

Minutes of the Full Council meeting held at Leonard Smith House, West Centre Way On Thursday 17th October 2019

PRESENT:

Cllr. Jayne Greenaway, Cllr Rob Parker, Cllr Lee Vidor, Cllr John Yorke

CLERK:

Sharon George, Clerk

IN ATTENDANCE

Judy Parker, Assistant Clerk

2019/088 CHAIR'S WELCOME

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

The Chairman asked that it be minuted that sincere thanks be passed to the Clerk & Asst. to Clerk for the work put into the Dedication Ceremony to make it a truly memorable occasion. All Members agreed that a sterling job had been completed.

2019/089 FINANCE

- a) Invoices were authorised for payment at the bank
- b) The Bank Reconciliations were reviewed and signed
- c) Grant Commitments -

There were originally 2 grants put forward for consideration, but the grant applied for by Dawley Baptist Church was outside the remit for a grant and amounted to capital funding. Rev Oliver will be invited to the November meeting to give Members fuller information on the project to be considered.

The other grant applied for by CAL-SIBZ, a charitable organisation, to support children and their siblings who are treated on the children's cancer ward at the PRH, was discussed and as this is a new charity, a start up grant of £500 was **PROPOSED** by Cllr Parker and **SECONDED** by Cllr Vidor and **ALL IN FAVOUR**. The recipients will be contacted, and payment made via BACS at the November meeting.

2019/090 APOLOGIES

Cllr Eileen Callear - Borough Commitment

Cllr Jacqui Seymour – Annual Leave

Cllr Shaun Davies - Borough Commitment

Cllr Amrik Jhawar- Borough Commitment

Cllr Raj Mehta- Borough Commitment

Cllr Mike Tyler – Personal Commitment

NB. Cllr Davies requested: Can I record my disappointment at this decision to hold the PC meeting, the Borough council EGM is on a subject of great concern to residents across the Borough and within our parish Council area.

Members noted Cllr Davies's remarks and agreed that as they had been advised that this would be a short meeting to accommodate the EGM, allowing all Borough members to attend at 6pm, that the decision to hold the meeting was valid as it would still be quorate without our 4 borough members to complete any outstanding items after 5.45pm.

APOLOGIES RECEIVED AND ACCEPTED

It was noted that apologies should be given in advance to the Clerk where possible and that any apologies are formally agreed by a vote taken at the meeting

2019/091 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor	Interest	Declaration	Minute no.
		NONE RECEIVED	

2019/092 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None present

2019/093 MINUTES

The minutes from the **Full Council meeting** held on **5**th **September 2019** were **APPROVED**. It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes be signed and **ADOPTED** as a true record. This was **PROPOSED** by Cllr. Parker and **SECONDED** by Cllr. Vidor. **All in Favour.**

Matters arising from that meeting:

ACTION: 2019/079 The Clerk will formally request an answer regarding the potential reduction of speed from 40mph to 30 mph on Lawley Drive

2019/084 Update: Nearby Councils contacted re possible joint event for a Prostrate Screening programme – the charitable organisation felt that by incorporating other Parishes would make the target area too large to manage. A discussion took place and it was PROPOSED by Cllr Parker and SECONDED by Cllr Vidor that this parish would fund a programme in June 2020 and that £4000 would be set aside as a budget to enable this.

ACTION: Asst to Clerk to contact the Prostrate Charity to inform them of the Council's decision and set a date for the diary – potentially 8/6/2020

NB Cllr Greenaway left the meeting at 5.40pm to attend the EGM at the Borough Council

2019/094 HIGHWAYS

Several items were discussed, and it was felt that a meeting with Highways would prove useful to address the following questions:

- Dawley Road scheme consultation outcome
- Local TRO's timetable for consultation?
- SIDS lamp posts & structural testing? Costs?
- Speed limit on Lawley Drive now a built-up area should be 30mph. Formal request to be submitted.
- Bellpit/Caledonian Way speeding formal letter to be sent after it being raised by Ward members
- 'Quick Fixes'

ACTION: Clerk to contact Highways Department and request a meeting to discuss the above plus receive any updates

2019/095 COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Clir Parker – reported that:

• He had met with an officer from Highways re Caledonian Way/Bellpit issues and agreed locations with TWC Highways for the placement of SID's. This will be dependent upon what the TRO consultation shows when it is forwarded for comments. The Clerk request an update as to the TRO schedule for consultation.

Cllr John Yorke – reported that:

 Raised that he was in contact with residents regarding the ongoing phase 11 development and parking issues on Concorde and the 'mess' on the roads from the movement of the spoil across the phases. The Clerk informed him that the developers are contacted regularly regarding the cleaning of the roads and that Cllr Greenaway had raised the issues directly at a strategic project group meeting on Wednesday.

2019/096 WARD MEMBERS REPORTS

Cllr. Jacqui Seymour

Had requested that a decision be made by Members regarding her offer of a contribution of £500 from her 2019/20 Ward Fund – it had been previously discussed that it would be used to assist with the costs for the path repair on the Village Green.

The Clerk will advise Cllr Seymour accordingly

2019/097 COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

a) Armistice Day Service

This was discussed and it was decided that following the negative feedback we received for holding the Dedication Ceremony on a Monday prohibiting a number of people who work from attending that we should hold a Community Remembrance on Sunday 10th November. The Clerks had investigated this with local Clergy but as there were several local

services in the morning then no-one was available to attend. After contacting the RBL we were advised that a non-religious service could be held at any time rather than the traditional 11am. It was therefore decided that a 'service' would be arranged for 1.30pm on the 10th November and arrangements would be shared with Members prior to publication.

b) War Memorial Update

The Clerk reported that a very successful Dedication Ceremony had taken place on 14th October that was enjoyed by invited guests and members of the Community. Very positive comments had been received from those who attended and on social media and there was positive coverage in the local press.

There are still areas of planting to be undertaken and land transfers to be finalised but the project can be deemed a success and all involved should be proud of this legacy for the future.

c) SID's

The SID's that we were experiencing problems with have been collected for repair/investigation and an update is awaited. It has been acknowledged that there is a technical issue with them, but testing is still ongoing.

In the meantime, we are obtaining information for newer, smaller devices that can be attached to lamp posts so are easier to move. An update will be given once costings are available.

ACTION: Obtain costings for mobile SID's.

2019/098 CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence received:

- Sad news received regarding a former Parish Councillor, Ken Rathbone, has passed away. The newer Councillors did not know Ken, but a couple had worked with him. He served the Parish well and was also involved with the Lawley Community Centre for several years and has lived in the village for 45 years and was well known in the Community. A donation from the Parish will be raised to his chosen charities as per our normal practice. The Clerk will find out details of the funeral and charities to benefit.
- Community Speed Watch information this is something which we have enquired about before as an additional tool to assist with the speed issues we have in the Parish. The Clerk will complete an application/interest form and await any feedback.
- Information received re the installation of a new pedestrian guardrail on West Centre Way and the central crossing refuge. This is good news as it has been requested for an extended period.
- Information received about the 75th anniversary celebrations of VE Day (8th 10th May 2020) and VJ Day (15th August 2020). The Clerk will register our interest in taking part In the celebrations.

Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960
In view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted it is requested that the public and press should not be present

2019/099 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Items were noted:

Pre – planning application

Staffing request – to be raised with Members for a Personnel meeting

2019/100 AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

- COMMUNITY USE AGREEMENT
- WARD FUNDING
- SID's
- PET /IDVERDE/QUARTERLEY REPORT
- GREEN GUARANTEE
- HIGHWAYS UPDATE
- CAPITAL FUNDING REQUEST DAWLEY BAPTIST CHURCH
- DECEMBER MEETING DATE

2019/101 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

t was NOTED that the FULL COUNCIL parish meeting would take place of	on THURSDAY 1	14 TH NOVEMBER	2019 at Leonar	d
Smith House, West Centre Way commencing at 6pm				

The meeting closed at 6.25pm		
Signed	Chair	Date