

Little Malvern & Welland Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 16th August 2021

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Present

Cllrs. Mrs V Nelson(Chair), Mr M Davies, Dr A Davis, Mr P Hancock, Dr J Mortimer, Mrs M Sumner Mr M Whaley and Mr J Whitehouse.

In Attendance

County Cllr. Mr T Wells, Mr D Sharp (Clerk) and 3 members of the public.

99/21 Apologies

To consider acceptance of apologies for absence from Councillors: Cllr. Mrs M Renton (accepted). Since the last meeting both Cllrs. Biggs and Jammal had resigned from the Parish Council. The Clerk confirmed that he had notified MHDC and had posted the appropriate 'casual vacancy' notices.

100/21 Interests

i. Councillors Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and Other Disclosable Interests 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.

101/21 Planning

To consider response to the following any late submitted applications:

Application No	Location	Details
21/00795/FUL	Land At (Os 7964 4028) Rear Of Cornfield Close	Change of use of land for the exercising of horses and erection of two stables and hay barn
21/01183/CU	Holdfast Cottage Hotel Marlbank Road	Change of use of the existing hotel (C1) into a holiday let accommodation (C3)
21/01221/LB	Marlbank Farmhouse	Conversion of attic bedroom to shower room and WC
21/01066/ADV	Rosebud Meadow	Erection of sign to indicate the entrance of the track leading to Rosebud Meadow campsite.

Cllr. Davies abstained from voting due to his position as District Councillor.

The following responses were agreed:

21/00795/FUL, 21/01221/LB, 21/01066/ADV - "The Parish Council has no objection to the application".

21/01183/CU – At the last meeting this had been delegated to the Clerk and the following response was ratified - "The Parish Council has no objection to the application".

102/21 Minutes

To consider for adoption the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 19th July: These were accepted as accurate records and they were signed by the Chairman.

103/21 Progress reports and other matters arising from these minutes

No matters were discussed.

104/21 Reports by District and County Councillors and other Representatives

County Cllr. Tom Wells reported that the Hannah Davies, the Highways liaison officer, would be away for a further month with Barry Barnes deputising. Cllr. Wells was aware of the poor results from recent resurfacing and chipping of Drake Street but did not know if any remedial work could be undertaken. Deficiencies in the bus service were being looked at and he hoped that the 363 service would be returned to full operation.

The County Council had bid for £16M from central government for improvements to 'active travel' operations such as walking and cycling.

Finally he admitted that the height variation issues on the Gloucester Road footway that were causing difficulties for a disabled resident had not been resolved.

105/21 Committee, Working Party & Other Representative Reports & Recommendations

i. Neighbourhood Planning Working Group:

To consider the latest indicative timetable and proposals for non-policy actions: The Regulation 14 consultation was due to commence on Friday 10th September. Summary of the plan would be sent to every household and there would be an online survey for comments, which would last for six weeks. A further six-eight week period would allow any amendments to the proposed plan prior to submission to MHDC and hopefully a referendum in mid 2022. It was further agreed to consider community development projects which would make up an addendum to the final plan.

ii. Communications Working Group: The Group was still investigating options to migrate the website.

iii. Playing Fields/Open Spaces Working Group:

To consider entering into a pitch maintenance agreement with Welland Juniors FC: This was agreed and a template from the Football Association was adapted and signed by the chair and vice chair and the chair of Welland Juniors FC.

It was also agreed to prepare an S106 funding application for new football goals and line marking equipment.

Installation of the outdoor gym was due to commence at the start of October and the storage shed for Spitalfileds was due for delivery soon.

Finally Cllr. Davies confirmed that the current S106 funding pool stood at about £266,000 still available, £164,000 of which would need to be spent by March 2024 or would risk being returned to the developers. It was noted that cycling had been very successful in the recent Olympic games particularly off road varieties.

iv. Orchard Working Group: The cladding of the storage container had been completed and cider, from the first years harvest, had been distributed. It was hoped that funding could be secured for mowing equipment.

v. Highways Working Group: It was noted that there was a profusion of weeds along roadside kerbs and the Clerk was to clarify WCCs policy on weedkilling.

vi. Footpaths Working Group: The Group had met last week and a leaflet was in the design process. The 'Parish Online' mapping facility was to be utilised.

106/21 Community Development Facilitator

To consider recent applications for the post of Community Facilitator: Four applications had been received and Cllrs. Nelson, Davies and Sumner in consultation with the Clerk were to create a shortlist and conduct interviews.

107/21 Parish Council Promotions

Four concerts had been booked up to January 2022. An event in the orchard was still to be finalised.

108/21 Correspondence

To consider responses to the following correspondence previously circulated:

FROM	* email	SUBJECT
CALC	*	Updates
NALC	*	Chief Executive's Bulletin
NALC	*	Online Events
CALC	*	Training & Events Update for Councillors and Clerks
SWDPR	*	Parish and Town Council Newsletter July 2021
West Mercia PCC	*	Safer West Mercia Plan
MHDC	*	New Street Name Request Rear Of Cornfield Close
Clerk	*	Welland Juniors FC Maintenance Agreement
Elan City		Brochure

109/21 Finance**To consider payment of invoices presented:**

The following payments were approved from the **Main Account**:

From/Due To	Date	Amount	Details
J Moore	22/07	£236.00	Lengthman Duties (July)
Steve Maund	01/08	£270.00	Grass Cutting (x3)
Broadleaf Tree Care	26/07	£400.00	Grass Cutting
E Hardman	16/08	£104.00	Handyman (£130 Gross)
D Sharp	16/08	£406.00	Clerk's Fee (£507.60 – 40 hrs @ SCP 17)
	TOTAL	£1,416.00	

Accounts Summary

Reserves Lloyds B/F	£2,976.67		Main Account B/F	£149,877.47
Interest	£0.05	£2,976.72		
Fête Account	£1,832.36	£1,832.36	WCC Lengthman	£236.00
Buildings Account	£804.47	£804.47		
Neighbourhood Plan Ac.	£4,766.65			
		£4,766.65		
Funding Account	£1,260.30		August Payments	-£1,416.00
		£1,260.30		
Total C/F		£11,640.50	Main Account C/F	£148,697.47

110/21 Any other matters for report or for future consideration

The scheme to improve the area of the playing fields near the shop was to be revisited, also the possible improvement of car parking and access around the village hall.

111/21 Date of next meeting

No news had been received regarding an expected imminent planning application for the Pheasant Inn.

Some interest had been shown in the creation of a coffee shop in the church. Further details would be available next month.

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 9:00 pm.