

STAUNTON ON WYE GROUP PARISH COUNCIL

The Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 5 March 2018 at 7.30pm in the Staunton on Wye Village Hall.

Present – A Powles, N Sellar, A Andrews, J Mason , E Pearson – Gregory, P Dyke, R Skyrme , P Pantall and Cllr R Phillips.

43. Apologies for Absence – D Andrews

Councillors introduced themselves to Cllr Phillips.

The continuing issue of Bliss House was raised and the fact that a letter had been written, on behalf of the Parish Council, to HALC requesting advice. Cllr Phillips agreed to look in to the matter and to report back to the Clerk.

The issue of the Old School was raised and specifically the condition of the hedge which has overgrown into the play park. Cllr Phillips agreed to check ownership.

The issue was raised regarding the condition of the waste bins in the lay-by on the A438 which require emptying. Both the Clerk and Cllr Phillips agreed to contact Balfour Beatty.

The continuing matter of the Old Court planning application was raised

The issue of the planning application at Worlds End was raised. Cllr Phillips agreed that he would raise the issue with the local authority Enforcement Officer in respect of the caravan and hardstanding.

44. Declarations of Interest - None

45. Minutes of meeting held on 8 January 2018– were approved and signed by the Chairman.

46. Matters Arising

It was agreed that the Clerk, together with a Parish Councillor, would meet with H Kirby to consider payments for her maintenance of the Parish Council website.

47. Planning Matters

There were no new applications.

48. Playing Field

The Clerk informed the meeting of his recent discussions with Mike Barber at Creative Play. An order had been placed for the agreed amount of equipment and a date for an inspection of the playground prior to the installation of the equipment.

It was agreed that the Clerk would prepare an article for the Signal setting out the details of the work that was to be undertaken on the replacement of the old equipment on the playground and the fact that the playground would be closed from the 15 April whilst the work was undertaken.

It was further agreed that the article should contain thanks to all those who had made donations and a request for assistance with the forthcoming labouring work.

49. Highway Matters

The meeting was informed that the bridge at Bredwardine would be closed on the 12 and 13 March.

The Clerk agreed to contact Balfour Beatty in respect of the drains at the Wrens Nest and at Brobury that required cleaning due to overflowing. He further agreed to contact Balfour Beatty in respect of the poor condition of the road surface within the lay-by on the A438 and the overgrown hedge on the side of that lay-by.

The continuing issues of potholes was raised and the Clerk agreed to communicate with Balfour Beatty to ascertain when work would be undertaken on the outstanding work within the Parish.

The issue of car parking at the school and the effect that is having within the Village was raised. The meeting was informed that there is discussion at the school regarding staggered car arrival and departure within the school day. The Parish Council will receive feed back in respect of that discussion.

50. Parish Council Website

The meeting was reminded that discussion would be held with Heloise Kirby regarding future payments in respect of the maintenance of the website.

51 General Correspondence

The Clerk informed the meeting that there were no items of General Correspondence.

52 Defibrillator

It was agreed that a Parish Councillor would identify an electrician who would undertake the work required to fit lighting on the wall above the defibrillator. Further contact would be made with the West Midlands Ambulance Service to ascertain any advice that they may be able to offer regarding such work.

53. Payphones

There has been no further information regarding those telephone boxes within the Parish. The Clerk was requested to make contact with BT regarding the broken glass in the telephone box in Staunton on Wye.

54. Footpaths

The meeting was informed that a new bridge had been placed in the Brobury / Letton lane.

55. Finance

The Clerk informed the meeting of the current financial position.

56. Any Other Business

There were no items of any other business.

Date of next meeting – **14 May 2018 at 7.30pm**

The meeting closed at 8.52 pm

