

HODNET PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Parish Council meeting held in the Lyon Hall, Hodnet on Thursday 31st March 2016 at 7.30pm

Present: Councillors Mr D Hodge (Chairman), Mr C Mackie, Mr A Cope, Mr M Morgan, Mr J H Powell, Mr J Parker, Mr R Downes and Mrs J Evans (Clerk)

Apologies: Councillors Mr J Roberts, Mr N Newitt, Mr H Trevor, Mr I Willicombe and Unitary Councillor Mrs K Calder

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 25th February 2016

Prior to the meeting all Councillors had received draft copy minutes and Councillor Morgan proposed that these be signed as a true copy of the proceedings, this motion was seconded by Councillor Mackie, all agreed.

Matters Arising

121. Compassionate Communities – Item 95

Councillor Hodge advised the meeting that the public meeting to promote both the Compassionate Communities initiative and the North Salop Wheelers service had been held on Friday 11th March and, as he had been unable to attend due to family illness, Councillor Morgan had chaired the meeting. Although only 23 people attended the event 5 people had volunteered to be potential drivers for the North Salop Wheelers and 7 people had volunteered to participate in the Compassionate Communities initiative so it had been very worthwhile.

122. Lease of Land to Hodnet Sports Association – Item 4

The Clerk advised the meeting that Wendy France had advised her that although the F A would cover the Public Liability aspect of the insurance cover for the shower block unfortunately she had still been unable to find an insurance policy for less than £350 and the Hodnet Sports Association could not afford this. The Councillors discussed this matter and it was suggested that the Clerk contact Ms France to suggest that she approach Hodnet Club to see if it was possible to add the shower block to their policy as this may be a cheaper option. The Clerk will continue to liaise with Wendy France to conclude this matter.

123. Marchamley Road Closures – 53

Councillor Powell advised the meeting that the satisfaction surveys had not yet been received but as the further roadworks had now been completed it was decided to leave this matter until the next meeting.

124. Parish Plan – 103

Councillor Hodge advised the meeting that the Parish Plans had now been printed and it had also been put on the Hodnet website. Any resident could obtain a copy of the Parish Plan from the Clerk, sending a stamped, self-addressed envelope and there would also be a display at the Parish Summer Event.

125. Post Office Closure – 108

Councillor Parker suggested that it would be a nice gesture for the Parish Council to write a welcome letter to the new owners of Hodnet Stores, now incorporating the Post Office, as they had made a lot of improvements to the shop and it now looked much brighter and more impressive, all agreed.

126. Blocked drains at Peplow – 108

Councillor Downes advised the meeting that the work relating to the flooding around the Peplow Chapel area had still not been done and the Clerk was instructed to chase this matter again with Shropshire Highways.

127. Wollerton Bowls and Social Club – Application for C I L Money Grant

It was decided, after a short discussion, that as a scheme needed to be devised for C I L Money Grants which considered the both the 'Priorities for the Parish', as highlighted in the Parish Plan, and also how much per year to be granted then it would be necessary to have this as an agenda item at the next Parish Council meeting.

In the meantime Councillor Hodge had replied to Randall Hardy's letter and the Clerk was instructed to reply to Mr Fryer, Treasurer of Hodnet Church P C C, who had raised a similar request – see correspondence below.

128. Hodnet Recreation Ground

Councillor Parker advised the meeting that the work on the Recreation Ground, including removal of the tree root, had now been done.

129. Planning

16/01201/TCA - To fell 8 no. stems of Beech tree within Marchamley Conservation Area - Bay Tree Cottage, School Lane, Marchamley, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY4 5LD – **No Objection**

Determination of Planning

16/00381/VAR - Variation of Condition No. 1 attached to Planning Permission SC/CC2005/0045 dated 12 January 2006, to allow for the retention of the demountable unit for a further temporary period of ten years. The date by which the building is to be removed and the land re-instated to read as 31st January 2026 – Hodnet Primary School, Shrewsbury Street, Hodnet, Shropshire, TF9 3NS – **Permission Granted**

16/00982/TCA - To fell 1 Conifer Tree and trim Leylandi Hedges within Marchamley Conservation Area - The Huntlands 3A School Lane, Marchamley, Shropshire, SY4 5LD – **No Objection**

130. Accounts

Expenses

Leverhulme Hesketh Trust	Wayleave	1936	£2.00
J R Hockenhull & Sons	Hedge cutting at Hodnet Recreation Ground	1937	£50.40
Highline Electrical Ltd	Street Light Maintenance & 2 LED lights	1938	£991.80
Mr J Powell	Permissive Path Annual charge	1939	£400.00
N S Print	Printing Parish Plans	1940	£296.00
Lyon Memorial Fund	Room Hire	1941	£90.00
Mrs Bennett	Lyon Hall car park	1942	£105.00
Mrs J Evans	Clerk Quarterly salary	1943	£900.00
Mrs J Evans	Clerks itemised expenses	1944	£209.86
Lyon Memorial Fund	Hodnet Medical Centre Wayleave	1945	£520.00
	Cancelled	1946	
Mr R Underwood	Hodnet Footpath Group	1947	£14.12
Mr P Wellings	Annual Salary	1948	£652.80
Mr P Wellings	Expenses incurred for year	1949	£120.00
H M Revenue & Customs	P A Y E	1950	£388.20
Highline Electrical Ltd	Street Light Maintenance & 2 LED lights	1951	£318.30
	Total		£5,058.48

Income

C O I F	Dividend - Recreation Ground	£202.95
NatWest Bank	Bank Interest	£1.69
Hodnet Medical Centre	Wayleave	£520.00
	Total	£724.64

These expenses were proposed by Councillor Mackie and seconded by Councillor Cope.

Total Balances at Bank as at 27th March 2016:

Current Account	£100.00
Reserve Account	£ 6,309.75
2nd Reserve Account	£ 42,011.08

131. Grant Applications

Prior to the meeting the Clerk had circulated information to the Councillors regarding the grant applications received this year and the amounts that had been given to the respective groups and charities in the past years. After a short discussion the Parish Council decided to award the following:

Hodnet Church	£1,000
Hodnet Senior Citizens Luncheon Club	£ 100
Maurice Chandler Sports Centre	£ 100
Severn Hospice	£ 100

These grants were proposed by Councillor Mackie, seconded by Councillor Powell and all agreed.

132. The Driveway to Hodnet Club

After a brief discussion it was decided that the Recreation Ground Committee needed to meet at the Club and have a look at the driveway and then report back to the Parish Council at the next meeting. Tuesday 12th April at 7.00pm was agreed and the Clerk was instructed to email all members of the committee to arrange this.

133. Commemorative gifts to Hodnet School children to celebrate The Queen's 90th Birthday

Councillor Hodge showed the meeting a Commemorative Medal which was being produced in respect of The Queen's 90th Birthday celebrations. The cost of each medal was £1.99 but it was unclear from the information how much the postage would be for the 160 required for each of the Hodnet School children to receive one. The Councillors discussed this idea and Councillor Powell pointed out that when the mugs commemorating The Queen's Jubilee were purchased the Parish Council paid for those children who lived in the parish and the school paid for the other children who attended Hodnet School. The clerk was instructed to contact the school and find out if they were thinking of getting the children anything and if not would they be prepared to enter into a similar arrangement as before. Also the Clerk needed to contact the medal suppliers and check the postage costs. Councillor Powell proposed that, as the next Parish Council meeting was only four weeks before the Official Birthday of The Queen, an email vote could be done once the information was received, this proposal was unanimously seconded.

134. Correspondence

The Shropshire Register Office – Changes to opening times (locally - Wem)

Marker Drayton Seniors' Enterprise – Survey results highlights transport needs

Mr C Richards – Request for Dog Fouling Notices in Wollerton

Mr Noel Fryer, Treasurer of Hodnet PCC – Requesting C I L funds to assist with improvement of disabled access and parking at the church

Healthwatch Shropshire – News Release 'Opportunity to give your views on Local Pharmacies'

Shropshire Council Newsroom – News Release 'People encouraged to report child abuse suspicions'

Police County Commissioner Elections 5th May 2016 – Information re candidates

Shropshire Rural Hub Newsletter March 2016

S A L C – Government plans for Community Pharmacy in 2016/17 and beyond – Shropshire Local Pharmaceutical Committee Petition available to 29th June 2016

Shropshire Council – Emergency Planning Unit – Annual Town and Parish briefing date change to 1st June 2016

Shropshire Planning Policy Team - Draft Supplementary Planning Documents (SPD) consultation - Type and Affordability of Housing, Natural Environment and Historic Environment SPDs

S A L C – Heathwatch Shropshire to provide support for health complaints

Shropshire Council Newsroom – Shropshire Great Outdoors website launched

All correspondence was noted with the following points being raised:

- a. The Parish Council agreed to Mr Richard's request to dog fouling signs in Wollerton and the Clerk was instructed to order four signs and arrange for Mr Wellings to put them up.
- b. Councillor Hodge highlighted the Draft Supplementary Planning Documents from the Shropshire Planning Policy Team which gave more details of the environmental and historic interests relating to planning. Councillor Hodge instructed the Clerk to forward this email to all Councillors.

135. June Parish Council meeting venue

Councillor Parker suggested to the meeting that as the Referendum Vote relating to the EU was being held on 23rd June and this voting took place at the Lyon Hall it may be worth changing venue for the June Parish Council meeting as this was the same day. Councillor Morgan confirmed that The School Room at Wollerton United Reform Church was available on that date and it was decided to swap the May meeting, advised as being in Wollerton, to the Lyon Hall and have the June meeting there instead, all agreed. The Clerk will update the Hodnet website.

136. Any Other Business

The Clerk advised the meeting that she had undertaken the annual review of the Parish Council's Community Assets and suggested that Mr Wellings be asked to clear the ivy which was growing inside the Animal Pound at Wollerton, the Dog Pound in Drayton Road, Hodnet and the bus shelter at Marchlemley, this was unanimously agreed. Councillor Parker added that Mr Wellings could also clear the blocked drainage on the Lyon Hall carpark, all agreed. Councillor Parker also advised the meeting that the work undertaken early last year in the Lyon Hall carpark was already failing and the Parish Council instructed the Clerk to speak to Mr McClure, the contractor, about this.

Councillor Powell advised the meeting that the island in the road at Marchamley was getting very messy with cars driving over it and some of the daffodil bulbs, which had been planted by local residents in the past to brighten this area up, had been destroyed. The Clerk was instructed by the Council to contact Shropshire Highways to request that they review their signage in this area.

Councillor Downes advised the meeting that the potholes in The Avenue, Peplow were getting considerably worst and the Clerk was instructed by the Council to report this matter to Shropshire Highways.

Councillor Mackie advised the meeting that the L J C had approx. £9,000 which it would be granting in respect of youth services in the area and the Parish Council instructed the clerk to forward this information on to groups within the Parish which may be interested it.

Councillor Hodge advised the meeting that at the next Annual Parish Council Meeting, 12th May 2016, he would not be standing as Chairman due to continuing pressure at work and he thanked the Parish Council for their support through his years of being the Chairman.

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

The next Parish Council Meeting is 12th May at Lyon Hall, Hodnet