

# West Malvern Parish Council

## Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2018 in West Malvern Village Hall.

### Present

Cllrs. (Chairman), Mrs C Bower, Mrs J Burford, Mrs E Harden, Mr A Turner, Mr T White.

### In Attendance

District & County Cllr. Prof. J Raine, District Cllr. Mrs N McVey and Mr D Sharp (Clerk).

### 95/18 Apologies

**To consider acceptance of apologies for absence from Councillors:** Cllr. Mr W Shearer (accepted). Also Mr C Penn (Malvern Hills Trust).

### 96/18 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.

### 97/18 Reports from other representatives

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

**Cllr. Natalie McVey** reported that the current District Council magazine was being delivered. She was also to arrange a litter pick in the next few weeks and no progress had been made with the Broadlands Drive development.

**Cllr. John Raine** reported on a meeting he had attended to discuss the reduction in some bus services throughout the county. West Malvern remained unaffected. There was to be a meeting of Malvern Hills Trust later in the week.

### 98/18 Minutes

**To consider for adoption the minutes of the last Parish Council meeting:** The minutes of the meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> July were approved and signed by the Chairman.

### 99/18 Progress Reports and other matters arising from the minutes

There had been no luck in sourcing shelving for the telephone kiosk by the village hall.

### 100/18 Planning

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

Application No	From	Details
18/01059/HP	72 West Malvern Rd.	2nd floor extension and rear extension to dwelling including alterations to access to create on-site parking

The following response was agreed:

"The Parish Council has a number of concerns over the proposed application and consequently wishes to submit an objection:

1. Off street parking - there is no turning provision within the site for vehicles, consequently vehicles will have to reverse into the parking area. This is very close to a blind bend and such a manoeuvre, particularly if approaching from the north, will be dangerous. Similarly egress from the site will be problematic due to reduced visibility.
2. The practicalities of undertaking such a large project within the confines of the property have not been addressed. To ensure safety for both pedestrians and drivers it would be necessary to ensure that there was no required closure of the only footway on this section of West Malvern Road, the carriageway nor the adjacent PRoW during the process.
3. The proposed development represents a significant increase in floor area over the original design and is not in keeping with area and represents overdevelopment of the site.
4. The assertion to provide 'views across the fabulous countryside from the rear of the property' seems at odds with the addition of height to their property resulting in the restriction of the present views from numbers 49 and 51 West Malvern Road, opposite.
5. The extended roof height will reduce light to the northeastern facing windows of 74 West Malvern Road."

### 101/18 Playing Fields

Some ash saplings were to be removed from the bluebell field to clear views from benches on the playing fields. The Clerk also reported that he had mended the holes in the football goal nets.

## 102/18 Allotments & Community Woodland

**Update on S106 application:** MHDC had indicated that more funding was available and it was agreed to use this on benches to be positioned near the proposed path. The Clerk reported that MHDC required proof of ownership in the form of land deeds. Unfortunately these had not been registered with the land registry and he was currently making further investigations.

## 103/18 Highways & Footpaths

**i. To consider joining the WCC Lengthman scheme:** This was agreed and Michael Barrett's contract was to include Lengthman duties.

**ii. Update on gas lamp and telephone kiosk maintenance:** Bob Burford had agreed to paint the gas lamps and materials were to be provided. The Clerk was to arrange painting and re-glazing of the kiosk at the Dingle.

## 104/18 Finance

**To consider payment of invoices presented:** The following payments were made between meetings and were ratified:

From/Due to	Date	Amount	Details
B Witherford	09/07	£550.00	Allotment Fence Repair
HM Revenue & Customs	09/07	£250.60	PAYE (Apr-Jun)
Michael Barrett	01/08	£86.20	Bus Shelters (July)
Go Greener	17/08	£216.00	Skip Hire
British Gas	02/07	£674.04	Gas Lamp Supply
B&Q	15/08	£78.30	Allotment Store
DA Sharp	16/08	£336.42	Clerk's Fees (Gross £420.42 SP25)
<b>Total</b>		<b>£2,191.56</b>	

The following payments were approved:

From/Due to	Date	Amount	Details
Michael Barrett	01/09	£86.20	Bus Shelters (August)
Malvern Town Council	19/06	£444.00	Grass Cutting/Waste Removal
Weston Mitchell Ltd	05/10	£42.20	Gas Lamp Paint
DA Sharp	10/09	£336.22	Clerk's Fees (Gross £420.42 SP25)
<b>Total</b>		<b>£908.62</b>	

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

<b>Savings Account B/F</b>	<b>£14,496.79</b>	<b>Community Account B/F</b>	<b>£16,180.98</b>
		Ratified Payments	-£2,191.56
		September Payments	-£908.62
<b>Savings Account C/F</b>	<b>£14,496.79</b>	<b>Community Account C/F</b>	<b>£13,080.80</b>

## 105/18 Correspondence

**To consider the following correspondence previously circulated:**

FROM	* email	SUBJECT
CPRE	*	AGM Cancellation
MHDC	*	Housing Study 2018
MHDC	*	Adoption of South Worcestershire Supplementary Planning Documents
MHDC	*	Enviro week is coming 29/09-02/10- community litter picks planned across the district
Chris Borg	*(i)	NALC Future Membership Needs Session
MHDC	*	Consultation on Revised Statement of Principles - Gambling Act 2005 - Malvern Hills District Council
Kelvin James West Mercia	*	Link and Dyson news letter
CPRE	*	AGM Thu 13 <sup>th</sup> Sept at Shires Farm WR3 7SG – 6.30pm for 7.00pm
CPRE		Countryside Voice

(i) As this was a daytime meeting no councillors were able to attend. Clerk to respond.

## 106/18 Councillors' items for Report

It was noted that the village hall committee had plans to purchase display boards to be used primarily in the Fisher Hall. It was expected that funding would be sought and details would sent to the Parish Council for possible consideration.

## 107/18 Next Meeting

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2018 in the Fisher Hall.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.00 pm.