

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WOLVEY PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN
WOLVEY BAPTIST CHAPEL ON MONDAY 18 MARCH 2019 at 7.30pm**

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

In Attendance: 2 members of the public

Apologies: Borough Councillor Chris Pacey-Day

172/19 Chairman's Welcome and announcements

The Chairman welcomed all those present to the meeting.

173/19 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.

174/19 Minutes of the meeting held on 18 February 2019

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 18 February 2019 be confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

175/19 Warwickshire County Council and Rugby Borough Council – Update

(a) Rugby Borough Council

Councillor Pacey-Day was not present at the meeting.

(b) Warwickshire County Council

County Councillor Warwick reported on the following:

- (i) Health Watch was promoting the fact that everyone was entitled to health care and register with a GP.
- (ii) The Warwickshire Fire & Rescue Service Safe & Well Scheme had been extended to all elderly and vulnerable members of the community.

176/19 Wolvey Wetland - Update

Chris Kenrick and Ted Buswell reported that one of the willow trees had been damaged during the strong winds on Friday 15 March 2019. The Woodland Walks had been closed to the public until works had been carried to make the tree safe.

RESOLVED that

- (a) the action taken to close the Woodland Walks to the public be endorsed; and
- (b) the importance of notifying the Clerk of any incidents at the Wetland was re-iterated.

177/19 Proposed Wolvey Wetland Trust

The Clerk had circulated the letter signed by John Hardman, Chairman of WEC, on behalf of Wolvey Environment Group (WEG) formally requesting the parish council to consider a 25 year lease of the Wolvey Wetland to a proposed Wolvey Environmental Trust.

RESOLVED that

- (a) the parish council agrees to the request from WEG to commence proceedings for a 25 year lease of the Wolvey Wetland to a proposed Wolvey Environmental Trust;
- (b) the terms of the lease are to include:
 - (i) the minimum annual rent would be charged.
 - (ii) a clause which would allow the parish council to terminate the lease at any time in the event that it considered any Trustee to be unsuitable for the role.
 - (iii) a schedule of significant assets, including environmental assets, would be drawn up. No works would be carried out to any of these identified assets without the prior consent of the parish council.
 - (iv) all works carried out on site were to be in accordance with the original approved Wetland Management Plan.
- (c) authority be delegated the Clerk, in consultation with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the parish council, to meet with the parish council's solicitor to discuss the terms of the lease, prior to the draft lease being brought back to a full meeting of the parish council for consideration.

178/19 Community Speed Watch

The Clerk had been contacted by eight residents who were interested in volunteering for Community Speed Watch.

The Police had now provided forms for volunteers to complete before training. The Clerk would notify volunteers that a supply of these forms could be collected from the village shop. All completed forms would need to be returned to the Clerk. Three residents from Shilton and three residents from Clifton-upon-Dunsmore had also expressed an interest and the Police had suggested that training could be provided for volunteers from all three villages. There would be no charge for training.

RESOLVED that the update be noted.

179/19 Speed Awareness Wheelie Bins Stickers

The Clerk had received confirmation that neither Rugby Borough Council nor Warwickshire County Council objected to the use of 30 mph stickers for wheelie bins. It was pointed out that stickers would only be issued to those households where wheelie bins were visible from the highway.

RESOLVED that two packs of 6 stickers at a total cost of £17.90 be purchased.

180/19 Clerk's Report

The Clerk updated the parish council on progress and updates arising from the last meeting.

181/19 Planning

The parish council considered the following planning application:

R19/0487 – The Chalet. Hinckley Road, Wolvey – retrospective application for retention of new stables, including access road and hardstanding (Variation of Condition 1 of approved planning permission R16/1986 dated 11/11/2016 to substitute approved plan with amended plan to include amendments to the design of the stable roof)

RESOLVED that the parish council objects to this application – it considers that the development should not have been approved by the Planning Inspector in the first instance and re-iterates its general concern over development in the Green Belt and the fact that the development is visible from the main road. The parish council considers that the terms and conditions of the Planning Inspector's decision should be adhered to.

182/19 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. 300643) - £705.81
 - (ii) Warwickshire County Council Footway Maintenance Contract 2018/19 (cheque no. 300644) - £1,037.57
 - (iii) Wolvey Baptist Chapel – invoice no. 268 – Room Hire on 13 March 2019 (cheque no. 300645) - £7.00
 - (iv) CPRE – annual membership (cheque no. 300646) - £40.00
 - (v) HMRC – PAYE for Quarter 4 (cheque no. 300647) - £85.23
- (b) The following direct debits be noted:
 - (i) NEST Pension - £61.37

- (c) The following income be noted:
 - (i) HMRC – VAT reclaim for period 1.3.18 – 30.11.18 - £2,373.27
- (d) The acceptance of the quote from Baginton Nurseries for 2019 Summer bedding of £380.40 be noted.

183/19 The Square, Wolvey

The parish council considered arrangements for the repair of the loose slabs and the future maintenance of the Square.

Warwickshire County Council Officers had informed the parish council that before accepting responsibility for the paved area within the Square, works to the area would need to be completed in accordance with the county council's approved specification.

RESOLVED that

- (a) The parish council requests Warwickshire County Council to accept responsibility for the paved area within the Square, subject to the repair works being completed in accordance with the Warwickshire County Council's approved specification;
- (b) Authority be granted to the Clerk, in consultation with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman, to liaise with Warwickshire County Council officers over the urgency of the work and suitably qualified contractors in order that further quotes could be obtained; and
- (c) The shrub beds and village coat of arms remain the responsibility of Wolvey Parish Council.

184/19 Annual Parish Meeting

The parish council discussed arrangements for the Annual Parish Meeting on Wednesday 24 April 2019.

With regard to the installation of part night photocells on the new replacement lanterns, it was suggested that the Annual Parish Meeting would provide the opportunity to gauge the views of residents on this matter.

RESOLVED that

- (a) Andrew Edwards (Executive Head Teacher) and Katie Taylor (Head of School at Wolvey C of E Primary) be invited to attend the Annual Parish Meeting;
- (b) Refreshments be purchased for the evening; and
- (c) A flyer be distributed informing residents that the part night photocells on street lights would be discussed at the Annual Parish Meeting to gauge residents' views.

185/19 Streetlight Renewal Programme 2018/19 – Update

The parish council considered three quotes for the supply and installation of Eco mini LED lanterns on all parish council streetlights.

RESOLVED that

- (a) the quote submitted by Hi-Lite Electrical Ltd in the sum of £21,750 (which includes the installation of electronic photocells) be accepted and budget provision be carried forward to 2019/20;
- (b) and a full survey of existing streetlights be carried out prior to the replacement works;
- (c) the warranty period be confirmed;
- (d) the final number of electronic photocell (dusk till dawn) to be fitted be confirmed following consultation with residents at the Annual Parish Meeting on 24 April 2019; and
- (e) Enquiries be made with Warwickshire County Council over the continuation of the annual maintenance contract once the lanterns have been replaced.

186/19 Neighbourhood Plan Advisory Committee (NPAC) – Update

Councillor Warwick reported that a meeting had been arranged for Monday 25 March 2019. Unfortunately, Rugby Borough Council had still not received any information from the Planning Inspector regarding the approval of its Local Plan and no reasons had been given for the delay.

RESOLVED that the update be noted.

187/19 Date of next Meeting

The next meetings of the parish council would be on Monday 15 April 2019 at 7.30pm in Wolvey Baptist Chapel.

The meeting closed at 8.35 p.m.