

## WALL PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Meeting of Wall Parish Council held on Tuesday 21 March 2018 at 7:30 pm at Wall Village Hall

**Present:** Cllr M J Crowe (Chairman) and Cllrs R Barker, J Linney, C Rubisch, A Ryman, P Sampson, R Saxton.

**In attendance:** Peter Young, Clerk.

**Apologies:** None – all members present.

#### **81. Declarations of Interest and Dispensations:**

Cllr A Ryman declared an interest in item Planning Application L.17/02/823 W and took no part in the discussion and voting thereon. Cllr R Barker declared an interest in item Planning Application 18/00354/FUL and took no part in the discussion and voting thereon.

#### **82. Minutes**

**Resolved: that the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 23 January 2018 as circulated with the agenda be approved and signed as a correct record.**

**83. Matters Arising on the Minutes:** None

**84. Policing Matters:** The PCSO had sent apologies as she was unable to attend but had asked for any matters requiring attention. It was agreed that the increasing number of fly-tipping instances in the Parish be reported.

**85. Public Session:** No public present.

#### **86. District and County Councillors' Reports:**

None present, but County Cllr David Smith and District Cllr Doug Pullen had sent apologies.

#### **87. Reports from Chairman, Councillors and Clerk (including correspondence received)**

- a. The Clerk reported receipt of a letter of thanks from Denise Youngs for the Council's good wishes. He also reported on his attendance at the Parish Forum meeting on 7 March.
- b. The Chairman reported on the termination of the 35b Saturday service from the village due to SCC budget cuts of subsidised services.
- c. Cllr A Ryman reported on the need for the white lines on Wall Island to be repainted. **Action:** Clerk to pursue with Highways England.
- d. Cllr P Sampson reported on the loss of income to the Village Hall when the Community Payback Team was operating in the Village on Sundays, because their use of the Hall toilet facilities meant that other bookings of the Hall could not be accommodated. It was agreed that possible financial assistance from the Council be considered at the next Council meeting in May.

#### **88. Highways & Open Spaces**

- a. **Churchyard Maintenance:** Members considered a request from Wall PCC for an additional grant for the cost of felling a diseased copper beech tree.  
**Resolved: To make a grant of £650 to meet the cost of felling the tree.**
- b. **Footpaths and verge maintenance:** The Clerk reported on receipt of tenders for the Highway verge mowing contract for 2018 (with option to renew). Four tenders had been invited and three received. The contract had been awarded to the lowest tenderer, SJL Landscapes.
- c. **Community Payback Team:** This was now operating again, based from Tamworth.
- d. **Parking in Vicinity of Wall Village Hall:** Members thanked the PCSO for her assistance with the problem of vehicles parking on the white lines in front of the Hall, which seemed to have resolved the problem.
- e. **Best Kept Village:** Members discussed the BKV entry and agreed measures for maintenance, improvement, and publicity required to assist in the Council's entry to the 2018 competition.

**89. Planning Applications:**

- i) **L.17/02/823 W Greener Composting, Watling Street** Application to amend Conditions 1 and 21 (d) of planning permission L.17/02/823W to allow the operator to receive waste direct from Local Authority refuse collection vehicles (RCV's) on a public and bank holiday. **No objections**
- ii) **17/01191/OUFMEI Deanslade Park 475 dwellings, etc** Amended details - Wall Island Modelling Assessment. Members noted the proposed dumbbell layout. It was considered that this would improve flows northbound onto the A5127 and make it safer for queuing vehicles but there were concerns that the proposed additional traffic lights would not improve flows.
- iii) **18/00354/FUL Barn west of Grange Farm Bungalow, Ashcroft Lane, Wall** Removal of condition 3 of application 15/01063/PND. **No objections.**
- iv) **18/00374/FUL Lichfield House, Roman Walk, Wall** Single storey extension to front to form porch under existing roof, single storey extension to rear to form workshop. **No objections.**

**Decisions on previous applications:** The following were noted:

18/00008/COU Change of use from agricultural building to form mausoleum. WITHDRAWN 5/3/18  
18/00123/COU Change of use from agricultural building to form mausoleum. WITHDRAWN 5/3/18  
*Wall Parish Council had submitted objections to both these applications.*

**90. Speed Watch Sign**

It was noted that County Cllr David Smith was proposing to provide funding to supplement the number of speed signs for sharing between parishes in his Division. The matter would be further discussed at the Action Staffordshire meeting on 9 April. Members stated that it was important to ensure that the sign met Wall Parish Council's own requirements.

**91. Light for Car Park**

A quotation had been obtained for a solar-powered light and new post for the car park. It was noted that it would take many years to recover the installation cost when set against the running costs of the existing mains-powered light, and that the solar powered unit would provide less light. It was therefore agreed to pursue the option of re-fixing the existing column (which was loose) and providing a protective barrier around it, and then consider fitting a solar-powered unit onto the existing column at a later date.

**92. Accounts for Payment and bank reconciliation:**

- a. Members noted the receipts and payments schedule and bank reconciliation at 28 February 2018.
- b. **Resolved: payment of the following accounts:**

Date Paid	Chq	Payee	Details	TOTAL
21/03/2018	731	P Sampson – reimbursement	Petrol + oil for strimmer (replace lost chq 721)	25.00
21/03/2018	732	SPCA	Membership (1 year from 1/4/18)	152.00
21/03/2018	733	P Young Total £471.37	Net Salary Feb/March 2018 + expenses	427.28
			Argos A3 Laminator	29.99
			Amazon UK 25xA3 + 100xA4 laminator pouches	14.10
21/03/2018	734	HMRC	PAYE on salary	93.20
21/03/2018	735	M J Crowe - reimbursement Total £78.94	Website domain name w.e.f. 1/4/18	24.00
			Website hosting Spanglefish	29.95
			Kaspersky anti-virus	24.99
21/03/2018	736	Wall Village Hall	Room Hire 21/3/18 + 13/3/18	27.00
23/03/2018	737	Wall PCC	Churchyard grant - remove diseased tree	650.00

**93. Date of next Meeting:** Wednesday 16 May 2018, 7:30pm, at Wall Village Hall. This would be preceded by the Annual Parish Meeting at 7.00pm.

***There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 9:30pm***

Chairman: .....

Date: .....