POWICK PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the PARISH COUNCIL held Wednesday 1st March 2017 at Callow End Village Hall commencing at 7.30pm

PRESENT

A. Lamb (Chairman), C. Phillips (V/Chairman), J. Allsopp, J. Price, D. Jones, M. Richmond, J. Foy, R. Willetts, R. Humpage, J. Raymond, J. Allsopp. Also attending – B. Pilcher (prospective Councillor)

APOLOGIES

J. Liptrot, P. Harris, S. Underwood.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

ITEM	MINUTE RECORDED	ACTION BY
89	Minutes of a meeting held 1 st February 2017 were agreed and signed as a true record. Proposed D. Jones, seconded J. Price. All agreed. No matters arising.	
90	The Report of a Planning meeting held 1 st February 2017 was agreed and signed as a true record. Proposed J. Price, seconded D. Jones. All agreed. Matters arising in main agenda.	
91	Co-option of a Parish Councillor – It was proposed by M. Richmond, seconded by J. Foy that Brian Pilcher be co-opted as a Parish Councillor. All agreed. The acceptance of office was duly signed by B. Pilcher who then joined the meeting.	Clerk to notify MHDC.
92	Asset of Community Value – 3 Nuns PH – Further discussion was held regarding the ACV application for the 3 Nuns PH. The Chairman summarised events to date and sensitive conversations held with the Landlord since the last meeting and the position of New River Retail. It was noted that MHDC had confirmed that the ACV can be on all or parts of the asset ground. M. Richmond reminded the Council of the public meeting outcome and of previous PC discussions and decisions made.	Clerk to submit the ACV application asap after this meeting as agreed.

	The meeting was then suspended to allow Mr Nicholls of The Drive, Colletts Green, to address the Council on this matter. The Clerk confirmed from previous Minutes, the actions taken to date and why the application had not yet been submitted. It was agreed that the first priority has always been to retain the community facility. After further discussion, it was proposed by C. Phillips that the ACV application be submitted for the whole site including the building, car park and garden up to and including the entire boundary. Seconded J. Foy. Vote result 8 in favour / 1 against / 1 abstention - vote carried.	
93	 Lengthsman Report – Siding out of Upton Rd pathway now urgent and the PC agreed to progress as quickly as possible. Approx 3 days work and costs likely to be around £1500 for the temp lights needed via Worcs CC. B. Pilcher mentioned that he is the Voluntary Warden for MHC at Old Hills – would like to work with the Lengthsman in the future on joint projects. J. Price – tree down at the Crown Inn, Powick – will speak to the pub Manager. R. Willetts -vegetation around the pedestrian crossing at Powick Garage needs clearing please. 	Clerk to ask Worcs CC for financial contribution towards the temp traffic lights needed for siding out work. Clerk to notify L'man of tasks identified.
94	 Financial & Governance Matters – Statement of accounts as circulated by the Clerk was agreed. Tenders for grass cutting contracts had been received and were opened at the meeting. The Financial Working Group will meet asap to go through them and award the contract(s) as per their delegated authority given previously. Callow End Playing Fields – it was agreed that D. Jones, S. Underwood, J. Raymond would be members, not Trustees. It was noted that CEPFA is now a charity and a new constitution has been approved. Upton Rd siding out work – see previous item re Lengthsman. 	The FWG will meet to agree the grass cutting contracts asap.

95	Playing Field Reports –	
	 Hospital Lane – the recent site visits and costs were reviewed and it was agreed that current designs cannot be built for the funds currently available and the £450K max suggested by the Football Foundation grant scheme. B. Pilcher suggested we look at designs already built, and will look at costs. C. Phillips suggested that a SIPS build would be better value. A car park membrane would also be better value surfacing than tarmac. An oblong design, rather than curved, would also be simpler and more cost effective. The design still needs to meet FA criteria but can be simplified. Previous designs have been drawn to a different spec – more aesthetically pleasing and a bigger community facility. It was agreed that C. Phillips and the Clerk speak or meet with S. Rea asap to discuss options. Callow End – noted substantial work done to the pavilion by the PFA recently. The 8th July – party in the park event but to be in the pub! Pathway project underway. Mid-Sept open day to be held incl a fun run / 5K run / 1K run around the new path. 	
96	Newsletter & Social Media – Next newsletter to be in May. Articles almost done – 10 th March deadline. New annual timetable done by J. Price. Councillor profiles agreed as S. Underwood and R. Willetts for next edition with space. Feedback needed re Berrows delivery. Facebook articles to the Clerk please – ongoing.	Working Group to draft newsletter for approval at next meeting.
97	District & County Councillor Reports – T. Wells has sent an apology for the fact that he is often unable to attend meetings due to MHDC Area Planning the same evening. It was noted that the Clerk had requested emailed reports for future meetings which can be circulated to Councillors.	TW has been asked by the Clerk to send emailed reports to future meetings.
98	Planning Matters – noted - 16/00273/REM – Land off Hospital Lane – application for 61 dwellings – Reserved Matters application (amended plans) to be heard at MHDC Area Planning Committee on 01/03/2017	

	16/00737/FUL – Land at Winsmore – refusal for 49 affordable dwellings. 17/00097/CLE – 22 Upper Ferry Lane – certificate of lawfulness granted. 17/00038/TEL – telecoms mast, Powick roundabout – Officer recommendation for approval.	
99	Councillor Reports & Items for Future Agendas – J. Foy – 44 Upton Rd enforcement action – update needed as still being used as a driveway.	Clerk to request white lines for Byrons Wood – Worcs Hub.
	 Ridgeway Farm – signage enforcement – update needed as still in place. A. Lamb – noted the grass verge parking again at a recent funeral – no PPC action taken to deter parking 	Clerk to contact Police re Beauchamp Lane parking concerns.
	despite our request to do so. Will speak to the PCC again and re the churchyard maintenance as agreed.J. Price – white lines needed at the junctions of	
	Hamilton Close, King Charles Ave, Cromwell Ave and at the traffic lights – Clerk to request via Worcs Hub.	
	J. Allsopp - Sparrowhall Lane development – apologies if cannot attend Area Planning in April & May.	
	J. Foy & R. Willetts – no further info re Twaite Shad fish or from the Env. Agency but will inform the PC if that changes.	
	 M. Richmond – visited Link Nurseries and spoke to site Manager re future PC support. Noted Sparrowhall Lane development amendments online – discussion held re potential impacts. Clerk updated re BT phone kiosks although no recent action since PC interest registered. 	
	J. Raymond – raised concern again re parking at junction of Beauchamp Lane and Upton Rd and the dangers to drivers and pedestrians. Clerk to speak with Police Sgt Alex Denny re our options and ask him to contact J. Raymond to discuss. Land at Old Pump House up for sale again.	
	R. Humpage – thanks to the Lengthsman re Bastonford work done recently.	
	J. Allsopp – Powyke Court Close – adjacent 45 acre field – RSPCA called to the site re horse neglect recently.	

	 J. Foy – relocation of the church gates to Powick Church noted although ownership unknown? Driveway is owned by T. Hawkins. Public access still needed if locked or relocated. B. Pilcher – thanks to the PC for co-option tonight – looking forward to getting to know Members. 	
100	Report of the Clerk – Noted re Malvern Hills Conservators – consultation on the future governance of MHC.Accounts for payment proposed by J. Allsopp, seconded by J. Price. All agreed. £576.28 Clerks salary (net) £390.00 Lengthsman fees £21.34 Newsquest – newsletter deliveriesAnnual Parish Meeting – date to be agreed with Chairman asap.	Annual Parish Meeting – date to be agreed with Chairman asap. Accounts to be paid as agreed.
	There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.45pm	