

West Malvern Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 11th February 2019 in West Malvern Village Hall.

Before the meeting a member of the public raised concerns over the intensity of newly installed LED street lights shining into their property. County Cllr. Raine was to investigate with the lighting team.

Present

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

In Attendance

District & County Cllr. Prof. J Raine, Mr D Sharp (Clerk) & two members of the public.

14/19 Apologies

To consider acceptance of apologies for absence from Councillors: District Cllr. Mrs N McVey & Mr C Penn (Malvern Hills Trust)

15/19 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.

16/19 Reports from other representatives

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

District & County Cllr. Prof. J Raine reported on the proposed council tax increase of £5 per month for band D properties. He also reported that a local carpenter had installed shelving in the phone kiosk.

17/19 Minutes

To consider for adoption the minutes of the last Parish Council meeting: The minutes of the meeting held on 14th January were approved and signed by the Chairman.

18/19 Progress Reports and other matters arising from the minutes

No matters were discussed.

19/19 Planning

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

Application No	Location	Details
18/01810/HP	Bucklers Harcourt Road	Refurbishment of the property to include new windows, cladding, external balconies at first floor and parking arrangements.

The following response was agreed: 'The Parish Council has no objection to this application'.

20/19 Playing Fields

The maintenance of the outcrop of purple alluvial sandstone by the Earth Heritage Trust was scheduled to be undertaken on 28th February.

Cllr. Turner confirmed that he was in the process of consulting the local school children over improvements to the playing ground and playing areas as a whole.

21/19 Allotments & Community Woodland

Update on measures to protect allotment fence: The Clerk had arranged a meeting with Nick Hands, the director, of Malvern Outdoor Elements next month to discuss the issue.

22/19 Highways & Footpaths

A gully on West Malvern Road, above Park Road, had partially collapsed and was to be reported to WCC.

The Lengthman was to be asked to cut back the ivy from the West Malvern sign near the Redan Bend. Also to tidy the footway at Lamb Bank.

23/18 Finance

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

From/Due to	Date	Amount	Details
Michael Barrett	01/02	£86.20	Bus Shelters (£86.20) (January)
DA Sharp	14/01	£336.22	Clerk's Fees (Gross £420.42 SP25)
	Total	£422.42	

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

Savings Account B/F	£14,508.21	Community Account B/F	£14,453.43
		Allotment Rents (Cheques)	£360.75
		Allotment Rents (Direct Transfers)	£341.30
		WCC Lengthman	£96.00
		February Payments	-£422.42
Savings Account C/F	£14,508.21	Community Account C/F	£14,829.06

24/19 Correspondence

To consider the following correspondence previously circulated:

FROM	* email	SUBJECT
WCC	*	Prevention Matters Workshop- How councillors can improve the health of their communities – County Hall 4 th March 09:30 – 15:30
MHDC	*	Planning Enforcement Summit - Cancelled
Malvern Hills AONB	*	Public Consultation on new guidance for external lighting and for development visible in views to and from the Malvern Hills AONB

25/19 Councillors' items for Report

The Annual Parish Council Meeting was to be held on 8th April and was cover local consultation on improvements to the playground and playing fields.

26/19 Next Meeting

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Monday 11th March 2019 in the Fisher Hall.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.30 pm.