



CHESLYN HAY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held on Wednesday 15th September 2021 at Broadmeadow Lane Centre, Great Wyrley at 7.00 pm

1. 15/09/49 – PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (subject to room limits)

- 1.1 One member of the public attended to observe proceedings.

2. 15/09/50 - MEMBERS PRESENT

- 2.1 Councillor B. L. Bladen (Chair)
Councillors :- P. L. Appleton, E. A. Davison, J. C. Davison, A. W. Emery,
I. Emery, S. Hollis, J. D. Lockley, B. Woolley
County Councillors K. Perry and B. Williams
Melanie Brown – Parish Clerk

3. 15/09/51 – APOLOGIES

- 3.1 Apologies for absence from Councillors T. M. Boyle, L. J. Emery, G. P. Keatley,
C. Wilkinson, P. Wilkinson and A. Woolley.

4. 15/09/52 – DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- 4.1 Councillor B. Woolley – agenda item 9 (d) Finance.
4.2 Councillors E. A. Davison and J. C. Davison – agenda item 10 (b) Clerks Report.

5. 15/09/53 – MINUTES

- 5.1 That the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 13th July 2021 be recorded as a true and accurate record.

RESOLVED:

Proposed by Councillor J. C. Davison, seconded by Councillor S. Hollis, all in favour that the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 13th July 2021 be recorded as a true and accurate record.

6. 15/09/54 – COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT

- 6.1 County Councillors K. Perry and B. Williams reported on the following issues:-
- Councillor Roger Lees has been appointed as the new Leader of the Council.
 - A wasp nest has been reported by Councillor Perry in a lighting column in Clover Ridge.
 - A meeting to discuss the road closures on Walkmill Lane is taking place tomorrow at 9.00 am, the Parish to be updated after this meeting.
 - A meeting has been arranged with residents at Cheslyn Hay village hall to discuss issues of orange debris left on the Wolverhampton Road outside Champions Wood Quarry.
 - That Great Wyrley Community Centre will be used for booster vaccinations and the flu jab starting on the 25th September 2021.
- 6.2 Members raised concerns regarding the following issues:-
- Overgrown footpath with nettles at 'kissing bridge' Sutherland Road open space.
 - Footpaths on Sutherland Road open space overgrown.
 - Cars and vehicles parked on footpaths around Cheslyn Hay.
 - Request for road sweeper to take leaves away from the drains.
 - Request for speed to be dropped near footpaths where there is no space for pedestrians to walk or pass.
 - Footpaths on Station Street are now a hazard and need resurfacing.

RESOLVED:

That the Clerk invite Inspector Dave Wains to a Parish Council meeting to discuss parking and enforcement.

That Members inform the Clerk of any footpaths that require urgent attention to forward to County Councillors.

7. 15/09/55 – DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT

- 7.1 District Councillor S. Hollis reported that a new air pollution monitor has been purchased and he has requested that it is sited in Cheslyn Hay Parish.
- 7.2 District Councillor S. Hollis has requested further information regarding the change in the bin collection service at the District Council following driver shortages and sickness issues.
- 7.3 District Councillor S. Hollis discussed the recent Covid rates for South Staffordshire.
- 7.4 District Councillor S. Hollis has requested the amended drainage plans for the Morris Homes development at New Horse Road.
- 7.5 District Councillor J. D. Lockley reported that he is now an Independent Councillor as he has resigned as a Member of the Conservative party, he then made a personal statement.

RESOLVED:

Councillor J. C. Davison requested the District Councillors to arrange for a Legal Officer to attend the Parish Council meeting to discuss the Morris Homes application.

Councillor I. Emery requested a copy of the drainage plans to be made available to the Parish Council for the Morris Homes, New Horse Road development.

8. 15/09/56 – PLANNING

- 8.1 21/00896/FUL – Proposed loft conversion incorporating the erection of a flat roof dormer to the rear elevation and two roof lights to the front elevation at 3 Salters Meadow, Cheslyn Hay, WS6 7EE. The Clerk reported that this was a re-submission of 21/00343/FUL.

RESOLVED:

That the Clerk inform South Staffordshire Council Planning Department that there were no objections to planning application 21/00896/FUL.

9. 15/09/57 – FINANCE

- 9.1 Financial Reports – The financial reports for July 2021 were discussed by the Clerk and the bank statements verified and signed by Councillors S. Hollis and J. D. Lockley. The monthly budget report was discussed, balances were checked and variances on the General Purposes, Amenities and Village Hall budgets were discussed in detail.
- 9.2 Payments – Payments proposed by Councillor S. Hollis, seconded by Councillor J. C. Davison, with Councillor E. A. Davison as third signatory.

RESOLVED:

Proposed by Councillor S. Hollis, seconded by Councillor A. W. Emery, all in favour that the Financial Reports for July 2021 be agreed and accepted.

That any outstanding payments be made in respect of those items listed on the green paper circulated at the meeting.

10. 15/09/58 – CLERKS REPORT

- 10.1 Update on Football Liaison Committee – The Clerk reported that a meeting had been held on the 1st September 2021, two senior teams (Colliers Arms FC and Elms FC) have been signed and two junior teams (Eagles under 13's and Falcons under 13's) and both will play in the morning session, pitches will need to be separated due to safeguarding issues. Teams signed their contracts and paid their fees on the evening of the meeting. Matches start on the 12th September 2021.
- 10.2 Update on Coltsfoot Residents Meeting – The Clerk reported that a meeting had been held on the 7th September 2021. John Regan spoke on behalf of the residents and County Councillor Kath Perry chaired the meeting with Mark Keeling in attendance from Staffordshire County Council Highways. Questions were submitted before the meeting from the residents, the survey being carried out by Severn Trent was discussed along with land owner issues and lack of maintenance to drains. The Parish Council will facilitate another meeting in the New Year when the report is available.
- 10.3 Seasonal Decorations Application – The Clerk enquired if Members wanted the same seasonal decorations as Christmas 2020. The Salvation Army have reported they only have a few slots available for the December Carol Service and would need lighting available on site in Chapel Square due to Health and Safety issues.

- 10.4 Remembrance Day arrangements – The Clerk reported that a meeting had been held on the 13th September 2021 and Councillor P. Wilkinson and the Clerk attended. The parade will leave BS Eatons at 10.30 am to head towards the War Memorial, the service will be conducted at Salem Church. A discussion was held as to how the Walkmill Lane diversions will affect the road closures and the Clerk has already alerted Highways to the situation.
- 10.5 Section 137 Grants – The Clerk enquired if Members wished to advertise the Section 137 Grants this year.
- 10.6 Village Hall Review – The Clerk reported that all the hirers had returned from September 2021 and a letter had been received from Townswomen Guild regarding their return. A discussion was held regarding the lifting of restrictions. A discussion was held regarding returning to the Council Chamber for meetings.
- 10.7 Provisional Parish Council Meeting Dates – The Clerk distributed the provisional Parish Council meeting dates for the remainder of 2021.

RESOLVED:

That the Clerk arrange for the same seasonal decorations as previous applications and no Carol Concert will be arranged for December 2021.

That the Clerk arrange for the road closures for Remembrance Day on Sunday 14th November 2021.

That the Clerk advertise the Section 137 Grants with a closing date of the 22nd October 2021.

That the Clerk lift all restrictions on Village Hall hire and draw up a waiver for hirers to sign in relation to contracting Covid infections on site. The Chair and the Clerk to re-arrange the Council Chamber in order to facilitate Full Council meetings.

That Members agreed the Parish Council meeting dates for the remainder of 2021.

11. 15/09/59 – CORRESPONDENCE

- 11.1 The Clerk reported a resident from Station Street, near to the under 8's play area, had requested the return of a council employee to open and lock the play area gates each day due to the anti-social behaviour of youths on the play area at night. A request for more effective signage and ensuring that the fence and hedge are more secure to deter youths from entering the play area was also requested. A discussion was held regarding the anti-social behaviour in this area. The Clerk also reported that she had been informed of an incident of bullying from older youths.
- 11.2 The Clerk reported that correspondence has been received from Ben Adams, Staffordshire Commissioner for Police, Fire and Rescue and Crime detailing how to get in touch and requesting the views and concerns of the communities. Members reported the following issues:-
- Lack of clarity in the role of PCSO's in relation to anti-social behaviour and enforcement duties;
 - Lack of traffic enforcement after 5.00 pm outside take-away establishments on Rosemary Road;

- Request for what evidence is required by law when taking video's or photographs on mobile telephones;
- Speeding issues;
- Lack of lawfulness in the area;
- Parking without due consideration for other road users or pedestrians;
- Parking on double yellow lines;
- Anti-social behaviour by youths on Cheslyn Hay recreation ground.

11.3 The Clerk reported that an invitation has been received to attend a Locality Forum for Community Safety and Flooding on Thursday 30th September 2021, 6.00 – 8.00 pm.

RESOLVED:

That the Clerk contact the local PCSO's regarding the issues with the youths on the under 8's play area and arrange for the fence and hedge to be more secure and more effective signage.

That the Clerk draft the concerns of the Parish Council for approval before sending to Ben Adams, Staffordshire Commissioner for Police, Fire and Rescue and Crime.

That Councillor S. Hollis attend the Locality Forum for Community Safety and Flooding on Thursday 30th September 2021 at 6.00 pm.

12. 15/09/60 TABLED ITEMS

12.1 No tabled items, sent via email.

RESOLVED:

That the Clerk email any appropriate documents to members after this meeting.

13 15/09/61 – CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

13.1 No Chairman's announcements.

14. 15/09/62 – SECTION 17 STATEMENT

14.1 Items 11.1 and 11.2.

15. 15/09/63 – CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

15.1 Four items for discussion.

Meeting closed at 9.20 pm.

