

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WOLVEY PARISH COUNCIL
IN WOLVEY BOWLING CLUB
MONDAY 20th JANUARY, 2014 at 7.45pm

14.1 Present

Councillor Orchard (Chairman))
 Councillors Dixon, Kuncewicz & Nixon

Apologies

Councillors Buswell, Hardman & Kenrick

In attendance

County Councillor Morris-Jones, Borough Councillor Pacey-Day, PCSO Bailie-Crabtree and 2 members of the public

M Cartwright (Clerk)

14.2 Declaration of Interest and dispensations

None

14.3 Minutes of the meeting held on 16th December, 2013

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

14.4 Comment and information from members of the public

- (i) Van broken into on Leicester Road last Wednesday and fence panels removed at Galliford Try on Thursday. This has been reported to the Police
- (ii) Rugby BC are providing poppy seeds to Parish Councils- Clerk to apply
- (iii) Streetlight no 9 at Axe & Compass roundabout is not working

a) County Councillor Morris-Jones: The challenge for the County Council is setting the budget with no overall control. They will need to decide whether to increase the Council tax or to cut services.

A Boundary change is due this year.

Community Resilience Workshop to be held later this week.

Grants have been awarded for the County Councillor's grant

Highways budget – work at Temple Hill crossroads is included on the list, but no decision has yet been made.

b) Borough Councillor Pacey- Day: There will be no increase in Council tax from Rugby Borough Council

14.5 To receive Clerk's Report

Newsletter delivery person has resigned

Subscription to Navigus Planning completed

14.5.1 PCSO Bailie-Crabtree provided the Police Report – **noted**

Over the Christmas period Emergency vehicles were mis-directed down Wolds Lane. PCSO to bring this to the attention of the Police.

14.6 Planning

14.6.1 The Council received an **update** on previous Planning Applications:

- (i) Planning Inspectorate Appeal (Grove Farm hedgerow) Ref: APP/HGW/13/370- **pending**

(ii) APP 2192798 Planning Appeal for land at Gypsy Lane- **pending**

(iii) Land at Grove Farm, Wolds Lane, Wolvey, LE10 3LL- **approved with conditions**
Borough Councillor Pacey-Day said that the Planning Committee had taken the Parish Council comments into consideration before reaching its decision.

(iv) New build adjacent to Beda House, Wolds Lane- no change. Clerk to contact planning enforcement again.

14.6.2 The Council considered the following NEW applications:

(i) R13/2328 COTTAGE FARM, COVENTRY ROAD, WOLVEY, LE10 3HF
Installation of 542 ground mounted Solar panels

RESOLVED: No objections

14.6.3 To Council received the response from Rugby planning to questions sent regarding development in the greenbelt and environmental impact of developments.

IT WAS AGREED: To discuss at the next meeting

14.7 Finance

The Council considered financial matters relating to the Parish Council, including:

a) RESOLVED: the final precept for 2014-15 to be £35,000

b) RESOLVED: To approve the three-quarter year financial statements and bank reconciliation:

c) Payments made under powers delegated to the Clerk: were received and noted:

(i) cheque no 300051 Warwickshire Training Partnership (briefing day): £100

(ii) cheque no 300052 Rugby Borough Council (youth club taster session): £20.00

(iii) cheque no 300053 Navigus Planning (planning journal): £50.00

d) The Council considered payment of the following cheques:

14.1 cheque no 300054 M Cartwright (salary, allowances & expenses): protected under DPA 1998

14.2 cheque no 300055 Eon (electricity supply): £751.06

14.3 cheque no 300056 Wolvey Village Hall Foundation (room hire): £28.00

14.4 cheque no 400093 Wolvey Village Hall Foundation (youth club room hire): £33.00

14.5 cheque no 400094 WCVYS (youth club first aid courses): £75

14.6 cheque no 300057 CPRE (annual membership): £36.00

14.7 cheque no 300058 Warwickshire Wildlife Trust (annual membership): £60.00

14.8 cheque no 300059 SLCC (annual subscription): £118.20

14.9 cheque no 300060 Wolvey Baptist Chapel (room hire): £8.00

14.10 cheque no 400095 THSYCCA (DJ for youth club): £70.00

Proposed: Councillor Nixon

Second: Councillor Kuncewicz

RESOLVED: to approve payments

Cheques signed and stubs and invoices initialled

14.8 Streetlights

8.1 The Council received a report on the condition of concrete columns.

8.2 The Council considered the replacement of some columns and upgrade of lanterns to LED

Following discussion,

IT WAS RESOLVED to order steel columns to replace concrete columns for the following streetlights:

LP5 The Square;

LP2 School Lane

LP2 Bulkington Road

LP3 Bulkington Road

LP2 Mill Lane

LP3 Coventry Road

LP5 Coventry Road

LP2 Leicester Road

RESOLVED: Clerk to request LED lanterns for the new steel columns

Clerk to request information about “black lights” which do not illuminate the night sky

8.2 The Council considered other streetlight matters:

(i) Trees are obstructing lights LP 2 Brookfield Drive and LP 8 Bulkington Road, Wolvey. Clerk to contact Warwickshire County Council to find out what can be done about this.

(ii) LP4 Leicester Road- the lantern is an obsolete type and there is also difficulty with the electrical connection so a new column and supply would be required which will be expensive. This area is well illuminated by lights from Galliford Try.

A quote will be obtained and a replacement may be considered during the next financial year.

(iii) New charges for the maintenance of streetlights for 2014-15 received from Warwickshire County Council

RESOLVED: to approve the maintenance contract with Warwickshire County Council for 2014-15

14.9 The Council considered sending comments regarding the proposed Local Council’s Charter

Following discussion, IT WAS AGREED to comment that the Council would prefer Example 2, similar to the one for Solihull Council.

The Council would also ask if the Charter can take into account communication across County borders so consideration to matters affecting communities located near to the County border.

14.10 The Council considered a review of the grass cutting contract .

WS Gardens has indicated that there will again be no increase in charges for grass cutting in 2014

The Council is very happy with the service provided by WS Gardens

However, the Council agreed to seek additional tenders for the contract

Clerk to seek quotes from other companies. To be discussed at the next meeting.

14.11 The Council considered matters relating to the newsletter

(i) Newsletter policy review:

Following continued difficulties with delivery to the army camp at Bramcote IT WAS AGREED to remove the requirement to send newsletters to Bramcote barracks. Clerk to send the newsletter by email if a contact can be found.

IT WAS AGREED to begin to include the name of the Councillor who wrote articles for the newsletter and also their area of responsibility within the Council.

(ii) delivery of newsletter.

Councillor Orchard to investigate any other bodies that might be paid to deliver the newsletter. If that is not successful then Councillor Kuncewicz to advertise for a delivery person.

Volunteers to be used if no alternative can be found.

14.12 The Council reviewed the Christmas tree 2013 and considered any changes for 2014

(i) The concrete tube to house the tree has broken. A resident has offered to make a steel sleeve to fit inside the concrete tube. The Council agreed to accept this offer.

(ii) Some damage has occurred to the electricity box and the location of the box was discussed. In view of changes in technology since the box was installed it might be best if a new box was installed in a different location. Clerk to obtain further information and quotes for this work.

(iii) Due to the high winds when the tree was in place we have lost some of the baubles recently purchased and only 25 small baubles and 48 large baubles still remain. Reduced price baubles are available during January.

RESOLVED: Councillor Orchard to purchase new baubles up to the value of £200

(iv) Old Christmas tree lights have been donated to the Baptist Chapel.

14.13 The Council considered matters related to Wolvey Village Hall

(i) montage of village certificates:

A quote for £62.80 has been obtained from Mr Buswell to make a frame for the montage
Printing will cost £15.86

RESOLVED: to proceed with making the montage of certificates

(ii) possible lease of room for storage: A list of items to be stored has been provided to the Village Hall Committee. Councillor Kunczewicz and the Clerk to investigate what is required in the room. Councillor Orchard to arrange for Councillors Dixon and Hardman to meet with Village Hall representatives to discuss this.

14.14 The Council considered approval of a draft response to questions from Wolvey Playing Fields Trust.

A draft response had been circulated to Members prior to the meeting

RESOLVED to approve the draft response

14.15 Publications and documents for consideration at meeting:

(i) WALC Briefing Day 1st March- Clerk to book up to 5 places if Councillors wish to attend.

(ii) Nomination for Royal Garden Party- Clerk to ask absent members if they wish to be nominated.

14.16 Publications and documents for circulation to members

16.1 Emails previously circulated- **noted:**

WALC newsletter

Scrutiny event 27th January- request for topics to discuss

Fireworks at switch-on event

Planning Minister on NDP's

Government Local Authorities Financial statement

Rugby BC Planning- response to Two questions from Parish Council

Community Resilience workshop 23rd January

Council tax base and support grant

Nominations for Royal Garden Party

Rural Opportunities Bulletin

Concrete columns inspection survey

Police & Crime Commissioner- Pledge to protect frontline policing

CPRE campaigns- breaking the bag habit

Police & Crime Commissioner- tackling a new frontier of crime

Rural Services network

16.2 Correspondence received by post- **noted:**

- (i) Amberol
- (ii) Warwickshire Wildlife Trust journal and catalogues
- (iii) Hinckley & Bosworth Borough Council's Submission of the Earl Shilton and Barwell area Action Plan

14.17 Minor matters for discussion and items for next Meeting:

- (i) Empty house on Fernhill Way
- (ii) Public Transport

14.18 Date of Next Meeting:

Next meeting of the Council to be held on **Monday 17th February 2014 in Wolvey Bowling Club**

14.19 The meeting was closed at 9.35pm**THREE QUARTER YEAR BANK RECONCILIATION 31ST DECEMBER, 2013**

Prepared by M. Cartwright (Clerk) – 7th January 2014

Approved by Council – 20th January 2014

Bank Account Balances 31st Dec 2013

	£	£
Co-op Guaranteed Investment Account	0	
Co-op Community Direct Account	1884.11	
Co-op 14 day Account	.71	
Co-op No 2 Account	1080.65	
Unity Trust bank	56693.63	
Total	59659.10	£59659.10
<i>Less unpresented cheques</i>		
300030	150.00	
300031	150.00	
300039	51.20	
300041	50.00	
300043	120.00	
300045	60.00	
300046	20.00	
300047	12.64	
300048	35.00	
300051	100.00	
300052	20.00	
300053	50.00	
400092	5.00	
		(£823.84)
Net Bank Balances at 31st Dec 2013		£58835.26

Cash Book at 31st Dec 2013

Balance Brought Forward	43121.27	
Receipts	50103.04	
		£93224.31

Less Payments	(34389.05)	
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**Closing Balance as per Cash Book
as at 31st Dec 2013****£58835.26**