

HODNET PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Hodnet Parish Council held at The Lyon Hall, Hodnet
on Thursday 27th October 2016 at 7.30pm

Present: Councillors Mr M Morgan, Mr J Parker, Mrs M Rees, Mr J Powell, Mr A Cope, Mr R Downes, Mr H Trevor, Unitary Councillor Mrs K Calder and also present was Mrs J Evans (Clerk)

1. **Appointment of Vice Chairman** – Cllr Morgan nominated Cllr Rees for this position, Cllr Powell seconded the nomination and all agreed. Cllr Rees chaired the meeting from this point.
2. **Welcome and Apologies** – Apologies were received from Councillors Mr C Mackie, Mr I Willicombe, Mr N Newitt and Mr J Robert
3. **Declaration of Interest** – Cllr Cope declared an interest in the planning application 16/04612/FUL
4. **Public Session** – There were no members of the general public present.
5. **Minutes** - The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 15th September 2016 and the Planning Committee meeting held on 6th October had previously been circulated and Cllr Morgan proposed that the minutes of the meeting on 15th September 2016 were a true and accurate record of proceedings, Cllr Trevor seconded this proposal, all agreed. Cllr Cope proposed that the minutes of the planning meeting on 6th October were a true and accurate record of proceedings, Cllr Powell seconded this proposal, all agreed and both sets of minutes were both duly signed.
6. **Matters Arising from Minutes** - The following information was provided to up-date the Council regarding various on-going issues:
 - a. Mr Goodwin has now completed the work in the Lyon Hall carpark and the driveway of Hodnet Club.
 - b. The road at the Kenstone turning has had some resurfacing work completed on it but The Rock road has not, the Clerk will continue to chase Shropshire Highways about this.
 - c. Cllr Powell had contacted the Clerk to advise that the road up to Marchamley and the Permissive Path have not been sprayed for weeds and the Clerk had spoken to Nobridge Nurseries although this has not yet been completed. Cllr Powell advised the meeting that the Permissive Path also needed strimming. The Clerk will check the original agreement as the Parish Council thought that this was the responsibility of Shropshire Council and if so the Clerk will contact Shropshire Council about this.
 - d. Unfortunately BT has not yet paid the outstanding £13.58 relating to the three year wayleave payment and the Clerk will continue to chase.
 - e. When the Clerk had passed on the Parish Council's comments regarding Shropshire Planning Department's proposed withdrawal of paper copies of planning applications for Parish Councils, she was advised that Hodnet Parish Council may possibly qualify for a grant, under the Transparency Act, for a projector to allow the planning applications to be viewed at the Council Meetings. Cllr Parker advised the meeting that there were no plans to install Wi-Fi at The Lyon Hall due to the cost. After some discussion about this matter, it was agreed that the Clerk would speak to Cllr Mackie about alternatives on his return.
 - f. A reply had been received from Victoria Doren, Highways Manager for Shropshire Council in response to the Parish Council's complaint about the traffic problems when the A41 is closed. In her letter Ms Doren explained that the incident was a diesel spillage which had taken a lot longer to clear than first expected but the alternative route suggested by the Council of diverting traffic up the A53 to A49 would take too many resources and too long to set up. The Parish Council considered her reply but were still of the opinion that a better system should be in place as the incidents at Sandford are becoming more regular.
 - g. The Clerk had reported the flooding problem which occurs at the junction of Station Road and Webster Lane but been advised by Shropshire Council that, although they had replaced the manhole cover, the responsibility to clear the ditch was the land owner. The Parish Council advised the Clerk that this was Hodnet Hall Estate and instructed the Clerk to write to the Estate Office about this.
 - h. Western Power Distribution had confirmed to the Clerk that they would be transferring the street lights in Wollerton from the old poles to the new ones by December 2016.
 - i. The hedge on the Recreation Ground has partly been cut but to complete the job the posts for the net need to be removed and Cllr Morgan would liaise with Mr Hockenhull regarding this matter.

- j. Prior to the meeting the Clerk had emailed a set of the up to date financial information to each Councillor and two possibilities for the way in which the budget information can be reported. Cllr Cope proposed that the second budget spreadsheet be adopted, Cllr Rees seconded this proposal and all agreed.
- k. The re-positioning of the bin for dog poo bags was discussed and Cllr Parker proposed at the bottom of the church steps from the Lynch Gate in between the wall and a rubbish bin, this proposal was seconded by Cllr Howard and all agreed. The Clerk will contact Mr Wellings about doing this work.
- l. Following further complaints from a resident of Wollerton Cllr Morgan proposed buying another sign asking owners to clear up after their dogs, Cllr Rees seconded this proposal and all agreed. The Clerk will contact Mr Wellings about putting this sign up by Wollerton Village Hall.

7. Unitary Councillors Report – Cllr Calder advised the meeting that Shropshire Council, like all Unitary Councils, was waiting for the Autumn Budget to see how this would affect their plans for the coming year. Cllr Calder went on to advise the Parish Council of various matters relating to Business Rates, Devolution of Services and the Shropshire Hospitals situation; the Councillors thanked her for the update.

8. Planning - To consider the following planning applications:

16/04612/FUL - Conversion of existing coach house to dwelling to include small extension – Abbots Way, Hodnet, Shropshire TF9 3NQ – This application was discussed, Cllr Powell proposed that the Parish Council support the application but include the wording ‘although it would point out that this property is immediately adjacent to the Lyon Hall (Village Hall) which holds an entertainment license until midnight and also there is a right of way adjacent to the property which would need to be preserved’, Cllr Parker seconded this and all agreed, although Cllr Cope did not take part in the discussion or vote having declared an interest.

16/04110/FUL - Erection of extensions and alterations to existing dwelling with associated internal and external alterations including amendments to driveway and parking area - The Huntlands, 3A School Lane, Marchamley, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY4 5LD – This application was discussed, Cllr Powell proposed that the Parish Council support the application but include the wording ‘if the colour of the render is similar to existing properties in this area’, Cllr Parker seconded this and all agreed.

16/04572/LBC - Formation of opening between Nos 19 & 20; formation of accessible shower in existing kitchen of No 20 and removal of wc from scullery in No 20; and extension of No 19 kitchen; some making good of plaster and decoration affecting a Grade II Listed Building - 19/20 Drayton Road, Hodnet, TF9 3NH – This application was discussed and Cllr Morgan proposed that the Parish Council support it, Cllr Cope seconded the proposal and all agreed.

Determination of Planning

16/03772/FUL - Erection of single storey rear extension and two storey side extension - 34 The Grove, Hodnet, Shropshire TF9 3NU – Permission Granted

16/02990/FUL - Erection of a single dwelling with attached garage to replace existing agricultural building - Land at Varda Farm, Marchamley Wood, Marchamley, Shropshire – Permission Refused

16/03951/REM - Approval of reserved matters (access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale) pursuant to 14/05144/OUT for the erection of one dwelling - Land Adjacent to Laburnum Villa, Wollerton, Shropshire – Permission Granted

16/04069/FUL - Erection of general purpose agricultural building to include livestock housing - Wollerton Grange Farm, Wood Lane, Wollerton, Market Drayton, Shropshire, TF9 3NY – Permission Granted

Planning Appeals

15/05053/OUT – Outline application for the erection of four dwellings with associated hard and soft landscaping and creation of new access (all matters reserved) – Land adjacent to The Old Barn, Wollerton, Market Drayton, Shropshire - The Parish Council discussed this appeal and confirmed that their stance had not changed and so they would not need to make any new representation.

Planning Enforcement

16/05085/ENF – Large section of stone being removed – School Lane, Wollerton, Market Drayton, Shropshire – Cllr Powell advised the meeting that he understood that the wall had been unsafe and leaning over the road and so it was being taken down and rebuilt safely at a lower level.

11/05197/FUL – Cllr Trevor asked that the Enforcement Officer be advised that a further caravan has been moved to this site which is in breach of the terms of the planning permission. The Clerk will liaise with the Enforcement Officer about both these matters.

9. Accounts

Expenditure

Payee	Details	Chq/DD	Amount	Authority
K G Landscaping	Drainage and Driveway Work	1979	£1,656.00	LGA 1892 s 8
E-on	Electricity for Street Lighting	DD	£307.66	PCA 1957 ss 3 (1)
UK Safety Store	Dog Signs for Wollerton	1980	£23.24	LGA 1972 s 137
Jane Evans	Monthly Salary	SO	£433.33	LGA 1972 s 112

These expenses were proposed by Cllr Powell, seconded by Cllr Morgan and the cheques were duly signed.

Bank Reconciliation – The Bank Reconciliation at the end of the previous month:

Balance brought forward at beginning of year	£ 43,884.04
Add Receipts for year to date	£ 21,525.03
Less Payments for year to date	£ 15,956.29
Balance to be carried forward	£ 49,452.78

Bank Balances as at 30th September 2016:

Current Account	£ 100.00
Reserve Account	£ 8,149.40
C I L Reserve Account	£ 42,388.38
Adjustment required for unrepresented chqs	£ 1,185.00
Total of Reconciled Bank Balances	£ 49,425.78

10. Highways and Environmental Health - The Council discussed complaints that Cllrs had received regarding the state of Shrewsbury Street and Hearne Lane during the potato lifting period. The Clerk was instructed to include this point in the letter to be written to Hodnet Hall Estate along with a request for the hedge on the left hand side of the road into Hodnet from the A53 roundabout be cut as the 30 mile per hour speed limit sign could not be seen. The Council also instructed the Clerk to contact Shropshire Highways regarding the banks of the road to Kenstone from the A53 which have now covered the drainage work that was done two years ago and need to be cut back for the drains to be reinstated.

11. Street Lighting - Maintenance and / or Repairs – The Clerk advised the meeting that before the next Parish Council meeting she would be undertaking the annual review of street lights and Cllr Parker pointed out that H15 needed to be repaired along with any other repairs required from the review.

12. Correspondence: The below correspondence was discussed:

- a. S A L C – Shropshire Community Health NHS Trust – Care Quality Commission Report
- b. S A L C – Healthwatch Shropshire Annual Event – Thursday 3rd Nov 2016, Guildhall, Shrewsbury
- c. Market Drayton Town Council Neighbourhood Plan – already emailed out to all Councillors – Councillors to consider whether the Parish Council will send in a formal response
- d. Russell Taylor of behalf of Hodnet Cricket Club – Grant request – emailed to Councillors
- e. S A L C – Letter from Shropshire Playing Fields Association
- f. Mary Hardy of Compassionate Communities – Grant request – emailed to Councillors
- g. S A L C – Transparency Grant available re lap top, printer etc for smaller Parish Councils

The Clerk explained that the Parish Council had the chance to formally comment regarding the Market Drayton Neighbourhood Plan, which was a land usage tool essentially, for the area in and around Market Drayton which, if eventually ratified at Shropshire Council level, would only relate to planning matters in that area. The Council decided not to make a formal response.

Cllr Powell proposed that the Compassionate Communities group be granted £100, this was seconded by Cllr Parker and all agreed.

With regard to the request from Hodnet Cricket Club the Council discussed the process of application for larger grants, to come from the £42,000 held, and it was decided that although the draft application form and guidance notes issued at the last meeting were a good starting point they needed to be modified to better suit this Council and to include the Priorities for the Parish which came from the Parish Plan. Cllr Rees suggested that she and the Clerk would re-draft them before the next meeting.

13. Any Other Business

a. Parish Matters: The Clerk advised the Council that the meeting 14th September 2017 would be at Wollerton United Reform Church School Room. The Clerk also asked the Council to consider whether they would like to adopt the Phone Box in Wollerton as BT had contacted Shropshire Council with a list of Phone Boxes in the County which it was looking to decommission. The Council considered the matter and all agreed that they would not wish to adopt this phone box.

b. Agenda Items for Next Meeting to be held on Thursday 8th December 2016 – The Budget and Precept are due to be discussed at this meeting along with normal business.

There being no other business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 9.05 pm

Approval of the Minutes held on 27th October 2016

Minutes accepted and approved by Hodnet Parish Council at a meeting held on 8th December 2016

Signed by the Chairman