

Hardwicke Parish Council

Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday October 1st 2018

Present

Cllr John Perkin (Chair)

Cllr Graham Brearley

Cllr Anthony Doyle

Cllr Mark Ryder

Cllr Darren Morris

Cllr Denise Powell

Cllr Jill Brearley

Cllr Demelza Turner-Wilkes

In attendance

District Councillors Gill Oxley, and David Mossman, Mick Gallavan from Wales and West Utilities, four members of the public and Kevin Lee, Clerk

91/18 Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllrs Fran Welbourne, Lyn Welbourne and Kevin Marsden and from County Councillor Stephen Davies

92/18 Declarations of Interest

There were none

93/18 Public Consultation

Mr Gallavan from Wales and West Utilities gave a summary of the gas main work currently being undertaken in Green Lane, Church Lane and Sellars Road. The programmed work was part of a national programme to replace the existing iron gas main with plastic. The programme includes laying 8km of pipework with a completion rate of 160m per week. The target was to commence work on the A38 from the 15th October.

Some of the work may necessitate entry onto residential properties to ensure continued services. Residents would be advised and the work discussed and arranged with them.

A resident from Hunts Grove raised a question about the proposed spine road and entry onto the A38, B4008 and the Cross Keys Roundabout. There were concerns about the volume of traffic that would use the Old bath Road. It appeared that the recently held exhibition did not fully answer resident's questions. District Councillor David Mossman noted that the original plans had been amended to take account of the additional 750 houses planned for Hunts Grove. This was in addition to the original plan for 1750 homes. It was noted that the provision of traffic lights at Cross Keys was still an option for the future.

94/18 Minutes of Previous Meeting

Resolved to approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on September 3rd 2018

95/18 County Councillor and District Councillor Reports

Cllr David Mossman gave an update on the progress of the district council's review of its local plan. There had been a projected uplift of 40% housing need for the whole of the district by 2040. At this stage of the review there had been no identification of additional sites for Hardwicke.

Cllr Mossman reported that the additional air monitoring equipment for the EFW would be in position at Hardwicke and Haresfield Village Halls by mid-October

Cllr Gill Oxley reported on a meeting with the Neighbourhood Warden with an agreed leaflet being prepared for distribution to residents at Hunts Grove. A further meeting held been held with Moreton Valence Parish Council and agreement had been reached to submit a grant bid to the Police commissioner for a CCTV camera that would be shared with Hardwicke.

Resolved; to note the reports

96/18 Planning Applications

The Parish Council considered its response to the following applications;

S.18/1913/HHOLD 19 Oak Tree Close

Resolved; to accept the specialist EHO advice in respect of re-location of any wildlife

S.18/1952/VAR Space Centre, Bristol Road Hardwicke

Resolved; to support the revisions subject to retaining 8.00 am weekday opening times

S.18/2010/GDPE 11 the Plantation

Resolved; to raise no objections

S.18/1947/OUT Land at Quadrant Distribution Centre, 160 Dwellings

It was noted that the application was being referred to the district council's DCC. The Parish Council would submit its response for the committee meeting.

97/18 Maintenance of Pond

The Clerk presented a quote for works to the pond to clear away the debris and to cut back the willows to allow more light. The work was to be carried out by TCV, the charity that had previously undertaken work.

Resolved; to approve the work with a start date of November 1st

98/18 Finance Report

The Clerk presented the report for the period ending September 30th 2018 and the list of monthly payments. The report from the external auditors was also presented. The audit

reports stated that the parish council's accounts and procedures were all in order and approved.

Resolved; to approve the reports and to note the report from the external auditors

99/18 Maintenance and improvement to Play Areas

The Clerk presented quotes for the following work at the two play areas;

Planation- To replace the existing wet-pour surface with a new surface and to install a small basket swing and new spinning bowl roundabout.

Elmgrove – To remove the trapeze bars from the multi play unit and install a 'ravine bridge' with a slide at the end of the bridge. To remove the concrete edging from the wet-pour surface and apply new wet-pour to chamfer the edging into the grass.

Three companies had been invited to quote for the work on both play areas, two had provided quotes.

Resolved to award the contract for the work at the Planation to GB Sports and Leisure and for the work at Elmgrove to award the contract to Morti Sport

100/18 Parish Councillors Reports

Cllr Mark Ryder gave an update on the planning groups meeting with John Longmuir of SDC some answers to questions were being provided and it was agreed to hold bi-monthly meetings. During the meeting it had been confirmed that the Parish Council's NDP carried equal status as the District Council's Local Plan.

A meeting with the Area Highways Manager had confirmed that the concrete used within the B4008 flyover had been checked had not been found to be faulty.

Cllr Denise Powell reported on the meeting held with Fr Andrew as part of the process to being approved as a school governor at Hardwicke School.

Cllr Darren Morris gave an update on the ongoing meetings with DPD in respect of complaints about noise, bad language and inappropriate driving.

101/18 SDC Governance Review

The consultation from the district council would run until November 26th 2018. It was agreed to hold a business meeting on October 15th to consider the review and to prepare a final response for consideration at the meeting of the parish council on November 5th

Meeting closed at 21.05

Signed

Chair

Date