. There were also three more small trees to remove to produce the required vista.

50/15 Highways & Footpaths

Further to the request made at the Annual Parish Meeting earlier, the Clerk was to contact the local policing team and the Countryside department of WCC for help in ensuring cyclists dismount when navigating the Lower Dingle.

51/15 Finance

I. To consider payment of invoices presented: The following payments were approved:

From/Due to	Date	Amount	Details
J Moore	25/03	£118.00	Lengthman Fees (Mar)
SF Creamer	31/03	£50.00	Bus Shelter Cleaning (Mar)
West Malvern Village Hall	07/04	£36.00	Village Hall Hire
Madresfield Estate	25/03	£60.00	Bluebell Field Rent
Playsafety	25/03	£99.60	Playground Inspection
Malvern Hills AONB	13/04	£300.00	Donation
Harpers	13/04	£25.00	Footpath Warden
HM Revenue & Customs	-	£246.80	PAYE (Jan-Mar)
DA Sharp	13/04	£323.28	Clerk's Fees Mar (£404.08 gross SP25)
	Total	£1,258.68	

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

Savings Account B/F	£14,466.45
Interest	£2.50
Savings Account C/F	£14,468.95

Community Account B/F	£3,348.00
Allotment Rents	£64.80
WCC Lengthman	£472.00
Ward Budget	£600.00
April Payments	-£1,258.68
Community Account C/F	£3,226.12

ii. To consider additional signatories to the Parish Council's accounts: It was resolved that Clirs. Shearer and Burford be added to the HSBC bank mandate. Clir. Turner was to remain also.

52/15 Correspondence

To consider the following correspondence previously circulated:

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FROM	* email	SUBJECT		
MHDC	*	Parliament in the Making programme		
CALC	*	End of year Accounts Training Seminar		
Herefordshire Council	*	Herefordshire Local Plan Core Strategy – Proposed Main Modifications		
Malvern Hills AONB	*	E-bulletin March 2015		
BT	*	Adopt a phone box		
Herefordshire Council	*	Herefordshire Local Plan - Main Modifications Addendum.		
Playsafety	*	Playground Report		
MHDC	*	Asset of Community Value nomination - Brewers Arms		
MHDC	*	Publication of SHLAA- PC/TC notification		
Grant Thornton		Audit		
CPRE		Countryside Voice		
WCC		Disabled Parking		
MHDC		May 7 th Election of Councillors		

53/15 Councillors' items for Report

The Council was to investigate the possibility of installing a public access defibrillator in the village and the Clerk was to ascertain whether there was a unit at the Regents College.

The Chairman thanked the Clerk and Councillors for their work over the term of the Council, particularly Cllrs. Harnden and Alison who were not standing for re-election on 7th May.

54/15 Next Meeting

The Annual Parish Council Meeting would be held on Monday 11th May 2015 in the Fisher Hall.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10.00 pm.