

Little Malvern & Welland Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 16th November 2020

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Due to the Covid 19 restrictions this meeting was held online.

Present

Cllrs. Mrs V Nelson (Chair), Mr M Davies, Dr A Davis, Mr P Hancock, Mrs D Jammal, Dr J Mortimer, Mrs M Sumner, Mr M Whaley, Mr J Whitehouse.

In Attendance

County Cllr. Mr T Wells, Natalie McVey and Sarah Gittings (Community Facilitators), Mr D Sharp (Clerk) and 10 members of the public.

Before the meeting a resident of Welland who is employed by ZX Lidars gave details of planning application 20/01564/FUL.

138/20 Apologies

To consider acceptance of apologies for absence from Councillors: Cllrs. Miss J Biggs and Mrs M Purser (accepted).

139/20 Interests

i. Councillors Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and Other Disclosable Interests 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.

140/20 Planning

To consider responses to the following any late submitted applications:

Application No	From	Details
20/01564/FUL	Willow End Park Blackmore Park Road	New headquarters for ZX Lidars, including 4,985 sq.m (4,775 sq.m GIA) research and development and production facility, associated landscaping to blend in with surrounding area and associated car parking.
20/01604/FUL	Malt House Farm Welland Court Lane	Roof to cover existing silage clamp
20/01708/PIP	Beauchief Marlbank Road	Permission in Principle for the construction of up to 4 no. dwellings.

Cllr. Davies abstained from voting due to his position as District Councillor.

The following responses were agreed:

20/01564/FUL - "The Parish Council has no objection to the application."

20/01604/FUL - "The Parish Council has no objection to the application."

20/01708/PIP - The Parish Council was unable to agree and no comment was to be submitted.

141/20 Minutes

To consider for adoption the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 19th October: These were accepted as an accurate record and they were signed by the Chairman.

142/20 Progress reports and other matters arising from these minutes

There were none.

143/20 Reports by District and County Councillors and other Representatives

County Cllr. Tom Wells had previously circulated his ward report but added that he expected improvements to the access roads on the new Drake Street developments were due mid February, following discussions between WCC Highways and the developers.

He also reported that a revised formula to fund County Councils from Central Government had been delayed due to Covid 19.

District Cllr. Mick Davies reported that the refurbishment of the Spash leisure complex was well underway and due for completion in December. The Boundary Commission review was underway for District Councils and there would soon be opportunity for comment. The SWDP review was delayed until next spring. A response to central governments planning proposals had been submitted. He gave an overview of the District Council's current Covid 19 response and finally urged local groups to apply for his annual ward budget.

144/20 Committee, Working Party & Other Representative Reports & Recommendations

i. Neighbourhood Planning Working Group: A meeting had been held with David Clarke and another was planned within the next few weeks. It was hoped there would be a more comprehensive report next month.

ii. Communications Working Group: A newsletter was due for delivery later this week.

iii. Playing Fields/Open Spaces Working Group:

a. Update on outdoor Gym project: The three quotations had been received and the group was to make its recommendation next month.

b. To consider schemes for inclusion in an S106 'masterplan': A draft proposal had been circulated previously which was approved for submission to MHDC.

iv. Orchard Working Group: Cllr. Whaley reviewed the current work in progress and confirmed that it was hoped the group would soon apply for independent charitable status and be in position to obtain a lease on the orchard by next spring.

v. Highways Working Group:

The footway between Spring Meadow Close and the Church was in a poor state of repair and County Cllr. Wells hoped to include its renovation in the 2021/22 WCC budget.

It was noted that dropped curbs and an island refuge were being to form a crossing point between the Church and Pheasant Inn.

It was agreed that some strimming of footpath 518B be undertaken, and options to improve the surface be investigated.

145/20 The Pheasant Inn

i. To consider for approval the initial application to CALC for a PWLB loan: The details of the application included a business plan, cash flow, and red book evaluation. These had been circulated earlier and were approved for an initial submission to Christopher Wayman, CALC Executive Officer.

ii. To consider the value of PWLB loan and borrowing term: At the Little Malvern & Welland Parish Council meeting of 19th November, it was RESOLVED to seek the approval of the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities & Local Government to apply for a PWLB loan of £225,000 over the borrowing term of 30 years for the purchase of the Pheasant Inn site. The annual loan repayment will come to around £11,000.

146/20 Community Development Facilitator

Natalie McVey and Sarah Gittings gave an overview of current progress which had obviously been hampered by the lockdown which started in early November was due to end in early December. Some questionnaires had been delivered and returned before lockdown but currently liaison with residents was restricted to telephone and social media.

147/20 Parish Council Promotions

The Becky Mills concert had been a great success and the next event was to be held on 5th December in the village hall.

It was hoped that events would be held in the church from January.

It was agreed to fund a light show leading up to Christmas using the church as a backdrop.

148/20 Correspondence

To consider responses to the following correspondence previously circulated:

FROM	* email	SUBJECT
CALC	*	Updates
NALC	*	Chief Executive's Bulletin
WCC	*	Worcestershire Roadworks Report
Misc	*	CORONAVIRUS — Information for Parish & Town Councils
WCC	*	Worcestershire Community Rail Partnership On-line Event 06/11
WCC	*	Remembrance Guidance for Parish/Town Councils
NALC	*	Rebuilding Communities
SWDP	*	Update to the SWDP Review Timetable, New SWDP Website and Neighbourhood Planning
County Cllr. Tom Wells	*	November Report
MHDC	*	Boundary Commission briefing for P&TCs on 19th Nov
MHDC	*	Councillor Training - Urban Design (intermediate) 6pm on Wed 9/12

149/20 Finance**To consider payment of invoices presented:**

The following payment was made between meetings from the **Funding Account** and was ratified:

From/Due To	Date	Amount	Details
Becky Mills	24/10	£185.00	Performance Fee
TOTAL		£185.00	

The following payments were made between meetings from the **Main Account** and were ratified:

From/Due To	Date	Amount	Details
Natalie McVey	-	£436.80	Community Facilitator (28 hrs. Oct)
Sarah Gittings	-	£468.00	Community Facilitator (30 hrs. Oct)
Vocal Star Ltd.	19/10	£179.98	Lighting
TOTAL		£1,084.78	

The following payment were approval from the **Funding Account**:

From/Due To	Date	Amount	Details
Welland Village Hall	24/10	£66.00	Hire Charge
TOTAL		£66.00	

The following payments were approved from the **Main Account**:

From/Due To	Date	Amount	Details
J Moore	20/10	£118.00	Lengthman Duties (October)
J Moore	20/10	£300.00	Welland Court Cemetery
Specialised Canvas Services Ltd	15/10	£8.34	Union Flag
Lasting Impressions	20/10	£8.84	No Dogs Signs
JRB Enterprises	23/10	£141.00	Dog Bag Dispenser
Broadleaf Tree Care	02/11	£540.00	Grass Cutting
NA Priday	30/10	£648.00	Hedge and Bank Cutting
Colin Hardman	11/11	£292.00	Fence Post Replacement
Royal British Legion	-	£30.00	Poppy Wreath
Sanitirex	16/11	£37.40	Hand Sanitiser
E Hardman	16/11	£136.00	Handyman (£130 Gross + £40 Cemetery)
D Sharp	16/11	£406.20	Clerk's Fee (£507.60 – 40 hrs @ SCP 17)
TOTAL		£2,665.78	

Accounts Summary

Reserves Lloyds B/F	£2,976.47		Main Account B/F	£58,644.68
Interest	£0.03	£2,976.50		
Fête Account	£1,832.36	£1,832.36	MHDC CiL Payment	£7,757.30
Buildings Account	£804.47	£804.47	WCC Lengthman	£472.00
Neighbourhood Plan Ac.	£6,843.65	£6,843.65	Cemetery Fee (Amos)	£140.00
Funding Account	£1,020.33		MHDC Waste Collection	-£59.86
Event Income	£343.50		BT Group	-£10.80
Welland Village Hall	-£66.00		BT Group	-£10.80
Rebecca Mills	-£185.00	£1,112.83	November Payments	-£3,750.56
Total C/F		£12,456.98	Main Account C/F	£63,181.96

150/20 Any other matters for report or for future consideration:

A discussion on how to utilise the CiL payment, received on account of the Cornfield Close development, was to be held next month.

151/20 Date of next meeting

The next Parish Council Meeting was to be held on Monday 21st December 2020 at 7.30pm, venue to be arranged.

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 9.30 pm.