

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

PRESENT:

Cllr. Jayne Greenaway, Cllr Shaun Davies, Cllr Amrik Jhawar, Cllr Raj Mehta, Cllr Rob Parker, Cllr Lee Vidor, Cllr John Yorke

CLERK:

Sharon George, Clerk

IN ATTENDANCE

Judy Parker (Asst Clerk)

2019/118 CHAIR'S WELCOME

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2019/119 FINANCE

- a) Invoices were authorised for payment at the bank
- b) The Bank Reconciliations were reviewed and signed
- c) Capital application re Dawley Baptist Church-

A discussion took place regarding the application received for a £20,000 sum to support the planned extension of the Baptist Hall to enlarge kitchen & Community facilities. Guidance had been received from NALC regarding the 2017 Churchcare document, which suggests that councils can fund repairs to church property that would otherwise fall within the Local Government Act 1894 prohibitions. The NALC legal advice is that section 8 of the Local Government Act 1894 prohibits grants for works on property relating to the affairs of the church.

It seems that there is a grey area regarding the legal position of investment. Following a long discussion regarding practice and risk and observing due diligence, a **MOTION** was put forward by Cllr Davies that £20.000 be granted with conditions:

- To establish, in writing, that Dawley Baptist Church does not come under the Churchcare cover (If this cannot be confirmed, the Clerk will take back to Council)
- That it can be confirmed, in writing, that the project will establish Community rather than religious benefit

This was **SECONDED** by Cllr Mehta. A **VOTE** was taken on the motion and Cllr. Jayne Greenaway, Cllr Shaun Davies, Cllr Raj Mehta, Cllr Lee Vidor, Cllr John Yorke were in favour and Cllr Rob Parker abstained. The **MOTION** was carried. The Clerk will contact Rev. Oliver with the information/decision.

2019/120 APOLOGIES

Cllr Mike Tyler - NO APOLOGIES received - this was noted

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

2019/121 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor	Interest	Declaration	Minute no.
		NONE RECEIVED	

2019/122 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None present

2019/123 MINUTES

The minutes from the **Full Council meeting** held on **14**th **November 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. Yorke. **All in Favour.**

Matters arising from that meeting:

• Re 2019/111 Update: Highways: SID's-

The Clerk advised that she had submitted a bid for 50/50 funding for 2 x new SID's from the PCC so has not ordered anything to date. The costs for 1 device is £2657+VAT so this amount has been bid for. The Council decided that 1 x device should be ordered whilst awaiting the outcome of the bid early in 2020. This was **PROPOSED** by Cllr Parker and **SECONDED** by Cllr Mehta – a **VOTE** was taken and **ALL IN FAVOUR**. The Clerk will place the order with Morelock.

2019/124 COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Cllr Parker - nothing to report

Cllr John Yorke - reported that:

• He was still 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.

Cllr Raj Mehta - nothing to report

Cllr Amrik Jhawar - reported that:

- He had been contacted about speeding and parking on Damson Drive and asked that this be raised with Highways.
- The Clerk reported that she had been contacted by Highways for input into considerations for new TRO's on the Parish, she will submit Damson Drive along with-
- Glendale
- Bellpit
- Garfield Road
- Overdale
- Pepper Mill
- Dawley Road
- Village Drive
- Colliers Way
- Caledonian Way

Cllr Shaun Davies – nothing to report

Cllr Jayne Greenaway - nothing to report

Cllr Lee Vidor - reported that:

• He had been contacted about ASB in the shelter in the MUGA in the Village Green again – The Clerk will report to the SNT and ask for patrols to increase in that area

2019/125 WARD MEMBERS REPORTS

No Members present

NB: Cllr Mehta left the meeting at 7.15pm

2019/126 COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

a) Community Use Agreement

No further update other than a meeting is to be held on 6th January 2020 and the Clerk/Councillors will report back to Members

b) Councillors Pride Funding

Cllr Seymour has proposed £500 to be match funded by the parish for path works on the Village Green.

Cllr Greenaway has proposed £500 to be match funded by the parish for path works on the Village Green.

Cllr Boylan has proposed £800 for additional ground works/planting at the War Memorial site to be match funded by the parish.

Cllr Jhawar and Cllr Callear will both be supporting Newdale School for £500 each for Outdoor classroom resources and sports equipment.

We thank all Ward Members for their generous donations within the Parish

c) SID's

As reported in update to previous minutes

NB: Cllr Davies left the meeting at 7.30pm

2019/127 CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence received:

- Christmas cards received from Art Fabrications, Mayor Cllr Stephen Reynolds/Cllr Shaun Davies Leader of the Council, Thomas Telford School.
- Poppy appeal raised £9.17 in donations plus the £75 large poppies purchased
- Email received from resident requesting a dog park in Lawley. A discussion followed and as this has been raised many times before the Clerk will respond to the resident advising that there is no suitable location in the Parish for this to be considered.

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

2019/128 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Items were noted:

2019/129 AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

- COMMUNITY USE AGREEMENT
- LCC HIRE CHARGES/PAYMENTS
- DRAFT BUDGET 2020/2021
- STAFFING MATTERS

2019/130 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was <u>NOTED</u> that the <u>FULL COUNCIL</u> parish meeting would take place on <u>THURSDAY 16TH JANUARY</u> at <u>Leonard Smith</u> <u>House, West Centre Way commencing at 6pm</u>

The meeting closed at 8.50pm		
Signed	. Chair	Date