

West Malvern Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 11th March 2019 in West Malvern Village Hall.

Before the meeting a discussion took place over any future improvements to the playing fields. This followed the consultation with primary school parents and children over the utilisation of possible S106 contributions from the approved residential development on Broadlands Drive in North Malvern.

Present

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

In Attendance

District & County Cllr. Prof. J Raine, Mr D Sharp (Clerk) & two members of the public.

27/19 Apologies

To consider acceptance of apologies for absence from Councillors: District Cllr. Mrs N McVey & Mr C Penn (Malvern Hills Trust).

28/19 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.

29/19 Reports from other representatives

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

District & County Cllr. Prof. J Raine reported that planning for the forthcoming May elections for Parish and District Councils were advanced and the period of purdah was to commence from 22nd March. As a result there was very little to report. Work to the Council House to create a reception area were nearing completion and the Council chamber would be renovated next.

30/19 Minutes

To consider for adoption the minutes of the last Parish Council meeting: The minutes of the meeting held on 11th February were approved and signed by the Chairman.

31/19 Progress Reports and other matters arising from the minutes

No matters were discussed.

32/19 Planning

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

Application No	Location	Details
19/00062/HP	Hillend, 83 West Malvern Road	Two storey side extension and patio area

The following response was agreed: "The Parish Council has no objection to the principle of the development however drainage matters are of particular concern in the parish and we urge MHDC to satisfy themselves fully that adequate provision for surface water management is made and to ensure that the advice from S.W. Land Drainage Partnership is followed."

33/19 Playing Fields

Cllr. Turner confirmed that the consultation process over improvements to the playing fields was well underway and several suggestions had been made. This subject was to be the main topic of the Annual Parish Meeting.

34/19 Allotments & Community Woodland

Update on measures to protect allotment fence: The Clerk and Chairman had met with Nick Hands, the director, of Malvern Outdoor Elements who had indicated that his preferred solution was to create an 'offroad' parking bay for one coach from the grassed area adjacent to the bungalows. This land was owned by Fortis Housing and the Clerk was to write outlining the proposal for their consideration.

The Clerk hoped that the new path in the woodland would be completed by the next meeting.

35/19 Highways & Footpaths

On a regular check four gas lamps were found to be faulty. Sight Designs to be contacted.

36/19 Bus Shelters

To consider future maintenance of shelters: It was agreed not to renew the current contract when it expired at the end of the month and to advertise locally for a replacement.

37/18 Finance

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

From/Due to	Date	Amount	Details
Michael Barrett	01/03	£86.20	Bus Shelters (£86.20) (February)
DA Sharp	11/03	£336.42	Clerk's Fees (Gross £420.42 SP25)
	Total	£422.62	

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

Savings Account B/F	£14,508.21
Savings Account C/F	£14,508.21

Community Account B/F	£14,829.06
Allotment Rents (Cheque)	£53.90
HM Revenue & Customs VAT	£1,532.21
March Payments	-£422.62
Community Account C/F	£15,992.55

38/19 Correspondence

To consider the following correspondence previously circulated:

FROM	* email	SUBJECT
MHDC	*	Electoral Services
UK Cycling Events	*	Advance notification of cycle event
MHDC	*	Rescheduled Planning Enforcement Summit 13/03/19
Malvern Town Council		Mayor's Civic Service
HM Revenue & Customs		End of Year

39/19 Councillors' items for Report

Mr Laurie Gregory had offered to supply historical pictures of West Malvern for display in the village Hall. This was to be referred to the Village Hall Committee.

40/19 Next Meeting

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Monday 8th April 2019 in the Village Hall following the Annual Parish Meeting.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.40 pm.