

## HODNET PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Hodnet Parish Council held at The Lyon Hall, Hodnet  
on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2018 at 7.30pm

**Present:** Councillors Chris Mackie, Maryjayne Rees, John Powell, John Parker, Steve Alden, Paul Nevins, Howard Trevor and Steve Freeman and Jane Evans (Clerk)

1. **Welcome and Apologies** – Apologies were received from Councillors Karen Calder, Alan Cope and John Roberts.
2. **Declaration of Interest** – None
3. **Public Session** – There were no members of the public present.
4. **Minutes** – The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 11<sup>th</sup> January 2018 had previously been circulated and Cllr Rees proposed that the minutes were a true and accurate record of proceedings, Cllr Alden seconded this and all agreed.
5. **Clerk's update regarding on-going matters** - The following information was provided to up-date the Council regarding various on-going issues:
  - a. The Clerk advised that unfortunately she had been able to get a photograph in the newspaper relating to the Parish Council's frustration at the Post Office not re-instating the Post Box in Station Road. The Council agreed that they would leave this until the bench was installed and get the newspaper to cover both stories.
  - b. The Clerk confirmed that she had received the bench and it was decided that a few Councillors would meet on Saturday, 24<sup>th</sup> Feb, to look at where to position this along Shrewsbury Street.
  - c. Having looked at the publication 'Bats and Lighting in the UK' the Clerk advised that to put waist-high lighting in The Old Auction Yard development would cost a minimum of £3,250 but it could be a lot more. The Council decided to leave this matter for the time being and Cllr Parker advised the Council that he would talk to the residents in these properties to explain this decision.
  - d. The Parish Council now owns it's a lap top and the Clerk thanked Cllr Mackie for getting this and setting it up.
  - e. Prior to the meeting the Clerk had circulated Shropshire Planning's response to the Council's letter regarding the Traffic Management Plan for Hawkstone Hall and this matter was discussed.
  - f. The Clerk advised the Council that she had looked into the possibility of a grant for setting up wi-fi in the Lyon Hall but so far had not found one that was suitable.
6. **Unitary Councillors Report** – Unfortunately Cllr Calder was unable to attend the meeting due to work commitments.
7. **Report from Hodnet Parish Council representatives at recent meetings:** No meetings had been attended.
8. **Planning** – The Council considered the following planning applications and unanimously agreed the subsequent *comments*:
  - a. **18/00103/FUL** – Erection of a single storey boot room extension and erection of a detached double garage following removal of existing garage – The Old School House, Drayton Road, Hodnet, Shropshire TF9 3NF7 – *No objection*
  - b. **18/00180/FUL** - Formation of a manège – Daneswell Farm, Kenston, Hodnet, Shropshire TF9 3LH - *Support*
  - c. **18/00498/FUL** – Erection of 2 gable extensions on rear elevation to replace dormer windows and hipped roof slope; removal of all timber windows followed by replacement upvc double glazed windows and doors – Bramley House, Marchamley, Shrewsbury Shropshire SY4 5LE - *Support*
  - d. **18/00482/FUL** – Part change of use from C2 (Residential institutions) to C4 (Houses in multiple occupation) – Garden House, Peplow, Market Drayton Shropshire TF9 3JP – *No Objection*

- e. **18/00620/FUL** – Erection of annexe extension – The Cottage, 49 Marchamley Wood, Shrewsbury SY4 5LH - *While not objecting to this planning application Hodnet Parish Council would like to point out that this would appear to be an entirely separate residential dwelling and not an annexe to the existing property.*

**Determination of Planning**

**17/05282/FUL** – Erection of an entrance lobby – Hodnet Primary School, Shrewsbury Street, Hodnet, Shropshire TF9 3NS – **Permission Granted**

**17/05713/FUL** – Erection of front porch and stone walled planters to the front of the property, levelling off parking area to the side, garden landscaping to the rear (including; raised decking areas and walls) and removal of a beech tree – **Permission Granted**

**9. Accounts**

**a. Expenditure**

Payee	Details	Chq/DD	Amount	Authority
E-on	Electricity for Street Lighting – January	DD	£318.17	PCA 1957 ss 3 (1)
C M re CurrysPCWorld	New Parish Laptop	2037	477.35	
Glasdon UK Ltd	Bench for Shrewsbury Street	2038	£1,106.07	
Information Comm	Annual registration fee	2039	£35.00	
Highline Electrical Ltd	Street Light Maintenance	2040	£397.36	PCA 1957 ss 3 (1)
E-on	Electricity for Street Lighting – February	DD	£318.17	PCA 1957 ss 3 (1)
Hodnet School	Grant for playground repairs	2041	£750.00	
Jane Evans	Monthly Salary – February	SO	£478.83	LGA 1972 s 112
	<b>Total</b>		<b>£3,880.95</b>	

These expenses were proposed by Cllr Powell, seconded by Cllr Rees and the cheques were duly signed.

**b. Bank Reconciliation** – The Bank Reconciliation at the end of the previous month:

Balance brought forward at beginning of year	£ 40,552.47
Add receipts for year to date	£ 26,458.85
Less payments for year to date	£ 15,596.48
Balance to be carried forward	£ 51,414.84
Bank Balances as at 31 <sup>st</sup> January 2017:	
Current Account	£ 100.00
Reserve Account	£ 11,832.17
C I L Reserve Account	£ 39,732.67
Adjustment req'd for unrepresented cheques	£ 250.00
Total of Reconciled Bank Balances	£ 51,414.84

c. **Appointment of Internal Auditor** – The Clerk explained about the changes to the auditing system with effect from Year Ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018 and Cllr Parker proposed that the Council appoint Mrs Sue Hackett as the Internal Auditor for this financial year, this was seconded by Cllr Rees, all agreed.

d. **Hodnet Medical Centre wayleave charge** – This matter was discussed and as there had not been an increase for this annual charge for four years Cllr Trevor proposed a 10% increase, Cllr Alden seconded this and all agreed. The Clerk will write to the Practice Manager to give six months notice for this decision.

**10. Highways and Environmental Health** – The following points were made and the Clerk will take this issues forward on behalf of the Council:

- a. The road surface on the A442 between Rytex and Peplow crossroads is in a very bad state.

- b. There is water lying on the road at Kenstone with a big hole outside Bank Farm and many potholes.
- c. There are a lot of potholes in the centre of Marchamley village
- d. There is a marked pothole in Paradise but nothing has happened to it so far
- e. There is a blocked drain in Long Lane, outside Long Lane Farmhouse
- f. The issue relating to the overhanging trees in Marchamley still needs to be resolved as soon it will be impossible for pedestrians to walk along this pavement.
- g. There is a gully blocked at Old Auction Yard site which needs clearing.
- h. During a very gusty wind part of a tree by the Lyon Hall blow down and the Council asked the Clerk to look at the tree report that Benbows undertook and see what was said regarding this tree.
- i. The Clerk had also received a request from a resident for a mirror to be put on The Bear so that traffic coming out of Church Street could see down Shrewsbury Street but the Council advised that they had looked into this matter before and the owner of the property would not allow a mirror to be hung there.
- j. As it is getting very muddy where parents are parking by Hodnet Club the Council asked the Clerk to get a quote for extending the hard core into the next two bays in between the trees on the driveway.

- 11. Street Lighting** – H24 and H37 were reported as being faulty and the Clerk will instruct the street light engineer to deal with these and she will also chase up the LED lights which are being fitted to W5, H20 & H54. A resident had requested more lighting on the front of The Grove, between the entrance to Hodnet School and the junction and the Clerk will investigate this matter.
- 12. Playground at Hodnet Recreation Ground** – The Clerk advised the Council that the second quote for redoing the surface under the slide was £3,265 and therefore only £5 different from the first quote. The Council discussed alternative surfaces and instructed the Clerk ask Playsafety Ltd, who undertook the ROSPA report, if either real or artificial turf would be acceptable.
- 13. Community-led Grant Applications** – The Council discussed the up to date position regarding the grant applications and The Clerk advised the Council of two further enquiries that she had received. The Council decided to wait until May to see how the current grant applications developed before asking for any further applications. The Council discussed installing wi-fi at The Lyon Hall as this would benefit all the residents who used this important parish facility. The Clerk advised that the set-up costs and five years of monthly charges would cost a total of c£1,550 and Cllr Rees proposed this be taken forward by the Council, Cllr Alden seconded this and all agreed.
- 14. A Bike Stand at The Lyon Hall** – A request from the Patient Participation Group had been received for a bike stand and the Clerk was instructed to get quotes for a three bike stand.
- 15. Hodnet Parish Meeting** – This annual event was discussed and it was decided to have this on 29<sup>th</sup> March, before the scheduled Parish Council meeting that evening, the Clerk will publicise this event.
- 16. Woore Neighbourhood Plan** – Prior to the meeting the Clerk had circulated the details received relating to this Neighbourhood Plan but the Council decided that they did not want to comment during this consultation period.
- 17. Correspondence** – The following correspondence has been received and was noted:
  - a. **Helicopter Liaison Group** – Details of the next meeting on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2018
  - b. **Connecting Shropshire** – An update regarding the Airband roll-out of superfast broadband
  - c. **Shropshire Royal British Legion** – Details of their ‘Silent Soldier’ concept
  - d. **Shropshire Council’s Planning and Self Build Newsletter**
  - e. **Town & Parish Council Forum** – Details of the next meeting on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2018
  - f. **CCLA** – Information regarding the investment bench mark review

Cllr Powell asked if the Clerk could find out from Connecting Shropshire why there was a fibre broadband box in Paradise when there was all the trunking available to Marchamley as, if it went to Marchamley, then more residents would have the benefit of fibre broadband.

**18. Parish Matters** – Cllr Trevor reported to the Council that there had been an incident of joy-riding in Webster Land with speeds of over 60 miles per hour seen and a fence broken. The Council asked the Clerk to write to both the Police and Shropshire Council about this concerning matter.

Cllr Nevins advised the meeting that during August there would be a Brass Academy Course run in the Parish with two concerts in Hodnet Church. Cllr Nevins went on to request that the Cllrs to think about possible accommodation for the participants please.

Cllr Parker advertising a fund raising quiz that will be held on 15<sup>th</sup> March at the Lyon Hall in aid of funds for the building.

**19. Agenda Items for Next Meeting to be held on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2017 at Lyon Hall, Hodnet**

There being no other business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 9.30 pm

**Approval of the Minutes held on 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2018**

**Minutes accepted and approved by Hodnet Parish Council at a meeting held on 29<sup>th</sup> March 2018**

Signed by the Chairman .....

