POWICK PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held Weds 2nd February 2022 at 7.30pm at Callow End Village Hall

Present: Councillors A. Lamb (Chairman), C. Phillips (V/Chairman), M. Huckfield, J. Foy, J. Allsopp, S. Williams, F. Williams, S. Underwood, D. Jones, R. Humpage. Also present: County Cllr T. Wells.

21.112 Apologies: Councillors R. Willetts, P. Harris, M. Richmond.

21.113 Declaration of Interests and requests for Councillor dispensations in line with s.33 of the Localism Act 2011: None.

ITEM:	MINUTE RECORDED:	ACTION AGREED:
21.114	 The minutes of the PC meeting and report of the Planning Committee meeting held 5th January 2022: The minutes were proposed by Cllr Underwood, seconded Cllr Humpage. All agreed. The Minutes of the extra ordinary PC meeting held 19th January 2022: The minutes were proposed by Cllr Underwood, seconded Cllr Humpage. All agreed. 	
	Democratic Public Time: No public attended.	
21.115	 Lengthsman & Highways / Other Parish Matters: 1. Lengthsman – it was agreed that Cllr Foy would be the contact for Powick matters and that Cllr Underwood would be the contact for Callow End Matters, in liaison with the Clerk. 2. Road closure notices noted as circulated. 3. Street light no. 05 is not working in Colletts Green. Clerk to report. 4.Parish Paths Warden report – Cllr S. Williams updated the meeting regarding path 603 at Hospital Lane playing field / A449 where repairs to the entrance are needed. The gate needs to be removed by WCC Highways due to underground services. It was agreed that Cllr S. Williams check with WCC regarding options for the new gate in line with access requirements and H&S concerns raised. The footpath alongside Mountain View, Bastonford is overgrown and it was agreed that the Clerk report to WCC. 	Clerk / ClIrs Foy & Underwood to liaise re L'man matters. Clerk to report streetlight. ClIr S. Williams to progress path 603. Clerk to report footpath to WCC.
21.116	Financial & Governance Matters: 1. Payments were approved as per the schedule circulated – proposed Cllr S. Williams, seconded Cllr Allsopp. All agreed. It was further agreed not to renew the Survey Monkey subscription until Netwise had been asked if a similar option was available via our own website. Finance Working Group to have delegated authority on payment once information had been received by the Clerk.	Clerk to pay accounts as agreed and check re Survey Monkey with FWG.

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21.117	 Defibrillator maintenance at Village Halls – it was agreed that the Village Halls are best placed and should be asked to take on the future maintenance of the two defib units. Clerk to action. Waste bin request at Tannery Drive – the letter of request was read out by the Clerk. It was proposed by Cllr Foy to contribute £100.00 towards the cost to allow for any future requests that might be received, seconded Cllr Humpage. It was then proposed by Cllr Phillips to fund up to £200.00 towards the cost of a new bin, seconded Cllr Huckfield. Cllr Underwood asked if this decision could set a precedent for future requests or whether requests would be considered on their own merits? It was agreed to consider any future requests on their merits. Following a vote of 2 to 6, it was agreed to fund the cost of a new bin up to £200.00. Clerk to action. Councillor Responsibilities – further to the previous meeting, Cllr Lamb advised the meeting that Cllr Foy would now take responsibility for liaising re Lengthsman matters (Powick), Cllr Underwood would take on additional responsibility for liaising re Lengthsman matters. Queen's Platinum Jubilee – it was agreed that Cllr Underwood would check with MHT re a beacon on Old Hills. 	Clerk to action new waste bin on Tannery Drive. Cllr Lamb to contact Cllr Newman. Cllr Underwood to speak with MHT.
	 a second public meeting is to be held at Callow End Village Hall on 24th Feb at 7.30pm. Flyers are being produced and will be delivered to all households. A mailshot will be sent to those who responded to the survey. Social media also to be used to promote. Cllrs Huckfield and Lamb are to meet with Abberley PC contacts to discuss their NDP experience. Planning Consultants have been approached and a funding application is to be made to Locality. SWDP(R) – Cllr Huckfield updated on the revised timetable following a recent update. Concerns were noted re the 5-year land supply and also re Gypsy & Traveller sites. 	Lamb to progress NDP matters.
21.118	 Parish Matters: 1. Newsletter – articles are coming together for the next edition. The Clerk is to draft financial information as agreed. Cllr Underwood offered to help with images required. All articles to be collated by Cllr Lamb and sent to the Clerk by end Feb. Cllr lamb to confirm distribution mapping for the next delivery to households. 2. Speed Enforcement – Cllr Lamb and County Cllr Wells attended a Powick site meeting with the Traffic Accident Investigator. A report will be presented to WCC Highways by Cllr Wells re A449 areas of priority concern. There are now realistic arguments to look at speed limit reduction along the A449, along with a number of other matters which need addressing. Cllr Wells will liaise with the PC re allocating divisional funding towards some mitigation measures appropriate for the A449. 	All members and the Clerk to progress newsletter actions. Cllrs Huckfield and Lamb to progress speed enforcement matters.

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	There being no further business the meeting closed at 21.35pm	
21.124	Correspondence: None received.	
21.123	Councillor Reports and Items for Future Agendas: Cllr Foy asked for an SLR update re concreting works. Cllr Lamb to check. Cllr Underwood reported that the orchard has now been removed at Mathon House, Jennett Tree Lane. Cllr Jones asked when the Callow End playing field hedge would be cut? Clerk to check with S. Skeys. The garden opposite the playing field remains very untidy and Cllr Underwood agreed to speak with the resident. Cllr Huckfield asked the Clerk to check for the monthly Police report.	Cllr Lamb to check re SLR update. Clerk to action re CEPF hedge. Clerk to check re Policing report.
21.122	County & District Councillor Reports: County Cllr Wells reported on the MHDC Boundaries Commission consultation which is now live on the MHDC website. Powick ward will be affected by new proposals. Next MHDC elections are May 2023 which would see the new wards and Councillor allocations. A brief update was given on current determined and pending planning applications.	
21.121	 Playing Field Updates: 1. Callow End Playing Field Assoc – it was agreed that Cllrs Lamb and Phillips meet with the PFA shortly to discuss future options. 2. Hospital Lane pavilion project – Cllr Phillips reported that good progress is being made. Electrical connections are to be agreed with UK Power asap, but legal advice will be required. The MHDC meeting went well but car park funding matters still need to be resolved. The Clerk is to look at Public Works Loan Board funding options. Next progress meeting early Feb on site. 	Cllrs Lamb and Phillips to arrange to meet with the CEPFA. Cllrs Lamb, Phillips and the Clerk will continue to progress matters as required with the pavilion.
21.120	Parish Council Website: Email accounts have been set up and will be allocated when the site goes live – date agreed as end Feb for a soft launch, with the main launch being via the next newsletter.	All reminded to send profiles and photos to the Clerk asap.
21.119	Powick Action on Climate Emergency: Cllr Underwood reported on the e-bike loan scheme being piloted locally. There will be PACE information on the rear of the NDP flyer to be produced shortly. Residents are to be actively encouraged to take part in PACE activities. The meeting noted that Cllr Huckfield is to stand down from PACE due to the amount of planning / NDP work undertaken. Everyone thanked Cllr Huckfield for work contributed to date.	
	It was noted that the VAS in Deblins Green seems to be set to 20mph instead of 30mph – Clerk to advise the Lengthsman.	Clerk to action VAS.

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