

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WOLVEY ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
HELD IN WOLVEY BAPTIST CHAPEL ON
WEDNESDAY 13 JUNE 2018 at 8.00pm

Present: John Hardman (Chairman), Ruth Buswell, Pete Hopkins, Chris Kenrick, Clare Nixon and Adrian Warwick.

In attendance: Jackie Essex – Clerk

Apologies: Richard Hawcutt and Linda Lakin

1/18 Appointment of Chairman for 2018/19

RESOLVED that John Hardman be appointed Chairman for 2018/19.

2/18 Appointment of Vice-Chairman for 2018/19

RESOLVED that Ruth Buswell be appointed Vice-Chairman for 2018/19.

3/18 Declarations of Interest

Councillor Adrian Warwick declared an interest in any matter by reason of him being a member of Warwickshire County Council.

4/18 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 11 April 2018 were confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

5/18 Financial Monitoring

The latest budget monitoring figures were circulated at the meeting.

Three planters and plants amounting to £103.21 had been purchased by two members of this Committee. Unfortunately, this purchase had not been authorised in accordance with agreed financial procedures as the items had been purchased without the approval of either John Hardman or the Clerk. In addition, John Hardman only had authority to approve expenditure up to the value of £50 between meetings.

RESOLVED that Wolvey Parish Council requested to re-imburse the unauthorised expenditure of £103.21 on this occasion as this committee supported the special reasons for their purchase.

(Chris Kenrick left the meeting during the above item).

6/18 Work Schedule

The work schedule for June/July was circulated. The cutting back of the hedge in The Square would be added to this list. The list of tasks would be

published on the village notice board in future. The hanging baskets and summer bedding were due for delivery on 21 June.

Ted Buswell had made a Wetland sign out of oak, which would be sited at the bottom of Temple Hill. WEC would agree the exact location. The committee thanked Ted for his excellent sign.

7/18 Health and Safety

The works to cut back the hedge along Coventry Road would impact on the two footpaths which ran through The Square. It was, therefore, proposed to place a cone along one stretch of footpath at a time whilst the works were being carried out to divert pedestrians. The Clerk would check this with officers from Warwickshire County Council Highways Department.

8/18 Wetland Tree Survey

The Chairman had been due to meet Russell Colledge earlier that day to discuss the tree survey. Unfortunately, as Russell Colledge had been unable to attend this meeting, it had been re-arranged for Tuesday 19 June.

A representative from the Butterfly Society had suggested that the large willow tree could be felled. Any decision to fell this tree would need to be reported to the parish council for approval.

9/18 Trust Status

The committee agreed that it would be useful to have access to the Wolvey Playing Fields Trust documents.

Advice from WALC suggested that at least one representative from the parish council should be appointed as a trustee on the Wetland Trust. The issue of liability would also need to be investigated.

This committee would look at reporting its findings and recommendations to the parish council within three months.

10/18 Date of next Meeting

Wednesday 8th August 2018 at 8.00pm.

The meeting ended at 9.05pm