

Little Malvern & Welland Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 15th August 2022

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Present

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

In Attendance

Mr D Sharp (Clerk) and five members of the public.

110/22 Public Participation

The Council invites local residents attending the meeting to make comments and suggestions, and question the Parish Council on issues on the agenda, or raise issues for future consideration: No matters were discussed.

111/22 Apologies

To consider acceptance of apologies for absence from Councillors: Cllrs. Dr J Mortimer (delayed) and Mr M Whaley (accepted).

112/22 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.

113/22 Planning

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

Application No	At	Details
M/22/00977/HP	30 The Avenue	First floor extension and free standing garage.

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

The following response was agreed – Comment – ‘The Parish Council has no objection to the application’.

ii. Decisions notified.

No decisions had been received.

114/22 Minutes

To consider for adoption the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 18th July 2022:

These were accepted as an accurate record and they were signed by the Chairman.

115/22 Progress reports and matters arising from these minutes

No matters were discussed.

116/22 Reports by District and County Councillors and other Representatives

District Councillor Mick Davies reported that the SWDPR was on track for publication in October and subsequent submission to the Secretary of State. The status of the 5 year land supply was still uncertain and further statistics were to be published in October.

He also confirmed that MHDC had objected to the Boundary Commission proposal for a two member ward of Welland and Castlemorton.

The £2½M improvement scheme of the Malvern Theatre was now underway and the application for £23M for a major upgrade had now been submitted as had the £2¼M sustainable communities application to improve community and employment facilities.

MHDC had also pledged funds to support Malvern Hills College.

Two liaison officers had been appointed to help with the 210 Refugees who had been housed in the district.

Finally he reminded residents about voter registration and he expected the Pheasant Inn planning application to be considered by committee on 14th September.

117/22 Committee, Working Party & Other Representative Reports & Recommendations

i. Neighbourhood Planning Working Group: All policies had now been redrafted and the site assessment report was expected late August.

ii. Communications Working Group: A newsletter was to be produced including support for the Church cafe. It would also contain interviews concerning the Marlbank Pub and the Library.

iii. Playing Fields/Open Spaces Working Group: *To consider purchase of storage shed:* This was approved and was to be funded from CiL moneys.

The recent good weather had resulted in a large increase in rubbish near the playground, much left on the ground. The Clerk had purchased a new bin which he hoped would alleviate the problem and the situation was to be monitored.

It was hoped to arrange gym awareness sessions on Sunday mornings in September.

iv. Orchard Working Group: *To consider progress with leasehold agreement:* This was to be considered at the next meeting.

The Group held their first birthday party last week. A wide variety of fruit was being harvested and creation of the disabled access ramp entrance near the church was due to start soon.

v. Highways Working Group:

Clerk to contact Highways over stone chippings that had been thrown onto the Marlbank footway following top dressing of the road. Several other queries concerning road safety such as '20 is plenty' and road markings were to be drafted and submitted also.

Cllr. Davis confirmed that the costs for new speed indicating devices were £1750 for a mains powered unit and £2250 for solar powered. Several sites were to be identified and an application for the installation of posts to mount the units on was to be made.

The Community Speed Watch group had been out several times this month.

vi. Footpaths Working Group: The leaflet covering four local walks had been completed and was to be published.

The Group was looking at recommendations to WCC to improve certain footways.

vii. S106 Working Group: *To consider purchase of cinema equipment and review agreement with PCC for use of Church:* This scheme was ongoing and a business plan was to be drafted.

The S106 grant application to fund disabled access to the playing field by the shop, improved gates and new fencing had been provisionally approved. Additional information had been submitted and the MHDC legal agreement was being finalised.

Cllr. Mortimer joined the meeting

118/22 Community Development Facilitator

The Spacehive funding initiative for a Welland Youth Art Club was progressing.

Discussions were ongoing with Age UK over hosting local 'Coffee Mornings'.

119/22 Pavilion

Update on pavilion management: A meeting was to be held next week.

120/22 Correspondence

To consider the responses to the following correspondence previously circulated:

FROM	SUBJECT
CALC	Updates
CALC	Training and Events Update
NALC	Chief Executive's Bulletin
NALC	Events
MHDC	July Malvern Hills Business e-Bulletin
Whatley Recordon Solicitors	Orchard Lease
Smaller Authorities' Audit Appointments	2022 Opt-out Communication ⁽ⁱ⁾
St James Green Residents	Letter ⁽ⁱⁱ⁾
Resident	Injury Report ⁽ⁱⁱⁱ⁾
Resident	Steam Rally ^(iv)

- (i) – It was agreed not to opt out of the proposed scheme.
(ii) – A report of alleged antisocial behaviour was to be forwarded to Platform Housing and the Local Policing Team.
(iii) – The Clerk had inspected the area behind the pavilion for trip hazards and was to respond.
(iv) – Concerns were raised over traffic queues at the recent event. A meeting was to be requested with organisers, WCC Highways and the local County Councillor.

121/22 Finance

i. To consider payment of invoices presented:

The following payments were made between meetings from the **Main Account** and were ratified:

From/Due To	Date	Amount	Details
Lee Farley	02/08	£296.40	Community Development Facilitator
Jeremy Moore	19/07	£400.00	Conservation Work Old St James Cemetery
	TOTAL	£696.40	

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

From/Due To	Date	Amount	Details
J Moore	22/06	£248.00	Lengthman Duties (July)
JMart	-	£25.96	Dustbin & Rubbish Bags
Peter Hamilton	10/08	£1,000.00	Neighbourhood Plan Consultancy
Heating Maintenance Services	04/08	£360.00	Pavilion Electrical Safety Check
HM Revenue & Customs	-	£310.80	PAYE (Apr-Jun)
E Hardman	15/08	£150.00	Handyman (£150 Gross - tax coding 1251L)
D Sharp	15/08	£414.40	Clerk's Fee (40 hrs @ SCP 17. £518.00 Gross)
	TOTAL	£2,509.16	

Accounts Summary

Reserves Lloyds B/F	£2,977.00	
Interest	£0.10	£2,977.10
Fête Account	£1,117.36	£1,117.36
Buildings Account	£6.47	£6.47
Neighbourhood Plan Ac.	£1,716.42	£1,716.42
Funding Account	£1,775.61	£1,775.61
Total C/F		£7,592.96

Main Account B/F	£38,132.02
Western Power Wayleave	£35.72
Pre Payments	-£696.40
August Payments	-£2,509.16
Main Account C/F	£34,962.18

122/22 Any other matters for report or for future consideration

No further matters were discussed.

123/22 Date of the next meeting

The next Parish Council Meeting would take place on Monday 19th September 2022 at 7.30pm in Welland Parish Hall.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9:30pm