

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WOLVEY PARISH COUNCIL
IN WOLVEY BAPTIST CHAPEL
MONDAY 18th MARCH 2013 at 7.45pm

13.46 Present

Cllr Orchard (Chair)
 Cllrs Kuncewicz, Buswell & Nixon

M Cartwright (Clerk)

Apologies

Councillor Slee gave his apologies and provided the Chairman with a letter of resignation from the Council

In attendance

Borough Councillor Pacey-Day, County Councillor Morris-Jones & 8 members of the public.

13.47 Declaration of Interest and dispensations

- (i) Councillor Orchard declared an interest in the item for deciding the budget as he is a member of the Village Hall Committee
- (ii) Councillor Kuncewicz declared an interest in the item to co-opt a new member onto the Council as the applicant is her husband

13.48 Minutes of the meeting held on 18th February, 2013

RESOLVED: The minutes were confirmed and signed by the chair as a true record

Councillor Kuncewicz left the room

13.49 Councillor Vacancy

An application had been received from Mr A Dixon for the councillor vacancy. Council considered this application and a vote was taken by signed ballot.

RESOLVED: Mr Dixon be co-opted as a member of Wolvey Parish Council

Cllr Kuncewicz returned to the room

Cllr Dixon signed the declaration of acceptance of office and acceptance of the Code of Conduct. This was witnessed by the Clerk.

Cllr Dixon took his place as a member of the Parish Council.

13.50 Comment and information from members of the public

None

13.51 Clerk's Report

Meeting arranged with insurance company on March 14th

A wobbly wall has been reported to Western Power distribution for repair

Damaged road sign at 5ways crossroads has been reported

Subsidence of the carriageway of Coalpit Lane has been reported to County Highways

13.52 Police Report had been provided by PCSO Crabtree-Bailie.

This was read and noted by the Council

At the Fosse Community Forum it was agreed to make parking at Wolvey School a police priority for the next three months

13.53 Planning

13.53.1 The Council received an update on previous Planning Applications, as follows:

R13/0238 Land in Lutterworth Road, Wolvey (adjacent to Suncrest) - pending

Amended plans have been received for this application and were considered by the Council

RESOLVED: the Council's original **OBJECTION** stands.

The Council do not consider that the changes made will improve the difficulties of egress onto a busy road. It is most likely that the turning space will instead be used to park a second vehicle.

The objection regarding development in the Greenbelt and problems with sewers remains.

The Council considered the following **NEW** applications:

13.53.2 R13/0037 Makins Fishery

Retention of toilet block in Phase 1 and erection of toilet blocks on phases 2 and 3 of fishery

RESOLVED: No Objections

13.53.3 R12/2199 Arbury House Farm, Withybrook Road

Erection of two storey and single storey extensions

RESOLVED: No Objections

13.54 To consider the following matters relating to Parish Council policy:

13.54.1 A draft Public participation policy had been sent to the Council prior to the meeting **IT WAS RESOLVED:** to adopt the Public Participation policy

13.54.2 A draft Grants policy had been sent to the Council prior to the meeting.

Two minor changes were suggested. Grants made to local organisations and also recipients to update the Parish Council at its meetings.

RESOLVED: to adopt the Grants policy with the two changes

13.55 Finance

13.55.1 The Council considered the budget for 2013-14

13.55.2 The Council received notice of payments made under powers delegated to the Clerk: cheque no. 400046 Ambition (CRB checks): £42

To consider approval of the following payments:

13.55.3 cheque no 100701 M Cartwright (salary, allowances & expenses)- protected under DPA 1998

13.55.4 cheque no 100702 Wolvey PCC (hire of room): £12.50

13.55.5 cheque no 100704 WS Gardens (cleaning bus shelter): £120.00

13.55.6 cheque no 100703 Rugby BC (tree survey): £240.00

13.55.7 cheque no 400047 Rugby BC(youth club services): £270

13.55.8 cheque no 400048 Wolvey PCC (hire of room for youth club): £17.50

13.55.9 cheque no 400049 B Jones (refreshments for youth club): £10.29

13.55.10 cheque no 400050 M Cartwright (petty cash for youth club): £94.99

13.55.11 cheque no 100705 Wolvey Baptist Chapel (hire of room): £8.00

13.55.12 cheque no100706 Post Office Ltd (HMRC for Clerks PAYE): £566.91

13.55.13 cheque no 400051 WCVYS (first aid course for youth club): £25.00

Proposed: Councillor Buswell
 Seconded: Councillor Nixon

RESOLVED: to approve payments.
 Cheques signed and counterfoils and invoices initialled.

13.56 The Council received an update on the formation of a new youth group

The club is progressing well with young people helping to plan and arrange future meetings. The Village Hall is an ideal venue for the club but if the meetings remain on the third Monday of the month, this has implications for future Parish Council meetings.

Storage of equipment also needs to be addressed.

13.57 The Council received a written update on the upgrade of equipment at Wolvey Playing Fields.

Rugby Borough Council has agreed to make a part-payment of £4634 for the grant for outdoor exercise equipment

The remainder of the grant for play equipment will be paid after a post-installation inspection has been carried out. Mr Merchant reported that the WPFT has funds to pay for the installation of the equipment. After the grant has been received there may be a surplus of £2834 to cover the cost of installation.

13.58 The Council considered renewal of the contract for grass cutting for 2013

RESOLVED: Clerk to send the contract to WS Gardens

Clerk to send the contract to Rugby Borough Council

13.59 The Council considered a survey of traffic speed on Church Hill.

This shows that there is a significant problem of vehicles speeding at all times and in both directions.

RESOLVED: Clerk to speak to Warwickshire County Council to pursue more monitoring by Police at this location

13.60 Environment

13.60.1 The Council received a report from the Environment group .

There will be an Open Day at the Wetland on 6th July. Central Warwickshire LEADER has been informed as a follow up of the Sixty years of a Village at Play project

The tree survey has been received. It has not shown any major problems but will be studied and suggested actions taken

Hanging baskets and troughs will be taken to Four Winds Nursery tomorrow for filling

13.60.2 The Council considered the handout for the Wetland. Clerk to investigate the date of opening of the Playing Fields and if a scale can be put onto the map.

RESOLVED: to approve the handout for the Wetland.

250 to be printed and paid for from the Wetland budget

13.60.3 The annual litter pick will take place on 13th April

Wolvey Baptist Chapel has kindly offered the use of the school room free of charge for this event. Clerk to do a risk assessment

13.61 Publications and documents for consideration at meeting:

(i) WALC training- being a good Councillor or Clerk April 27th .

Councillor Dixon to let Clerk know he is able to attend

(ii) Quality Parish Council consultation- this is for individual members to complete before 1st April.

(iii) Neighbourhood Planning funding- **noted**

(iv) Application for funding for CCTV from Rugby BC- **not at this time**

13.62 Publications and documents for circulation to members:

Email (forwarded to members):

WALC newsletter

Review of Quality Parish and Town Council Status Scheme consultation

Journal of Local Planning- issue 10

Play areas and youth facilities- Annual independent inspections

Warwickshire Waste Core Strategy Proposed Modifications Consultation 1st March - 19th April 2013

Examples of use of General Power of Competence

Parish Matters- Spring edition from Came & Co Insurance

Wetland tree survey

Post (enclosed):

LCR journal

Clerks & Councils Direct

Zurich insurance

Heartwood Tree Services

Parish Matters

13.63 Minor matters for discussion and items for next Meeting

(i) Chairman's "At Home" was attended by Councillor Kuncewicz and the Clerk

(ii) Discussion regarding placing an item on the agenda for District Councillors to report to the Council

(iii) Plan for Parish Council to be put onto next agenda

(iv) email received regarding state of footpaths in Pipers End and overgrown foliage in The Row. Clerk to write to the Bulls Head. Pipers End footpaths have been marked up to be slurry sealed soon

13.64 To consider excluding the public and representatives of the press under the Public Bodies (Admission to meetings) Act 1960 during the consideration of the following items of business as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted by nature of: a) Preparation of cases in legal proceedings

RESOLVED: To exclude the public

13.65 The Council considered its response to correspondence from residents

RESOLVED: A draft letter to be written for approval by members.

Councillor Buswell to take the letter to Mr & Mrs Beale.

A notice to be put onto the noticeboard, the website and sent to all the residents who contacted the Council on this matter.

13.66 Date of Next Meeting:

Date of next meeting due to be held on April 15th in Wolvey Baptist Chapel at 7.45pm

13.67 The meeting was closed at 10pm