



FULL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

MINUTES of the Wrockwardine Wood & Trench Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 13th November 2018. 7pm at the Parish Council Centre, Church Road, Wrockwardine Wood

PRESENT: Cllr's. Mrs S. Watkins (Chair), B. Bennett, L. Madeley, D. Plant, Mrs. S. Reynolds, S. Reynolds, C.F. Smith, H. Smith, B.J. Thompson & K. Watkins.

IN ATTENDANCE: 2 members of the public.

18/3085 Welcome and Introductions

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

18/3086 Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillor B. Brayne who was ill,

18/3087 Disclosable Pecuniary Interest

No disclosable pecuniary interests declared.

18/3088 Public Session

A resident asked why the gate between the football club and Oakengates Leisure Centre in Church Road is now always locked.

Cllr C. Smith suggested that this may be to stop travellers parking on the land, but as a Public Right of Way this needs to be investigated.

The Clerk was asked to write to Telford & Wrekin Council Public Rights of Way department.

Parking on footpaths during pick up and drop off times outside Wrockwardine Wood Infant School are still causing problems with resident's driveways being blocked.

The resident had contacted the Chief Inspector from Wellington Police station who advised that it is a matter for the school to enforce.

The Clerk updated that she had reported the matter to the Police following parking problems outside the school during the last few weeks. An officer attended last week but no one parked on the pavement whilst the officer was there.

Councillors asked the Clerk to arrange a meeting with the school to help resolve the issue.

18/3089 Previous Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 9th October 2018

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 9th October 2018 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

18/3090 Closure of A & E Dept overnight at PRH Hospital, Telford

A letter was circulated to Councillors from the Leader of Telford & Wrekin Council asking Parish Councils for support an initiative to refurbish accommodation for newly qualified doctors at the PRH Hospital where volunteers are giving their time to bring the accommodation up to standard. It is hoped to attract new doctors, which would allow the A & E department to remain open overnight.

Councillors said what a good project it is if it supports newly qualified doctors.

Questions were raised on what will happen to any money given to the project by the Parish Council if the A & E department is still closed and will the accommodation still be needed.

Councillors suggested that money is pledged on the basis that it will be kept in reserves until it is confirmed that the A & E department remain open.

RESOLVED that the Parish Council unanimously agreed to pledge £2,500 towards the refurbishment of accommodation for doctors at the PRH Hospital, to be paid once confirmation is received that the A & E Department will remain open overnight.

The Clerk was asked to write to Cllr Shaun Davies and thank him for his efforts to keep the A & E Department open and say that the money will be donated as soon as confirmation has been received stating that the department will remain open 24 hours each day.

18/3091 Parking in Malcolm Davis Drive

Cllr Shirley Reynolds has received a petition from residents in Malcolm Davis Drive following complaints that they are having problems with cars parking on the pavement and blocking driveways practically at school start and finish times. At times it would be impossible to get an emergency vehicle down the road due to inconsiderate parking.

The Clerk was asked to write to Sanctuary Housing who own the land and suggest they put in a no parking zone and introduce a resident only parking permit scheme. The Parish Council can look at putting double yellow lines in place, but the landlord Sanctuary Housing has a duty of care to its residents to ensure that the drive is kept clear to allow access by emergency vehicles.

18/3092 Clerk's Report

The memorial garden in Holy Trinity Churchyard has been completed and the garden was dedicated by Rev. Loughran at the remembrance service on the 11th November. Cllr Madeley thanked the Clerk for her efforts in getting the garden completed.

The new SID device has arrived and will be installed in Wombridge Road later this week, following problems with the wrong device being delivered. A SID has been borrowed from Telford & Wrekin Council (TWC) in the interim which was installed on Moss Road.

The Clerk reported that she has liaised with Adam Brookes to obtain a quote to install railings at the top of Church Road for the safety of pupils attending the Priory School and it will be between £3,500 and £4,000 to complete the safety measures.

Councillors agreed that funding should be found to complete the railings as a matter of urgency.

Christmas party tickets have been selling fast and only a handful of tickets left.

The Clerk was asked to contact Kay Grice of TWC to find out when the new litter bins will be installed to replace the ones removed from the parish without Councillors consent. Sites identified are Gibbons Road opposite the Labour Club and on the playing fields off Gibbons Road.

18/3093 Payments to be issued

All Councillor's received a list of the expenditure transactions for October/November 2018 and a list of cheques to be signed.

RESOLVED that the expenditure transactions for October/November 2018 totalling £36,838.25 be approved. (Copy of list attached to office minutes).

18/3094 To receive a Statement of Accounts for October 2018.

The item was deferred to the next meeting.

18/3095 Correspondence

Wrockwardine Wood & Trench Local History Group – thank you email

The Clerk read out an email from the group notifying the Parish Council that the group would close due to falling numbers. The group thanked the Parish Council for all their support and for supplying a room for them to meet for the past 7 years. Under terms of the constitution funds will be shared between Holy Trinity Church, the Air Ambulance and the Hospice. Remaining resources will be offered to other local history groups.

SALC – Wrekin Area Committee meeting minutes/ November 2018 Bulletin

Telford & Wrekin Arthritis Support – Thank you letter for grant.

Telford & Wrekin Council – White Ribbon event invitation

Arriva – Telford Bus Station Stand List

Telford & Wrekin Council – Mayors Charity Appeal invite to afternoon tea

Clerk & Councils Direct – magazine

18/3096 Items of information only

Cllr Stephen Reynolds suggested that all information held by the History Group be transferred to Oakengates History Group to maintain the collection. Cllr Madeley reported that the Wrekin Role of Honour has been given to Holy Trinity Church and some members have had their own items returned to them.

Cllr Madeley updated that the trees and shrubs have been cutback alleyway between Gibbons Road and Woodhouse Crescent has had the making the alleyway safer. The fields surrounding the alleyway have also been cleared.

Councillors asked that the alleyway from Church Road, by the hairdressers through to Talbot Road needs clearing as it's a public right of way. The Clerk was asked to contact the Rights of Way Officer at TWC.

Cllr Stephen Reynolds requested that the data from the SID in Moss Road is made available for the next meeting.

Cllr Thompson asked that the sign for the Parish Office located by the Duke of York be turned around to face in the right direction.

Railings on Trench Road opposite Peppers have been damaged for some time due to an accident. The Clerk was asked to contact the Police to see if it is still an outstanding insurance claim.

Cllr Madeley asked whether an outside water supply could be installed in Holy Trinity Churchyard to assist people tending graves.
Clerk to speak to Rev. Loughran.

.18/3097 Date & Venue of the Next Meeting

Full Council Meeting – 11th December 2018 at 7pm

Finance Committee Meeting – 4th December 2018 at 7pm.

Meeting finished at 7.55pm

Signed.....
Chairman

Date.....