

MAMBLE PARISH COUNCIL

Draft Minutes of a Meeting held in Mamble Village Hall on Thursday 21st October 2021 at 7.00pm.

Present: Cllrs: Mr C Bunn (Chairman), Mrs J Rogers, Mrs S Rawlins, Mr S Finney and Mr P Bytheway.

In Attendance: Mrs A Watson (Clerk), County Councillor Mr D Chambers and District Councillor Mr D Godwin.

1. Apologies: WPCSO V Snape sent her apologies and hopes to attend the next parish council meeting.

2. Declarations of Interest:

2.1 Dispensation has been granted to Cllr. Bunn at each meeting for a Declaration of Pecuniary Interest, to enable participation in all discussions relating to the 'Lengthsman'.

2.2 Cllr. Bytheway submitted his Register of Members' Disclosable Pecuniary Interests to MHDC Monitoring Officer and has given a copy to the Clerk.

3. Suspension of the meeting for the Democratic 15 mins/Public Question Time: No public present.

4. Minutes: The minutes of the Meeting held on the 23/09/21 were approved and signed by The Chairman.

5. Progress reports:

5.1 Overgrown Hedges & footpaths. The Chairman reported on progress with hedge cutting in the village at the Chimneys and Bury Cottage.

5.2 Road signs and notification of the new Lengthsman Scheme manager. The Chairman raised the request for the 'Mamble' signs for the white gates once again and County Cllr. Chambers confirmed, Hannah Davies, the Highways Liaison Officer has now also taken on the role of Lengthsman Scheme Manager.

5.3 Litter in Bayton Lane and Trade Waste Bin in lay-by. The Clerk has informed WPCSO Snape of dumped cans in Bayton Lane and the Chairman is to query the delivery installation date of the trade waste bin with the Administration & Amenities Manager at MHDC.

5.4 Litter picking cart. Cllr. Rawlins requested Hi Viz waistcoats, gloves, grabbers and bin bags. District Cllr. Godwin advised the Clerk should be able to request these from MHDC free of charge.

6. Councillors' and District Councillor reports:

6.1 County Councillor Chambers kindly attended the meeting and presented his report, a copy of which is appended to these minutes. The Chairman thanked Cllr. Chambers who left the meeting at 7.40pm.

6.2 District Cllr. Godwin gave a brief update and gave advice on drainage queries, raised by the Chairman, who will look to have a meeting with the Drainage Officer, Mr J Adams, and Section 106 funding.

7. Correspondence Received and Items for discussion:

7.1 Correspondence from Mr C Houston, agent for the owners of the land in Mamble, regarding the last meeting was noted. The Clerk has sent Mr Houston a copy of the draft minutes.

7.2 Malvern Hills District Council Assets of Community Value Nomination Form. This was briefly discussed and comments from MHDC were duly noted, regarding the feasibility of the land in Mamble being nominated.

7.3 Parish Council Communication - complaint received from parishioner. Councillors briefly discussed the complaint and were satisfied with the Clerk's response to the parishioner.

7.4 Malvern Hills District Council Invitation to Forum 'Tackling the Climate Emergency' 15th November 5pm.

7.5 Worcestershire CALC training and notice of AGM 16th November 6.30pm.

7.6 Worcestershire County Council 'Here to Help' Notice – displayed.

8. Finance:

8.1 HSBC Bank Statements:

26.09.2021 Business Account £5069.25

30.09.2021 Current Account £6341.68

8.2 Receipts:

8.2.1 Worcestershire County Council Lengthsman Payment 06.10.21 £203.00

8.2.2 Worcestershire County Council Parish Paths P3 Scheme 08.10.21 £441.00

8.3 Payments - The following payments made since the last meeting, were ratified:

8.3.1 Mr C Bunn (Lengthsman Payment September 2021) £203.00

8.3.2 Mr C Bunn (Parish Paths P3 Scheme work) £226.80

8.3.3 Information Commissioner (Data Protection Fee Renewal) £40.00

8.3.4 Mrs A Watson (Clerk Salary & Expenses inc £95 SLCC Renewal) £375.00

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9. Malvern Hills District Council Planning Notification:

21/01013/OUT Foxley Farm, Mamble. DY14 9JA. Proposal: Rural Workers Dwelling. **Approved.**

10. Clerk's reports and items for future agenda.

10.1 Councillors discussed the idea of the installation of a new bench. The Chairman will look at replacements and prices as one has recently been installed in Bayton parish

11. Date of next meeting:

Thursday 2nd December 2021 in Mamble Village Hall.

The first meeting of 2022 will be held on Thursday 6th January.

Signed.....
Chairman

Date.....

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APPENDICIES

Item 6.1: Worcestershire County Council Report

1. Latest Covid Figures as at 20th October are:

- a. Worcestershire is showing an infection rate of 513 cases per 100,000.
- b. The infection rate in the Malvern Hills District is 334 cases per 100,000.
- c. The direction of travel is up in all districts in Worcestershire.
- d. Malvern Hills has the lowest infection rate in Worcestershire with Wyre Forest District the highest rate at 629 per 100,000.
- e. The rate of infection in England as a whole is 436 cases per 100,000.

2. Road “Surface Dressing” continues to take place across the County.

3. As schools have now returned following the summer holidays and the post Covid lock-downs, I intend to raise the question of “school nurses” with the Children & Families Overview & Scrutiny Panel of which I am a member. I understand that not all schools have the services of a school nurse and with the consequences of Covid, involving mental health and other issues, which young people may wish to receive advice in a safe and secure environment; I will be asking if this service can once again be available in all schools.

4. More children, often as young as seven, are carers to family members. It is the responsibility of schools to support these young carers whilst at school and I understand this is not always the case. As in 3 above, I shall be raising this issue at the Children & Families Overview & Scrutiny Panel.

David Chambers
County Councillor, Tenbury Division