

# West Malvern Parish Council

## Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2015 in The Fisher Hall.

### Present

Cllrs. Mr W Shearer (Chairman),, Mrs J Burford, Mrs S Rouse, Mr A Turner

### In Attendance

County and District Cllr. Prof J Raine; District Cllr. Mr J Roskams; Mr D Sharp (Clerk).

### 71/15 Apologies

#### **To consider acceptance of apologies for absence from Councillors:**

Cllrs. Mrs C Bower & Mr L Unsworth (accepted). Also Mr C Rouse (Malvern Hills Conservators).

### 72/15 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. (Written requests to be with the clerk at least 4 clear days prior to a meeting.):** There were none.

### 73/15 Reports from other representatives

#### **To receive reports from County and District Councillors, Malvern Hills Conservators, Tree and Footpath Wardens:**

**District Cllr. J Roskams** reported that the SWDP was due back to the council from the inspector in September and it was hoped to be adopted early in 2016. The District Council was currently looking at making waste collection more efficient.

**County Cllr. J Raine** Reported that several Highways issues were ongoing, including the poor state of the De Walden Road footway.

### 74/15 Minutes

**To consider for adoption the minutes of the last Parish Council meeting:** The minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> May were approved and signed by the Chairman.

### 75/15 Progress Reports and other matters arising from the minutes

The Clerk confirmed that he had suggested to Regents College to register their defibrillator with the West Midlands Ambulance Service under the 'Public Access' scheme.

A letter advocating the scheme to replace five electric street lights on Harcourt Road with LED gas lantern equivalents had been sent to WCC.

A working party had cleared the bank above the old football pitch of detritus following its cut by Peter O'Boyle. It was hoped it could now be added to the grass cutting schedule.

The Clerk reported that he had not been able to secure a date from Mark Haslam (Camra) to arrange a further meeting to discuss the future of the Brewers Arms.

### 76/15 Planning

To consider a response to the following application:

Application No	From	Details
15/00537/HOU	Mrs J Davis 31 Lower Road	Enclose an existing single storey porch and build an extension to form a hallway.

It was agreed that no objection be made to the application.

### 77/15 Playing Fields

The Clerk reported that he had arranged for the playingfields grass to be cut this week and also on 1<sup>st</sup> July, just before WestFest.

It was reported that the chains on the playground swings were worn. Clerk to investigate and order replacements.

The jubilee memorial stone was still to me moved.

### 78/15 Allotments & Community Woodland

The Chairman and Clerk were to make an allotment inspection on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> June with Cllr. Bower if available. The Chairman was also to attend the Allotment Association meeting on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June.

It was agreed to get costings for two picnic benches and two concrete pads to be installed on the glade.

There were still two or three trees that needed to be removed from the glade to create an uninterrupted view.

### 79/15 Highways & Footpaths

The Clerk was awaiting confirmation from WCC Countryside Services that Mr James Bullett was to take over from Mr Robin Whittlestone as footpaths warden.

### 80/15 Finance

*i. To consider approval of annual accounts:* The accounts were approved and signed by the Chairman and Clerk.

*ii. To consider completion of 'Annual Governance Statement':* This was completed and signed by the Chairman and Clerk.

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

From/Due to	Date	Amount	Details
J Moore	04/06	£236.00	Lengthman Fees (May) Bus Shelter Cleaning (May) Roundup Weedkiller Clerk's Fees May (£404.08 gross SP25)
SF Creamer	31/05	£40.00	
B&Q	-	£13.93	
DA Sharp	08/06	£323.28	
Total		<b>£613.21</b>	

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

<b>Savings Account B/F</b>	<b>£14,468.95</b>
<b>Savings Account C/F</b>	<b>£14,468.95</b>

<b>Community Account B/F</b>	<b>£10,908.49</b>
June Payments	-£613.21
<b>Community Account C/F</b>	<b>£10,295.28</b>

### 81/15 Correspondence

*To consider the following correspondence previously circulated:*

FROM	* email	SUBJECT
Pensions Regulator		Automatic Pension Enrolment

### 82/15 Councillors' items for Report

Nothing further was discussed.

### 83/15 Next Meeting

The date of the next Parish Council Meeting was confirmed as Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2015 in the Fisher Hall.

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