

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WOLVEY PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN  
WOLVEY BAPTIST CHAPEL ON MONDAY 17 DECEMBER 2018 at 7.30pm**

**Present:** Councillor Warwick (Chairman); Councillors Delargey, Guraya and Hawkins

**In Attendance:** 3 members of the public

**Apologies:** Councillor Hawcutt and Borough Councillor Chris Pacey-Day

**120/18 Chairman's Welcome**

The Chairman welcomed all those present to the meeting.

**121/18 Declarations of Interest and Grant of Dispensation**

The following Declarations of Interest were recorded:

Councillor Warwick declared an interest in Wolvey Baptist Chapel and in any matter by reason of him being a Member of Warwickshire County Council.

Councillor Hawkins declared an interest in any matter relating to Wolvey Playing Field.

**122/18 Minutes of the meeting held on 29 November 2018**

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 29 November 2018 be confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

**123/18 Parishioners' Time**

There were no issues raised at the meeting.

**124/18 Parking outside Wolvey C of E Primary School**

Parish councillors discussed the problem of the indiscriminate parking of vehicles outside Wolvey C of E Primary School and along Bulkington Road during school dropping off and picking up times. Concern was expressed over the danger this posed to children, particularly when running between parked cars. One suggestion to ease parking congestion was to request permission for vehicles to park in The Bulls Head Public House car park during school dropping off and picking up times. In the meantime, Warwickshire County Council would promote traffic awareness in the school.

**RESOLVED** that permission be requested for vehicles to park in The Bulls Head Public House car park during school dropping off and picking up times.

**125/18 Warwickshire County Council and Rugby Borough Council – Update**

**(a) Rugby Borough Council**

Councillor Pacey-Day was not present at the meeting. He had informed the Chairman, however, that the "Stretton Point" development was moving

forward after a considerable delay, and this development could have implications for Wolvey. A meeting between the developers and parish councils to review the proposals would be arranged.

**(b) Warwickshire County Council**

County Councillor Warwick reported on the following:

- (i) The new industrial estate along Hinckley Way had resulted in an increase in traffic.
- (ii) The decision by West Mercia Police Authority to terminate its strategic alliance with Warwickshire Police Authority would not impact on the number of police officers.

**126/18 Wolvey Wetland Trust – Update**

John Hardman reported that he had received confirmation from WEG members that the Wolvey Wetland had been purchased through donations, and not by the parish council.

With regard to Trust Status, there were three issues which still required clarification: the matter of the parish council being able to veto the appointment of a Trustee, the protection of parish council assets and the issue of insurance and liability. John Hardman had written to the Charity Commission for guidance regarding the parish council being able to veto the appointment of a Trustee.

As a result of investigations into Trust Status, certain issues had come to light. One of these was the legal status of the walkways and whether any had been designated as public rights of way or were permissive paths.

**RESOLVED** that

- (a) The update be noted;
- (b) The Clerk contact Warwickshire County Council Rights of Way to determine the status of the walkways in the Wetland; and
- (c) The Clerk contact the parish council's insurers to request a site meeting to seek advice and clarification on matters relating to insurance and liability.

**127/18 Clerk's Report**

- (a) Mark Pawsey, MP had offered to arrange a visit to Westminster for any interested parish councillors.
- (b) The date on both the adult defibrillator pads had recently expired. In consultation with the Chairman, the Clerk had ordered two replacement sets at a cost of £40 each from Tranter Training Solutions. In the meantime, the defibrillators could still be used in the event of an emergency.

**RESOLVED** that the report and the purchase of two sets of adult pads for the defibrillator machines at a total cost of £80 be noted.

**128/18 Planning**

The Chairman reported that following an inspection by Rugby Borough Council's Enforcement Officer, the development at Sunnyside had reduced in size and had been sited further back.

**129/18 Financial Matters**

The parish council considered the financial matters relating to the Parish Council.

**RESOLVED** that

- (a) the following payments be agreed:
  - (i) Clerk's salary, allowances and expenses (cheque no. 300633) - £706.73
  - (ii) Wolvey Baptists – invoice no. 263 – room hire on 12.12.18 – (cheque no. 600634) - £7.00
  - (iii) J.A. Essex – reimburse ink cartridges (cheque no. 600635) - £13.59
- (b) The following direct debits be noted:
  - (i) NEST Pension – December - £61.37
  - (ii) OPUS Energy – Street Lighting – 20 October – 18 November 2018 - £516.84

**130/18 Budget 2019/20**

Councillors considered a revised 2019/20 budget following receipt of the Council Tax Base from Rugby Borough Council. It was confirmed that there would be no Local Council Tax Support Funding in 2019/20.

**RESOLVED** that the parish council's precept for 2019/20 be set at £39,127, which represented a 0% increase in Band D Council Tax bill. (A copy of the approved budget for 2018/19 is attached to these minutes).

**131/18 Streetlight Renewal Programme 2017/18 – Update**

The Chairman would contact Councillor Hawcutt for the updated plan of the streetlights in the parish to enable quotes for replacement streetlights to be requested.

**132/18 Annual Christmas Tree Switch-on Event**

The Chairman thanked all those groups and individuals who had assisted with the above event.

**133/18 Neighbourhood Plan Advisory Committee (NPAC) – Update**

Councillor Warwick reported that a meeting would be arranged in early 2019.

**134/18 Date of next Meeting**

The next meetings of the parish council would be on Monday 21 January 2019 at 7.30pm in Wolvey Baptist Chapel.

**135/18 Exclusion of the public under Public Bodies (Amendment Act 1960, Section 1)**

**RESOLVED** that the public be excluded from the meeting during the discussion of the following item in view of the confidential nature of the business to be discussed.

**136/18 Village Maintenance Scheme – Quotes**

The parish council considered quotes which had been received in respect of possible works which might be required under the village maintenance scheme.

**RESOLVED** that the quotes received be noted.

The meeting closed at 8.50 p.m.