

# WARNDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held  
Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2017 at Lyppard HUB commencing at 7.30pm

**Present:**

Councillors: R. Morris (Chairman), N. Fielden (Vice Chairman), R. Harris, V. Barrall, D. Merriman, A. Taylor, L. Morris, D. Long.

**Also present:**

County Cllr A. Roberts, Ward Cllr S. Hodgson, Parish Warden A. Booth, Police CSO.

**Apologies:**

Ward Cllr L Hodgson, Police Sgt Hallam, Ward Cllr A. Feeney.

**Declarations of Interest & Councillor Dispensation Requests:**

None

Item:	Minute Recorded:	Action By:
34.	<p><b>The Minutes of a meeting held 4<sup>th</sup> September 2017</b> were agreed and signed as a true record. Proposed L. Morris, seconded D. Long. All agreed. Item 26 was amended to add Vice Chairman.</p>	
35.	<p><b>Reports</b></p> <p><b>Police</b> – L. Morris and N. Fielden raised on-going concerns regarding ‘boy racer’ / motorcycle nuisance. Some have been caught in the act and there has been some reduction, but still some causing real nuisance and acting dangerously. The PC noted the recent trend in vehicle crime which may be opportunist? Reports often circulated on social media.</p> <p><b>VAS Report</b> – circulated by R. Morris. Recent stats noted.</p> <p><b>County Councillor</b> – updates via the Chairman. New crossing noted close to the hospital. Some concern re the location being too far away for people to walk. Planning application for 49 extra dwellings off Newtown Rd – amendment noted with concern.</p> <p><b>Ward Councillors</b> – A quiet month! Noted the sanction of £100K towards a feasibility study in to the new WCFC ground along Parsonage Way. Subject to normal planning process and an Env. Impact Assessment required once scheme is designed. Concerns raised re the location</p>	

	<p>suitability and the £1 p.a. rental proposed. Other options available? Land designated for leisure and educational purposes in previous Warndon Local Plan? To be further investigated.</p>	
36.	<p><b>Developments along the Bypass</b></p> <p>The Chairman displayed a sketch of the development during the past 5 years. Impact of vehicle movements noted. Concern re the addition of a football ground; current hospital parking impact still unresolved. Very frustrating that the PC report to Worcester City Policy &amp; Review Committee didn't get mentioned at the recent meeting held. (As reported in the Worcester News)</p> <p>L. Morris suggested we maintain our consistent objections and keep up the pressure.</p> <p>Concern that traffic impact assessments are carried out per application rather than cumulatively which cannot lead to realistic outcomes. The retail development is still unresolved and not yet going to planning committee.</p> <p>The potential distribution centre (change of use application) has an unknown vehicle impact, especially if in addition to other developments.</p> <p>Real concern that Worcester City appears to be disregarding SWDP policy and 'free wheeling' along the Bypass land.</p> <p>The Chair and Vice Chair have held a meeting with the MD of Worcester City Council and agreed actions, however a month has passed and nothing has so far been done by the City.</p> <p>It was proposed by L. Morris that the PC write formally to the City Council to place our concerns on record as lots of ill feeling locally which could be harnessed in a positive way.</p> <p>All agreed to put together a formal letter as proposed.</p> <p>The PC can also ask the City Audit Committee to investigate the £100K spend after it has been spent as there is currently uncertainty re what it will be spent on when other Council services are really underfunded.</p> <p>The junction 6 redevelopment plan is also undetermined but demand continues to increase. The PC agreed to monitor developments and County Cllr Roberts agreed to look in to it.</p>	<p>Chair / LM to action a formal letter as agreed.</p> <p>County Cllr Roberts to look in to the J6 redevelopment plan – current situation?</p>
37	<p><b>Environmental Matters</b></p> <p>Report as circulated by D. Merriman. Actions and concerns noted.</p> <p>Play areas – some equipment isolated for refurbishment in the future.</p>	

	<p>Grass cutting – The City has confirmed 5 days owed which will be worked by end of the month. Hedge cutting has now started.</p> <p>The Parish Warden reported some anti-social behaviour recently around Plantation Drive. Noted by Police.</p> <p>Winter works programme – collation of work currently and tree survey to be progressed asap.</p> <p>The Chairman raised concern re Hastings Drive and the conflict between cyclists and dog walkers. County Cllr Roberts to raise the matter and liaise with the Chairman.</p> <p>Land ownership matters causing problems with longterm maintenance. The City has limited resources but following legal work, still end up maintaining these areas. A meeting is to be arranged between D. Merriman and Warwick Neale to look at the bigger picture / options – land transfers need confirming asap in order to solve residents upset over inconsistencies, especially re tree works.</p> <p>A. Taylor has a map of the north of the parish which might be useful – ref 1988 documents.</p> <p>Noted that Ward Cllr A. Feeney may be a useful committee member at the City.</p>	
38	<p><b>Planning &amp; Rights of Way</b></p> <p>Report as circulated by L. Morris – noted.</p> <p>Neighbourhood Planning - report as circulated by A. Taylor – noted the need to discuss in more detail soon as some emerging issues.</p>	
39	<p><b>Leisure &amp; Community Affairs</b></p> <p>V. Barrall is speaking to the Hub re Xmas activities.</p> <p><b>Allotments</b> - R. Morris updated that there would soon be a planning application re the extension. Lottery funding has been awarded for the archaeological works and a community engagement project is planned.</p> <p><b>Newsletter</b> – deliveries have been done by D. Merriman, R. Harris, V. Barrall, S &amp; L Hodgson plus some via Berrows. Thanks to all involved.</p> <p><b>Defibrillators</b> – a training session has been held successfully. The appeal for a third location for a defib. May also have been successful as a resident has come forward to help in the Dugdale Drive area. An article has been sent to the Worcester News re the scheme. Next training date to be arranged shortly.</p>	

40.	<p><b>Finance &amp; Governance</b></p> <p>The statement of accounts was approved as circulated by the Clerk.</p> <p>There has been no audit update from Grant Thornton.</p>							
41	<p><b>Reports from Outside Bodies</b></p> <p>Lyppard Hub – meeting to be arranged.</p> <p>Worcester City Standards Board – next meeting in November.</p> <p>CALC updates as circulated by the Clerk.</p>							
42.	<p><b>Councillor Reports &amp; Items for Future Agendas</b></p> <p>D. Merriman – further debate needed re speeding along Plantation Drive – agreed to place on next agenda.</p> <p>Chairman to consider next steps.</p>							
43.	<p><b>Report of the Clerk</b></p> <p>Accounts approved for payment -</p> <table data-bbox="288 891 911 1010"> <tr> <td>£406.07</td> <td>Clerk's salary</td> </tr> <tr> <td>£84.00</td> <td>Postage (newsletter) - debit card</td> </tr> <tr> <td>£80.48</td> <td>Newsquest (newsletter delivery)</td> </tr> </table> <p>Income – 2nd half precept to be confirmed by bank statement</p> <p>Remembrance Parade in Worcester City – 12<sup>th</sup> November – D. Long to attend.</p>	£406.07	Clerk's salary	£84.00	Postage (newsletter) - debit card	£80.48	Newsquest (newsletter delivery)	
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	<p><b>There being no further business the meeting closed at 9 pm</b></p>							