

POWICK PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held
Wednesday 6th November 2019 at Powick Parish Hall commencing at 8.00 pm

PRESENT: Cllrs C. Phillips, A. Lamb, P. Harris, J. Allsopp, D. Jones, M. Huckfield, S. Underwood, J. Foy, M. Richmond, F & S Williams, R. Humpage and R. Willetts.
Also present – County Cllr T. Wells.

APOLOGIES: Cllr E. Newman.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST & APPLICATIONS FOR COUNCILLOR DISPENSATIONS:

There were no pecuniary or prejudicial interests declared for this meeting. There were no applications for dispensations.

ITEM:	MINUTE RECORDED:	ACTION AGREED:
19.53	Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council and Report of the Planning Committee held 2nd October 2019: The Minutes were agreed and signed as a true record. Proposed by Cllr Foy, seconded Cllr Richmond. All agreed.	
19.54	Lengthsman Report: There had been no report received for the meeting, but it is expected shortly. Cllr Foy raised a resident query about dotted lines outside Manor Farm which the Clerk will follow up with Highways. Cllr Phillips raised concerns regarding the flood pump maintenance which the Clerk will follow up in writing with the Lengthsman. Pump equipment must be maintained annually in September.	Clerk to action concerns as raised.
19.55	Financial & Governance Matters: 1. The statement of accounts was approved as circulated. Reconciliation proposed by Cllr Underwood, seconded Cllr Richmond. All agreed. 2. Unity Trust Bank accounts – funds have been transferred. Barclays accounts to be closed. 3. S.106 funding updates – none. 4. CIL funding - £2243.40 has been received from MHDC. 5. Precept / Budget 2020-21 – Clerk will prepare figures for the next meeting.	Clerk to arrange accounts closure. Clerk to prepare budget / precept figs for next meeting.
19.56	Strategic Planning: 1. SWDP Review – Cllr Lamb gave an update on the review meeting attended at the Guildhall, Worcester and about the 3 strategic development sites of Rushwick, Norton and Throckmorton. Village sites – Callow End has been recategorised	SWDP review – next agenda for draft response.

	<p>as a Cat. 1 village. Preferred option sites locally are 15 dwellings at Manor Farm, 20 dwellings on the field behind Powick Village Hall (Old Rd) and 15 dwellings at Wheatfield Court.</p> <p>SWDP review consultation runs until 16t Dec 2019 and all Cllrs are asked to look at the information in time for a response to be drafted after the next meeting.</p> <p>County Cllr Wells summarised the development proposed for South Worcs – 14000 new homes with a focus around railway locations. A public meeting has been arranged for 7th Nov as part of the consultation process.</p> <p>2. Neighbourhood Planning – Cllr Huckfield updated the meeting about training attended and summarised the information received about community involvement, objectives and final reports required. A Steering Group will be required with the correct skills base.</p> <p>Actions –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Preliminary steps Preparation of draft plan Pre-submission to MHDC Screening / strategic assessments Amendments Submission Examination Referendum <p>Funding is available via MHDC and external agencies.</p> <p>CIL funding for the PC would increase from 15% to 25% if the NP is approved.</p> <p>The decision to do a NP must be from the whole community, not just the PC. Opinion must be canvassed before commencing the plan. Newsletter / social media / face to face contact important.</p>	<p>All agreed to move the matter forward and to place an initial article in the next newsletter. Cllr Huckfield to draft asap.</p>
19.57	<p>Parish Matters:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Newsletter – Cllr Richmond updated the meeting regarding the next edition planned. 2. Powick ‘Tommy’ – to be installed 8th Nov. Publicity planned. 3. Remembrance Service – a wreath has been ordered. Cllrs Harris and Jones to attend local services. 4. Southern Link Road – Cllr Lamb updated re current works. Recent flooding has caused delays. 5. Link Nursery asset of community value (ACV) – Cllr Richmond updated regarding the current situation on site. County Cllr Wells has organized a meeting on 7th Nov to discuss the ACV community working party. Cllr Richmond has also drafted some initial documents. <p>Further to discussion it was agreed that the PC work with County Cllr Wells and the community to achieve ACV status.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6. Community SpeedWatch – deferred to next meeting. Clerk to arrange a Speaker. 7. Upton Rd speed survey – deferred as awaiting Highways response. 	<p>Clerk to arrange CSW Speaker.</p>

19.58	<p>Powick Action on Climate Change (PACE): Cllr Underwood updated the meeting on recent actions. A further meeting is planned to bring interim actions together and agree roles formally. MHDC meeting attended has resulted in links to other PCs which will be useful. Jan 2020 – Powick Parish Hall open meeting to be attended at PACE presentation planned. Neighbourhood Plan links to be made in the future. Community engagement work needs focus. Worcester to Malvern cycle route meetings are being attended by Cllr Underwood and the PC was asked to agree support for the scheme together with a financial contribution to help enable any future costs to be met. It was proposed by Cllr Jones that the recently awarded CIL funding be allocated for this, seconded by Cllr Phillips. All agreed.</p>	Clerk to allocate CIL £2k as the cycle route scheme contribution.
19.59	<p>Playing Field Reports: 1. Callow End – there is a working party this Saturday at the pavilion. Currently £9k in funding and ideas being discussed. CCTV options being considered. Hedges around the field have been cut. 2. Hospital Lane project – the Clerk updated on discharge of planning conditions work. A project timescale has been drafted by MHDC Officer. A meeting is to be arranged with Worcs FA to discuss resurrecting the funding application again.</p>	Clerk to arrange Worcs FA meeting.
19.60	<p>District & County Councillor Reports: No report.</p>	
19.61	<p>Councillors Reports & Items for Future Agendas: Cllr Harris – Highways letters have been sent to Bow Hill residents re dropped kerbs. Cllr S. Williams – updated re tree clearance behind Coventry Cottages. Damage concerns raised re tree hedging behind Winsmore to Broadfields Farm. Cllr F. Williams – updated on the Winsmore development taking place and concerns regarding the state of the path from Upton Rd to the A449. An email has been sent to the Fortis Manager regarding the closure of pedestrian access along the bridleway. Also looking into hedge responsibility. Cllr Phillips – Beauchamp Lane flood defences are working well but a 3rd pump may be needed in future to cover the 3 locations. Next agenda for consideration.</p>	Next agenda – flood pump.
19.52	<p>Report of the Clerk: Accounts proposed for payment by Cllr Harris, seconded Cllr Underwood. All agreed. £945.68 Clerks salary £tbc Clerk Broadband / phone expenses / mileage claimed £82.29 Eon – pavilion gas supply £100.80 S.E. Page hedge cutting Callow End playing field £240.00 PKF Littlejohn Accountants – external audit fees</p>	Clerk to pay accounts as agreed.

	<p>£70.00 Worcs CALC planning training £35.26 Waterplus Payments – pavilion supply £600.00 GW Shelter Solutions Ltd – bus shelter repairs £332.40 Smith of Derby parish clock service St Peter’s Church £15.00 Callow End Village Hall hire fees £25.00 RBL Remembrance Wreath</p> <p>Money received: £2243.40 MHDC CIL funding Apr – Sept 2019 £250.00 AXA Insurance reimbursement – bus shelter repairs</p>	
	<p>There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.55pm</p> <p>Next meeting: Weds 4th December at Callow End Village Hall</p>	

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