

WALL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Wall Parish Council held on Wednesday 18 July 2018 at 7:30 pm at Wall Village Hall

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

In Attendance: County Cllr D Smith, District Cllr D Salter (District Council Shenstone Ward and Chairman Shenstone Parish Council) and Peter Young (Clerk).

Apologies: Cllr J Linney (apologies accepted).

22. Declarations of Interest

Cllrs A Ryman applied for and was granted a dispensation permitting him to speak and vote on any matters concerning the Wall Conservation Area and Appraisal on which he would otherwise have a Disclosable Interest under the Council's Code of Conduct. The Dispensation to apply until the Annual Meeting of Council in May 2019.

23. Minutes

Minutes of the Council meeting held on 16 May 2018 as circulated with the agenda were approved and signed as a correct record.

24. Matters Arising on the Minutes:

Cllr Ryman queried the decision in Minute 11d to meet the cost of Hall Hire on Sundays for the Community Payback team's welfare facilities, which also meant the hall was unavailable for other hire. In response it was stated that the value of the Payback team work to the village was greater than the cost of the hire and that enquiries would be made as to whether the church hall could be used by the Payback team on those occasions when there was a request by another hirer to use the Village Hall.

25. Speed Watch Sign

County Cllr D Smith outlined a proposal that, in addition to the Speed Sign to be purchased by Wall Parish Council from its Safer Communities grant, additional signs be purchased for use by surrounding villages. A local contractor would arrange the relocation of the signs on a rota basis for maximum effectiveness. He would allocate money from his County Councillor's fund to the proposal, with payment made to the Parish Council so that the signs could be purchased, and the scheme administered by the Council. This was agreed. It was pointed out that the Parish Council needed to purchase its sign very soon to meet the funding conditions of its grant, and so would require details of a make of sign which would meet with approval from SCC and the Police. It was also important that the fixing points for the signs were compatible with the existing sign locations in Stonnall. Four locations had been suggested for Wall Parish, and the Clerk would shortly meet with SCC highways to agree these locations.

26. Annual Parish Meeting

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held 16 May 2018, as circulated with the agenda, were noted.

27. Policing Matters: No officers present and no items raised.

28. Public Session: No members of the public present.

29. District and County Councillors' Reports:

County Cllr D Smith and District Cllr D Salter (District Council Shenstone Ward and Chairman Shenstone Parish Council) reported on various matters including:

- a. Charging policy for Shenstone railway station car park
- b. Repainting of white lines at Wall Island (now likely in 2019/20)
- c. The Deanslade Planning application approval without any mitigation works at Wall Island
- d. Removal of the Saturday bus service through Wall
- e. Revisions to the Wall Conservation Area Management Plan.

- 30. Reports from Chairman, Councillors and Clerk:** The Clerk reported:
- Receipt of publicity for SPACE, children’s summer activity programme.
 - SPCA councillor training course 11 September.
 - Temporary Road Closure notice, Hall Lane, Muckley Corner on 22 August.

31. Highways & Open Spaces

- Abandoned Car Wall Car Park: The Clerk reported on actions taken by the PCSO. It was noted that, if requested by the Parish Council, LDC could introduce a 24-hour maximum parking period with civil parking fines for breaches, but this would require erection of signs to this effect. It was agreed to monitor the situation until the September meeting to see if the issue with this particular car could be resolved.
- Learner Drivers: The Clerk read a letter from the Lichfield Driving Test Centre that the Wall car park was no longer on the test route, and that a notice had been posted in the Test Centre that driving instructors should refrain from using the car park for practice purposes.
- Best Kept Village Competition: Judges had visited. The Chairman and Vice Chairman would attend the results and awards ceremony in Gnosall on 6 August.
- Community Payback Team: Various projects were being progressed.
- Green Lane: Flail cutting of the Lane to be undertaken.

32. Car Park Light

It was agreed to erect a solar powered light on a separate pole. Once this was completed satisfactorily the supply to the existing column would be disconnected (Western Power £519.16) and the column removed (Derryford Electrical £120). It was also agreed to install a new LED light with associated works to the former phone booth (Derryford Electrical £155).

33. Planning Applications:

- New applications**
 - 18/01006/COU Grange Farm, Ashcroft Lane, Wall** - Partial demolition of barn, change of use of ancillary accommodation to form an independent two-bedroom dwelling, parking and amenity area. **Resolved: No objections.**
 - 18/01050/FUL The Bungalow, Grange Farm, Ashcroft Lane, Wall** - Erection of single storey extension to form lounge, kitchen, breakfast area, entrance hall and porch. **Resolved: An innovative development but concerns as to whether it complied with Green Belt policy.**
- Comments on applications submitted between meetings**
18/00916/PND Little Oaks Farm, Boat Lane, Muckley Corner. Prior Notification: Change of use from agricultural building to form 3 residential dwellings. Comment submitted: **No objections.**
- Decisions on previous applications:** The following were noted:

| Ref | Address | Details | Wall PC Comment | Decision |
|------------------------------|--|--|---|----------------------------------|
| L.17/02/823 W | Greener Composting, Watling St, Wall | Application not to comply with Conditions 1 and 21 (d) of permission L.17/02/823 W | No objections | Approved 12/06/2018 |
| 17/01191/OUF MEI | Deanslade Park Project Land South of Falkland Road | 475 dwellings, access onto Claypit Lane and Birmingham Rd, up to 16.55 ha of country park, footpaths, etc. | Detailed objections concerning the highway impact on Wall Island and Claypit Lane | Approved 02/08/2018 subject s106 |
| 18/00354/FUL | Barn, Grange Farm Bungalow, Ashcroft Ln | Removal of condition 3 of application 15/01063/PND | No objections | Approved 18/05/2018 |
| 18/00374/FUL | Lichfield House, Roman Walk | Single storey extension to front to form porch under existing roof, single storey workshop extension to rear | No objections | Approved 14/05/2018 |
| 18/00286/FUL 18/00287/LBC | Spire Oak Barn, Grange Lane, Pipehill | Installation of replacement boiler, including replacement of gas pipe and fitting of new flue | No objections | Approved 22/05/2018 |

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| 18/00434/FUL | Barn Farm, Cranebrook Lane | Refurbishment of store, including raising height of rafters etc | No objections | Approved 11/06/2018 |
| 18/00692/FUL | Wall Hall, Green Lane, Wall | Erection of detached garden room | No objections provided no precedent for a permanent building which could be used for a dwelling. | Refused 05/07/2018 |

34. Grant Application – Concert at St John’s Church, Wall

Members considered a grant request from St John’s Church, Wall, towards the costs of the Watershed Singers’ concert on 23 June. It was noted that this request had arrived too late to be included on the agenda for the Council meeting on 16 May.

Resolved: That no grant be made on this occasion.

35. Accounts for Payment

The bank reconciliation at 30 April 2018 was noted and **Resolved: payment of the following:**

| Date Paid | Chq | Payee | Details | TOTAL |
|------------|-----|---|--|--------|
| 06/06/2018 | 741 | SJL Landscapes | Mowing May Invoice 2883 | 144.00 |
| 11/06/2018 | 742 | P Sampson Reimburse Total £217.48 | eBay - Laser cut letters + screws | 36.00 |
| | | | eBay - 12 No fence spikes | 83.88 |
| | | | eBay - 16 No pyramid caps | 97.60 |
| 13/06/2018 | 743 | Morgan Garden Services | Remove leaves/debris, clear drains etc. | 200.00 |
| 22/06/2018 | 744 | Wall Village Hall | Room Hire 16/5/18 Council + APM | 27.00 |
| 18/07/2018 | 753 | Wall Village Hall Total £198.00 | Use by Payback Team 20/3/18 to 15/7/18 | 180.00 |
| | | | Room Hire 18/7/18 Council | 18.00 |
| 18/07/2018 | 754 | SJL Landscapes | Invoice 2904 (2 cuts) | 288.00 |
| 18/07/2018 | 755 | P Sampson Reimburse | 2 No leaf and debris collectors | 12.30 |
| 18/07/2018 | 756 | Npower | H3120001 1/4/18 to 25/5/18 | 20.59 |
| 18/07/2018 | 757 | P Young Total £480.35 | Net Salary June/July + expenses | 429.59 |
| | | | Files, dividers, stapler, Microsoft Office (25%) | £50.76 |
| 18/07/2018 | 758 | HMRC | PAYE on salary | 95.00 |
| 18/07/2018 | 759 | C Rubisch | Reimburse fuel for brush cutter | 10.00 |

36. Cover for Clerk’s absence - Spring 2019

It was noted that the Clerk would be absent for a period in Spring 2019. He would still be available to attend all the scheduled council meetings, but it would be advisable to arrange temporary cover during his absence. The Clerk to an adjoining parish council was willing to provide this.

Resolved: That the Council agree that the Clerk take unpaid leave in February 2019 and that an equivalent amount to his salary be paid to arrange temporary cover during his absence.

37. Dates of Next Meetings:

Wed 19 Sept 2018

Wed 21 Nov 2018

Wed 9 Jan 2019 [previously 16 Jan]

Wed 20 March 2019

Thursday 2 May 2019 District and Parish Elections

Wed 15 May 2019 (Annual Council Meeting).

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 9:45 pm

Chairman:

Date: