

West Malvern Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 13th March 2017 in the Fisher Hall.

Present

Cllrs. Mr W Shearer (Chairman), Mrs C Bower, Mrs J Burford, Mrs E Harnden, Mr C Rouse

In Attendance

District & County Cllr. Prof. J Raine, Mr D Sharp (Clerk).

Before the meeting Justine Brooks from Malvern Cycle Sport mad a request for the group to be allowed to use the playing fields during June and July (possibly September) between 1800-1900 on Wednesday evenings for training sessions. The request was to be considered under item 7(33/17).

27/17 Apologies

To consider acceptance of apologies for absence from Councillors:

Cllrs. Mr A Turner, Mr T White. (Accepted). Also Mr C Penn (Malvern Hills Conservators).

28/17 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.

29/17 Reports from other representatives

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

County and District Cllr. John Raine reported that an application for a disabled parking bay at St James crescent had been received. He also wanted to address the issue of inappropriate parking which had been highlighted by a fire appliance not being able to reach an incident recently on Belmont Road. He was to meet shortly with Roy Fullee, the Highways liaison officer. He also confirmed that he would attend the Annual Parish Meeting in May in his role as Chairman of Malvern Hills Conservators Governance Committee.

30/17 Minutes

To consider for adoption the minutes of the last Parish Council meeting: The minutes of the meeting held on 13th February were approved and signed by the Chairman.

31/17 Progress Reports and other matters arising from the minutes

No matters were discussed.

32/17 Planning

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

Application No.	From	Details
17/00017/HOU	Dr Elise Kearny Hillend, 83 West Malvern Rd	Two storey side extension and raised patio area.
17/00330/FUL	Mr M Scriven 21 Lamb Bank	Erection of dwelling including demolition of existing outbuildings

It was agreed to return 'No Objection' to both applications.

33/17 Playing Fields

To consider allowing a cycling club use of the playing fields: This was agreed by a majority although concerns were raised about possible damage. Use to be monitored.

34/17 Allotments & Community Woodland

To consider arranging a tree survey: This was agreed and the Clerk was to arrange a date.

The Clerk reported that a tree had fallen down, during a recent storm, and damaged a greenhouse in an adjoining garden. He had informed the insurance company and he and the Chairman had cut up and removed the tree and made the area safe.

35/17 Highways & Footpaths

Clerk to report section of newly laid footway on Croft Bank which had sunk.

It was agreed to make further enquiries before agreeing to continue with the Lengthman scheme.

36/17 Finance

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

From/Due to	Date	Amount	Details
Sight Design	10/03	£112.80	Gas Lamp maintenance
J Moore	03/03	£118.00	Lengthman Fees (February)
Michael Barrett	13/03	£86.20	Bus Shelters (February)
Malvern Town Council	10/03	£300.00	Grass Cutting/Rubbish (Jan-Mar)
Small Engine Services	01/03	£21.00	Saw Chains
DA Sharp	13/03	£329.60	Clerk's Fees (£412.20 SP25)
	Total	£967.60	

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

Savings Account B/F	£14,485.61
Savings Account C/F	£14,485.61

Community Account B/F	£10,493.68
Allotment Rents	£72.55
WCC Lengthman	£118.00
Ward Budget	£200.00
March Payments	-£967.60
Community Account C/F	£9,916.63

37/17 Correspondence

To consider the following correspondence previously circulated:

FROM	* email	SUBJECT
MHDC	*	Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) Consultations
MHDC	*	Community Infrastructure Levy Charging Schedule
MHDC	*	Parish/Town planning application consultations
MHDC	*	Town and Parish Council Workshop: Health and Well Being Friday 17 th March – 7.45pm-1.30pm – Council Chamber
Landsdown Crescent Methodist Church	*	Public Discussion/Debate in Malvern "Mental Health Matters" 25th March 2017 - 7.45pm-9.30pm
Clerk	*	Tree Damage
MHDC	*	Planning Training 23 February - Flood Risk & Drainage
MHDC	*	Great British Spring Clean
WCC		Lengthman
Zurich Insurance		Damage Claim

38/17 Councillors' items for Report

It was noted that three gas lamps were not working: Near The Brewers Arms, Harcourt Road and The Lower Dingle. One lamp on Westminster Bank was lit constantly. Clerk to contact Sight Designs.

39/17 Next Meeting

The date of the next Parish Council Meeting was confirmed as Monday 10th April 2017.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.50 pm.