

Hardwicke Parish Council

Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday March 5th 2018

Present

Cllr John Perkin (Chair)

Cllr Fran Welbourne

Cllr Theresa Harrison

Cllr Lyn Welbourne

Cllr Kevin Marsden

Cllr Demelza Turner-Wilkes

Cllr Darren Morris

In attendance

District Councillor Gill Oxley, County Councillor Stephen Davies and Kevin Lee, Clerk

26/18 Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllrs Graham Brearley, Jill Brearley and Mark Ryder and District Councillor David Mossman

27/18 Declarations of Interest

None

28/18 Public Consultation

There was none

29/18 Minutes of Previous Meetings

Resolved; to approve the Minutes of the Meetings held on February 5th and February 26th

30/18 County Councillor and District Councillor Reports

County Cllr Stephen Davies reported on the County Council's budget for 2018/19. The Council had approved an increase in expenditure on adult care and children's services. Overall there would be a 4.5% increase in Council Tax.

County Cllrs had been allocated a budget of £30,000 for highways works in their division and the Parish Council was invited to identify particular projects.

District Councillor Gill Oxley gave an update of the planning application for Bellway Homes at Hunts Grove. Stroud District Council had approved a £2m loan for the redevelopment of Merrywalks Centre Stroud.

Resolved; to note the reports

31/18 Finance Report

The Clerk presented the finance report and list of payments

Resolved; to approve the report and payments schedule

32/18 Planning Applications

The Parish Council considered its response to the following applications;

- S.18/0449/HHOLD 12, Elmgrove Road East Hardwicke Gloucester GL2 4PY - Erection of a two and single storey rear extension to rear and single storey front extension porch.

Resolved to raise no objections

- Application S.17/2642/REM - Reserved matters submission pursuant to Condition 1 of permission S.09/1692/VAR o Additional documents submitted to support the original submission of reserved matters pursuant to application S09/1692/VAR in Haresfield Parish

Resolved to forward the observations to SDC Planning requesting that the issues identified are corrected, addressed or mitigated as appropriate before the Planning Authority takes a decision

- S.18/0226/VAR – Gateway 12 Business Park Davy Way Hardwicke Gloucester GL2 2BY - Variation of condition 8 - Travel Plan from Planning Application S.17/1976/FUL for B1(c), B2 and B8 employment uses

Resolved to support the application with a request that the Planning Authority requires the identified discrepancy be corrected

33/18 Section 106 Projects

The Council discussed the presentation from Hardwicke Rangers Football Club and the clubs proposals for improved facilities and community work. Members considered what level of support could be provided through S 106 funding. The Clerk advised that the total sum available from S106, which was held by Stroud District Council was around £75,000. Any proposed projects would require the support of the district council and would need to meet the criteria set out within the S 106 agreement of providing youth and adult recreation. Members noted the requirement to support the age groups identified and felt that projects should be equally supported and agreed to a sum of £35,000 being set aside to support the football club, the remainder to be used for adult recreation projects. It was also agreed that the club be urged to use sports facilities based within Hardwicke.

Resolved; Subject to approval by Stroud District Council, to support the football club building project with a sum of £35,000 from Section 106 funding and to urge the club to utilise sports facilities within the Hardwicke Parish

34/18 Parish Councillor and Lead Member Reports

Cllr Darren Morris reported that contractors were now following the allowed site working times and the situation would be monitored.

Cllr Kevin Marsden asked for a progress report on using social media to broaden the communication with residents. He noted that work was still to be completed on reports for the open spaces and requirements log. The previous motion on working policies could be withdrawn as this was being pursued under the Local Council Award Scheme. Cllr Marsden noted that work need to be undertaken on the Council's Emergency Planning and identifying vulnerable groups.

Cllr Demelza Turner-Wilkes reported that there had been issues of dog fouling in a number of areas in Hunts Grove. The Clerk agreed to speak to the dog warden to ask for assistance.

The Chair, Cllr John Perkin noted that the footpath from Green lane across the first field was badly overgrown and needed to be cut back.

Resolved; to note the reports and undertake actions as appropriate

35/18 Grass Cutting Contract

The Clerk presented the quote for grass cutting of the field and the areas in Green Lane.

Resolved to approve the contract for 2018/19

Meeting closed at 20.30

Signed

Chair

Date.