



**Minutes of the Full Council meeting held at Lawley Community Centre
On Thursday 12th March 2020**

PRESENT:

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

CLERK:

Sharon George

IN ATTENDANCE

Matt Lever (Admin Assistant)

2019/158 CHAIR'S WELCOME

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2019/159 FINANCE

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

2019/160 APOLOGIES

Cllr Shaun Davis – LGA Conference

Cllr Amrik Jhawar – Borough Commitments

Cllr Raj Mehta- Borough Commitments

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

2019/161 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor	Interest	Declaration	Minute no.
CLLR ROB PARKER	PERSONAL	CHAIR OF TTS ROAD SAFETY COMMITTEE	2019/166
CLLR JOHN YORKE	PERSONAL	MEMBER OF LVCA	2019/168

2019/162 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None present

2019/163 MINUTES

The minutes from the **Full Council meeting** held on **13th February 2020** were **APPROVED**. It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes be signed and **ADOPTED** as a true record. This was **PROPOSED** by Cllr Jayne Greenaway and **SECONDED** by Cllr. Parker. **All in Favour.**

2019/164 COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Cllr John Yorke – nothing to report.

Cllr Lee Vidor – reported that:

- He attended Gresham Drive NEAP meeting to discuss the possibilities/options for the planes play provision. TWC are looking at what equipment may be possible to put in place. Further information/meeting to follow
- He has become a director of Lawley Farm Management Company – residents were asked by current Management Company, Trinity Estates, to take more control over the management of fees and how they are spent.
- He has logged a concern regarding anon-working light beacon on a pedestrian crossing on Dawley Road. Raised a concern that the Parish Council should not pay for repairs owing to the poor quality of work that has been done there previously. The Clerk had also raised concerns with Highways that the Dawley Road scheme had not been

implemented to the expected standard and had advised that she would be bringing this matter to the attention of Councillors. A full discussion took place and it was **PROPOSED** by Cllr Vidor and **SECONDED** by Cllr Parker that no financial transactions would be paid until the works were completed to the required standard. **A VOTE** was taken and **ALL IN FAVOUR**.

Cllr Rob Parker – reported that:

- He delivered a talk to students at Thomas Telford School regarding road safety. There are problems with road safety in the area due to parking on both sides of the road. The crossing at the roundabout at the bottom of the road is unsafe too, with students having to cross at two locations to get to the Forge Retail Park. Cllr Parker suggests that a footpath on the opposite side of the road and a dedicated crossing would improve safety in the area, and students are asking for support for this to be put in place.
- The footpath leading from Thomas Telford, leading past the Land Registry Office and the back of the Bridge Retail Park is poorly lit and unsafe. Cllr Greenaway highlighted that this is private land.
- He also requested a SID is placed on Caledonian way as soon as possible to monitor the speed of traffic

Cllr Mike Tyler - reported that:

- He had been contacted by a resident regarding the youth shelter behind Monastery Close; anti-social behaviour including drug consumption has been noted there multiple times. A discussion was had about the feasibility of removing the shelter, but this is unlikely. Cllr Tyler recommended that improved lighting in the shelter might discourage anti-social behaviour. He will also recommend to residents to report any such behaviour to the police so that they can act upon it.
- There is a lack of dog waste bins in Lawley, and the few that do exist have not been emptied regularly. The Clerk advised that this has been brought to the attention of the developers to install bins across the new phases, but discussions are continuing as to the ongoing maintenance/emptying which would be undertaken by TWC.
- The path from Woodland View is extremely muddy. It is not a properly surfaced road, and is unlikely to become one, but placing down new gravel would improve the surface.

Cllr Jayne Greenaway – reported that:

- She has had meetings regarding flooding in Phase 11, Lawley. There have been three incidents of flooding, each on a Sunday corresponding to storms. Developers are responsible for cleaning the area and attempts of varying levels of success have been made to do so. The path by the new memorial is also extremely wet, and this may be related. The issue has been raised at a meeting with planning officers and residents. There appears to be a major issue with the main culvert; a survey of the culvert is due to be carried out some time after 18th March – weather dependant.
- She has been asked to report several incidents of anti-social behaviour in the parish to the police. It would be useful to meet with the Police Community Support Officers. The Clerk will pass on contact details for Cllr Greenaway to contact the SNT directly.

ACTION: The Clerk will pass on contact details for Cllr Greenaway to contact the SNT directly.

2019/165 WARD MEMBERS SESSION

Councillor Greenaway – reported that there is to be a meeting held with the Ladygrove residents/MP and representative from Homes England regarding land ownership.

2019/166 COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

a) Community Speed Watch update

Cllr Vidor met with Mark Booth from West Mercia Police and highlighted three or four sites where residents can safely stand with speed guns, including several inactive bus stops. Cllr Vidor will contact residents to confirm dates and times for training. A discussion was had regarding rolling the scheme out across a wider area, though issues regarding volunteer recruitment were highlighted. Cllr Greenaway asked for it to be noted in the minutes that the Making Lawley Roads Safer group has done an excellent job in pursuing the improvements and to be a part of the Community Speed Watch programme.

b) Speed Indicator Devices (SID)

Clerk reported that the Council has been successful in acquiring funding of £2,800 for an additional SID, bringing the total of new devices up to two. These devices are more modern and easier to set up than the existing devices. Council staff will investigate setting them up for use.

c) Taxi tinted windows consultation

Cllr Greenaway noted that numerous taxis in the parish are now fitted with windows sufficiently tinted as to obscure the view of passengers from outside, which represents a safety risk. A discussion was had about Telford & Wrekin Council's licencing requirements, but it was noted that many taxis operating in Telford are registered in Shropshire and Wolverhampton. Telford & Wrekin Council has been asked why taxis operating in these areas aren't enforcing the tinting restrictions. When undertaking spot checks and why taxis operating within the Borough area are going outside the boundaries to obtain their licences. Also questioned was the licensing criteria applied by Wolverhampton and Shropshire authorities compared to TWC – maybe their criteria are not as stringent? The clerk will submit a Parish response to the Taxi Consultation.

ACTION: Clerk to submit Parish response to Taxi Consultation

2019/167 CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence received:

- Clerk has received an email regarding a tree which has been cut down by a footpath on Lawley Green by a T&W representative. They intend to remove the tree roots before repairing the adjacent path. A discussion was had regarding who should pay for the work. It was noted that the work must be completed before Lawley Fest. Cllr Parker proposed that more trees should be planted around the parish, and Cllr Tyler agreed.
- Clerk informed the Council that the charity chosen for the 2020 Fun Run is the Christmas Smile Project. Clerk asked if councillors were in support of adopting this as the Council's chosen charity for year 2020 – 2021. All in favour.
- Clerk informed the Council that the temporary TPO on a tree in phase 11 has now been made permanent.
- Clerk reported the quotes on pricing for new staff first aid training. Council agreed provisionally to the £60 per person quote.
- Clerk informed the Council of the proposals for the redesign and reorganisation of the Parish Council' website.
- Clerk informed the council that a letter had been received from two young residents asking the Council about the placement of a fresh milk dispenser somewhere in the parish. A discussion was had regarding the difficulty of finding a suitable location. Cllr Greenaway will contact the residents to discuss the issue with them.
- Cllr Vidor asked about the feasibility of the Council offering a grant to a young individual raising money for charity. It was noted that the Council's grant allocation rules currently do not allow for grants to be awarded to individuals.

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

2019/168 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Items were noted

2019/169 AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

- COMMUNITY FACILITIES
- GRANT CONSIDERATIONS

2019/170 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was **NOTED** that the **FULL COUNCIL** parish meeting would take place on **THURSDAY 9th APRIL at LAWLEY COMMUNITY CENTRE commencing at 6pm**

The meeting closed at 8.20pm

Signed..... Chair

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