

HODNET PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held in Lyon Hall, Hodnet on Thursday 26th September 2013

Present ; Councillors Mr D Hodge (Chairman), Mr J Powell, Mr J Parker, Mr M Morgan, Mr R Underwood, Mr N Newitt, Mr R Downes, Mr H Trevor ,and Mrs M Rees (Clerk).

Apologies Councillors Mr A Cope, Mr C Mackie, Unitary Councillor Mrs K Calder

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 8th August 2013 Councillor Morgan proposed the minutes be signed as a true record of proceedings seconded by Councillor Trevor all agreed.

32. Hearne Lane – Item 4

The Clerk has now received the names for the liaison group and will set up a meeting with Ian Walshaw.

33. Access to the Wetland – Item 16

Councillor Underwood reported that there had been no further progress in clearing Cow Lane and despite telephone calls and emails to Shropshire Council Outdoor Recreation team there is still no start date. It was agreed that the clerk write to the Manager of the team on behalf of the Parish Council to ascertain the current position.

34. Recreation Ground – Football Nuisance – Item 21

Councillor Hodge reported that leaving the small goalposts up and removing the full sized goalposts has considerably relieved the day to day issues as children are now playing at the other end of field away from Mrs Griffiths' property.

The Parish Council has applied for LJC funding for demountable netting to be used on organised match days.

35. Local Policing update – Item 24

Councillor Powell reported that despite the various measures being undertaken parking at the school remains problematic. He noted that cars were parked on the grass verge and in the bus stop and there appears to be little evidence that the “walking bus” has made any impact. Councillors will continue to monitor the situation and if necessary request assistance from PC Sturland.

36. Flooding at College Houses

The Clerk had been advised that the Agent for the landowner had been requested to undertake cleaning out of the ditches to the field side. Councillor Parker reported that no work has been undertaken and is mindful that with the onset of winter flooding may reoccur. The Clerk was asked to write direct to the Agents and request that remedial work is undertaken as soon as possible.

37. Enforcement Issues

The Parish Council has had cause to write to Shropshire Council Enforcement Office regarding planning infringements at

Cheshire Game Supplies

Travellers Site

Workshop at Station Yard

None of the correspondence has been acknowledged and no action appears to have been taken. Councillor Trevor reported that further issues have arisen at the Travellers Site with 4 caravans and 3 families now on the site, parking in the access lane and the day room being used as sleeping quarters.

The Clerk was asked to write to the Unitary Councillor with responsibility for planning to report these further infringements and request a prompt response to previous correspondence.

38. Parish Council Vacancy

Following the resignation of Councillor Reddish there is a vacancy on The Parish Council. The Notice of Casual Vacancy was advertised but Shropshire Council did not receive any request for an election to be held. Therefore The Parish Council must fill the vacancy as soon as practicable by Co Option. The Vacancy is being advertised on the Parish Website and Noticeboards and also appears on the Shropshire Council Council's Twitter Account.

39. Neighbourhood Planning

Councillor Hodge advised that the proposed developments in Hodnet would generate substantial funds which could be used to improve Hodnet infrastructure. It is important that the people of the Parish have their views known and this might be an opportunity to revisit and refresh the Parish Plan to support any future request for utilisation of funds. This matter will be discussed at the next Parish Council Meeting.

40. Hodnet Working Mens Club Ground Rent Review

The Clerk advised that the monthly payments were being met as agreed. Councillor Powell proposed that the Ground Rent remain the same for a further year – Seconded by Councillor Parker, all agreed. The Clerk will advise Ms Heath accordingly.

41. Standing Orders and Financial Regulations

It was proposed by Councillor Powell and Seconded by Councillor Parker that both these documents be adopted by the Parish Council – all agreed.

42. Payment of Electricity Supply by Direct Debit

It was proposed by Councillor Powell and Seconded by Councillor Morgan that payment of the Electricity Supply for Street Lighting be paid by Direct Debit – all agreed.

43. Planning

Councillor Morgan declared an interest in Ref 13/03452/FUL and took no part in the discussion.

Ref 13/03537/FUL -Erection of single detached garage, formation of driveway and car parking/turning area improvements – Broad Lake Farm, Marchamley, SY4 5LE - **Support**

Ref 13/03355/FUL -Erection of two-storey side extension; internal alterations to existing staircase; altered roof to existing bay window - Linley Farm, Marchamley Wood, Shrewsbury SY4 5LH – **Support with comments.**

Ref 13/03384/VAR - Removal of Condition No.2 attached to planning permission reference 72/1256 in order to remove the agricultural occupancy tie - Beech Cottage, Wollerton, Market Drayton TF9 3NB. Proposed Support by Councillor Morgan, Seconded by Councillor Powell – all agreed- **Support**

Ref 13/03593/FUL -Erection of slurry store - Marchamley Farm, Marchamley Wood, Marchamley Shrewsbury, Shropshire SY4 5LH - **Support**

Ref 13/03452/FUL - Mixed residential development to include creation of vehicular access (from Station Road) and estate roads; pedestrian/cyclists route; creation of public open space; conversion

and extension of outbuildings to garaging for existing properties; to include some demolition of buildings - Land Off Abbots Way, Hodnet, Shropshire TF9 3NQ .

Following an in depth discussion, it was Proposed by Councillor Powell that Parish Council support this application , Seconded by Councillor Newitt – all agreed – **Support with comments and clarification required.**

Determination Planning Applications

Ref 13/03009/TPO - Works to trees including removal of branches of 2no. Beech, fell 1no. Sycamore and 3no. Oak and removal of adventitious growth from 2no. Lime protected by NSDC (The Avenue, Peplow, Hodnet) TPO 1979 -Trees On Both Sides Of The Avenue Peplow Market Drayton Shropshire -
Permission Granted

Ref 13/02960/FUL - Erection of single storey extension – Workshop at Station Yard, Station Road, Hodnet- **Permission Granted**

44. Accounts

Expenses

K & S Plantscapes	1784	£150.00
Mrs M Rees - Salary	1785	£1,125.00
Mrs M Rees - Expenses	1786	£110.35
Mrs F Bennett - Car Park	1787	£100.00

Receipts

Telereal Wayleave	£138.86
COIF	£377.27

Total Balances at Bank as at 26 September £16742.25

Payments of accounts was proposed by Councillor Morgan and seconded by Councillor Newitt all agreed

The Clerk advised that the amount sent by Telereal was incorrect as they have underpaid by £4.84 a letter has been sent for the outstanding sum.

45. Correspondence

Shropshire Housing Alliance – Meeting 14th November 2013

SC – Helicopter Noise Liaison Group

West Mercia Police Commissioner – Annual Parish Survey

R Anwyl – Parking Station Road

Ms Y Brown – Brookside Station Road, Hodnet

- ⌚ Mr Anwyl has advised that parking on the pavement/grass verge in Station Road continues to be a problem. The Clerk was asked to write to PC Sturland with a copy to the Housing Association concerned advising them of the ongoing problem.
- ⌚ Ms Brown has written to the Council requesting information re flooding at Brookside Cottage. Council members could remember remedial works being undertaken to address flooding issues on Shrewsbury Street and in living memory could not recall flooding to Brookside House. The Clerk was asked to advise Ms Brown accordingly.

Any Other Business

Councillor Powell reported that the Ash Trees overhanging at Sandybank had not been cut back. The Clerk was asked to remind Ian Walshaw (Shropshire Council Highways Manager) that this work is required.

Councillor Morgan advised that Mr R West had a considerable amount of old photographs and slides of Hodnet and was seeking assistance to have these digitised. This item to placed on next meeting agenda.

Street Lights requiring attention – H1, H4, H12, H41 and W2, the Clerk will advise HighLine Electrical accordingly.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the Meeting at 9.05pm.

The next Parish Council Meeting is 7th November 2013