

West Malvern Parish Council

Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 10th July 2017 in the Fisher Hall.

Present

Cllrs. Mr W Shearer (Chairman), Mrs C Bower, Mrs J Burford, Mrs E Harden, Mr C Rouse, Mr A Turner.

In Attendance

District & County Cllr. Prof. J Raine & District Cllr. N McVey., Mr D Sharp (Clerk).

81/17 Apologies

To consider acceptance of apologies for absence from Councillors: Cllr Mr T White (accepted), also Mr C Penn (Malvern Hills Conservators)

82/17 Interests

i. Councillors Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI) and Other Disclosable Interests (ODI) regarding items on the agenda: Cllr Turner declared an ODI on planning application 17/00891/HP since he was a neighbour.

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: Cllr Turner to discuss planning application 17/00891/HP. This was agreed and would last until the next ordinary election.

83/17 Reports from other representatives

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

Cllrs. Raine and McVey reported that, since the Grenfell Tower fire, Fortis Housing were investigating cladding to the exterior of their properties and also the Premier Inn Malvern where some families are housed. Also the planning application for four houses at 54 West Malvern Road had been rejected by MHDC. They had met with 69 residents at West Fest on 1st July and MHDC were looking to include recycling of black plastics.

Cllr. Raine also reported on a meeting with Hannah Davies, the new Highways liaison officer, and confirmed that two 20mph flashing signs were planned to be installed outside the primary school before September.

84/17 Minutes

To consider for adoption the minutes of the last Parish Council meeting: The minutes of the meeting held on 12th June were approved and signed by the Chairman.

85/17 Progress Reports and other matters arising from the minutes: The Clerk reported that he had contacted Admiral Taverns who confirmed that, following resident's complaints, live music had been suspended at the Brewers Arms.

Following receipt of details indicating a change to staffing arrangements at Malvern Fire Station it was agreed to send a letter to the Fire Authority and Hereford & Worcester Fire & Rescue Service expressing concern.

86/17 Planning

To consider responses to the following and any late submitted applications:

Application No.	From	Details
17/00891/HP	Mrs Nicky Cole The Glade, Blackheath Way	Two storey side and rear extension and provision of a dropped curb to create 2 No off road parking bays.
17/00960/HP	Mr E McCarthy 11 Ebrington Road	Construction of a two storey extension (part over an existing single storey extension) and improving access to and from the existing parking area. New retaining walls for the new ground floor part of the extension and parking access.
17/00790/FUL	Mr John Brooks 230B West Malvern Rd	Erection of 3 bed dwelling (to mobility standards), car parking spaces and associated works.

The following responses were agreed:

17/00891/HP, 17/00960/HP - "The Parish Council has no objection to the application".

17/00790/FUL - "The Parish Council has two concerns: Firstly that the new dwelling will dominate neighbouring 230a West Malvern Road due to its height and elevated position. Secondly, although provision is made for off road parking, ingress and egress will be compromised by poor visibility, firstly by the road layout and secondly since access will cross a dedicated on road parking area whose capacity will be reduced by at least two spaces."

87/17 Playing Fields

The tree pruning schedule had been approved and the work completed.
The style of bench for the playground was agreed and the Clerk was to place the order.

88/17 Allotments & Community Woodland

No matters were discussed.

89/17 Highways & Footpaths

To consider allocating funds to paint gas lamps: It was agreed to paint two columns initially in order to access the overall cost.

Blocked gully outside 173 West Malvern Road to be reported.

90/17 Finance

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

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From/Due to	Date	Amount	Details
Michael Barrett	30/06	£122.20	Bus Shelters & Strimming (June)
Branchworks	29/06	£650.00	Tree Works
Anthem UK	12/06	£60.00	Internal Audit
Malvern Outdoor Elements	-	£100.00	Road Resurfacing
West Malvern Allotment Association	-	£175.00	50 x £3.50 NSALG
HM Revenue & Customs	-	£247.20	PAYE (Apr-Jun)
DA Sharp	10/07	£329.80	Clerk's Fees (£412.20 SP25)
	Total	£1,684.20	

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

Savings Account B/F	£14,487.04
Interest	£1.44
Savings Account C/F	£14,488.48

Community Account B/F	£14,526.96
Allotment Fee	£20.60
July Payments	-£1,684.20
Community Account C/F	£12,863.36

91/17 Correspondence

To consider the following correspondence previously circulated:

FROM	* email	SUBJECT
Malvern Town Council	*	Malvern Community Networking Forum
UK Cycling	*	Event 30/09/17

92/17 Councillors' items for Report

No matters were discussed.

93/17 Next Meeting

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Monday 11th September 2017 in the Fisher Hall.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.45 pm.