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Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council of Hodnet held on **Thursday, 12th September 2019** at Wollerton Rooms.

Present: Cllrs Karen Calder, Steve Freeman, John Parker, John Powell, John Roberts

In attendance: Ian Cruise-Taylor – Parish Clerk

1. **Welcome and Apologies** – Apologies were noted from: Cllrs Alan Cope, Maryjayne Rees, Howard Trevor, Chris Mackie, Paul Nevins
2. **Declaration of Interest** – there were no declarations of a personal or pecuniary interest in any item on the agenda
3. **Public Session** – There were no members of the public present
4. **Minutes** – The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 25th July 2019 were unanimously approved
5. **Clerk's update regarding on-going matters not on the agenda** – To enable Councillors to receive updated information regarding on-going matters from previous Parish Council Meetings:
 - i. **Re-surfacing** – the Chairman confirmed that the bays at the Hodnet Recreation Ground had been completed and the driveway widened. The tarmac would need patching, and Premier Surfacing will provide a quotation. The Chairman also confirmed that arrangements had been made to resurface the entrance to the Lyon Hall carpark, by Premier Surfacing.
 - ii. **Footpath/hedges quote** – the Clerk advised that a quotation had been received for the hedging around the Lyon hall carpark. Councillors agreed that this would not be proceeded with, and that the footpath/hedge adjacent to the carpark would be tidied the Recreation Ground hedging was trimmed
6. **Unitary Councillor Report** – Cllr Karen Calder recommended that the Clerk look into the possibility of securing Environmental Maintenance Grant funding for various projects around the parish.
7. **Report from Hodnet Parish Council representatives at recent meetings** – No meetings had been attended.
8. **Planning – Councillors** unanimously supported the following planning application:
 - a. **19/03882/TCA:** 1 School Lane, Marchamley, SY4 5LD. To cut to ground level H1 – Boundary hedge, mixed species but mainly Holly, H2 - Holly hedge under the Beech tree, Yew arch (G2 i.e. two trees) and 3no Bay (G1), dismantle and cut to ground level 1no Large Lime tree (T2), Crown lift by 2.5m 1no Lime (T3) and crown reduce via thinning by around 30% of the crown volume 1No Mature multi-stemmed Beech tree (T1) within Marchamley Conservation Area.
 - b. **19/03918/TCA:** 24 - 25 Shrewsbury Street, Hodnet, Market Drayton, Shropshire, TF9 3NP. To remove 1no fir tree within Hodnet Conservation Area

Clerk to advise Planning

Determination of Planning

- a. **19/02599/FUL:** Hampnett House, Marchamley, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY4 5LE. Replacement windows, new dormer window and internal alterations
Decision: Grant Permission
- b. **19/03191/FUL:** 12 The Crescent, Hodnet, Shropshire, TF9 3JE. Conversion of integral garage to a bedroom. **Decision: Grant Permission**
- c. **19/01573/FUL:** Land Adjacent Old Barn, Wollerton, Shropshire. Erection of a detached 6-bedroom dwelling.
Decision: Refuse



9. Accounts

- a. **Audit certificate issued by PKF** – Councillors noted that there were no issues with the audit
 b. **Expenditure** – Cllr unanimously approved the below detailed payments:

payee	Payment		
	method	Amount	Authority
E-on	DD	£408.56	PCA 1957 ss 3 (1)
HMRC PAYE Q1	OL	£536.34	LGA 1972 s 111
Cardiac Science (replacement Pads)	OL	£85.19	LGA 1972 s 111
PKF (Audit)	OL	£240.00	LGA 1972 s 111
PlusNet	DD	£18.60	LGA 1972 s 111
BJD Grounds maintenance Q1	OL	£206.82	LGA 1972 s 111
Clerk - admin, Printer cartridge	OL	£36.99	LGA 1972 s 111
Ed Davis re Website	OL	£65.00	LGA 1972 s142
Clerks salary	SO	£267.93	LGA 1972 s112
PlusNet	DD	£18.60	LGA 1972 s 111
Hodnet Angling Club	118	£1,000.00	LG(MP)A 1976 s19(3)
		£2,884.03	

- c. **Bank Reconciliation** – Cllrs received and accepted the Bank Reconciliation:

Balance brought forward from Year End 31st March 2019	£34,792.37
Add: Receipts to date	£24,429.18
Less: Payments to date	£28,561.56
Closing Balance at 31st August 2019	£30,659.99

Bank Balances as at 31st August 2019

Current account (6712)	£100.00
Business Reserve Account (2250)	£6,111.16
CIL Deposit Account (9243)	£26,042.38
less unrepresented cheques	£1,593.55
	£30,659.99

10. **Highways and Environmental** - Councillors reported flooding in Wood lane due to blocked gullies. The clerk reported that Hodnet was now being looked after by the Central EM team and had asked for a schedule of gully cleaning so that Cllr could advise which needed doing urgently/more frequently. Councillors noted the damage to property in Marchamley and the poor and unsatisfactory finish to the work being undertaken on behalf of Severn Trent Water. Complaints lodged with STW. The Chairman is to meet with the Head of Infrastructure and Communities at Shropshire Council on 1st October to discuss a range of issues. **Cllrs were invited to let the Chairman know of any specific issues to be raised.** Cllr Karen Calder suggested including any infrastructure projects in the draft place plan.
11. **Street Lighting – Maintenance and/or Repairs** – Councillors noted H12 and H14 and asked the Clerk to explore the possibility of having the streetlights cleaned – **Clerk to action**
12. **Correspondence** – To enable the Council to discuss and determine responses to correspondence received:
 i. Webster's Lane – correspondence from the Environment Agency. Cllrs expressed concern at the issues raised by a partner organisation. It was agreed that a letter to both PCC and Police local command regarding reported parking and behaviour.
13. **Resignation of Cllr Steve Alden** – The Clerk advised that a public notice would be displayed in the Parish, on the Parish and Shropshire County websites. Electors had until October 4th to notify SC that they wish an election to be held.
14. **Parish Matters** – Councillors noted with disappointment that the proposed AED for Marchamley would be sited at the bus shelter, rather as recommended by the Council, at the Marchamley Club. Cllrs also noted with concern that there had been a considerable rise in the use of local food banks. It was agreed to send a letter of thanks to Cllr Steve Alden and a letter of condolence to the family of Dr Raichura. **Clerk to send drafts to Chairman.**

- 15. Website update** – The Clerk advised that a proposed revised website could be viewed and would send out the link for comments. **Clerk to action**
- 16. Revision to Financial Regulations** – The Clerk advised that revised national financial regulations had been circulated and would need looking at to establish if any changes were needed locally. **Clerk to action**
- 17. Agenda Items** – No items were identified for the next Parish Council meeting on **24th October 2019 at Wollerton Village Rooms**

Ian Cruise-Taylor
Parish Clerk

