

Penkridge Parish Council

Haling Dene Centre
Cannock Road
Penkridge
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2nd April 2015

To: Members of Penkridge Parish Council

Dear Sir/Madam

I write to invite you to attend a meeting of Penkridge Parish Council to be held on **Thursday 9th April 2015 at 7.30 pm** in Room 1 of the Haling Dene Centre. Please note that prayers will be led by the Rev Sheila Finn at 7.25 pm prior to the commencement of the meeting.

Yours faithfully
Lesley Griffiths
Parish Administrator

AGENDA

Part I - Public Session

1. APOLOGIES
2. PERSONALIA AND EVENTS
3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
4. DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST (DPI)
To receive and consider any DPI requests.
5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
6. POLICE MATTERS
To receive a police report if available.
7. MINUTES
To approve the minutes of the meeting of 12th March 2015.
8. COMMITTEE MINUTES
To note the minutes of the:-
[a] Planning meetings of 12th March and 26th March 2015
[b] Annual Parish Meeting of 19th March 2015
[c] Recreation and Amenities Committee Meeting of 26th March 2015
9. WORKING GROUP MINUTES
To note there have been no minutes received.
10. OUTSIDE GROUPS WITH PC REPRESENTATION
To note there have been no minutes received.
11. ACCOUNTS
To note the accounts for payment and the expenditure summary printouts for the month of March 2015 will be included on May 2015 Agenda due to end of year close down.

12. HALING DENE WORKING GROUP
To receive a plan of the above Group's proposals with regard to how the Haling Dene Centre could be marketed to increase footfall and income into the building.
13. AFFORDABLE RURAL HOUSING
Further to a presentation at the November 2014 Full Council meeting by SSC and SSHA with regard to the above, the Council are now to consider if they wish to go ahead with the initial stages of the process.
14. BURIAL GROUND LAUREL HEDGE
To receive and consider a quotation from Brocton Nurseries, the Council's new Horticultural Contractors, to supply and install laurel for the above at a cost of £887.50.
15. PENKRIDGE LIBRARY
To note that a site visit has been arranged for the above on Tuesday 14th April at 6.30 pm.
16. GRANTS AND DONATIONS
To consider a grant application from Penkrige Round Table who request a grant towards room hire cost at the Haling Dene Centre.
17. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING
Thursday 14th May 2015 at 7.30 pm.
18. Local Government Act 1972 - Exclusion of Press and Public - to resolve that the Press and Public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items of business on the grounds that they are likely to involve the disclosure of exempt information as defined in the appropriate paragraph(s) Section 1[2] Public Bodies/Admission to meetings Act 1960.

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Minutes of the Penkridge Parish Council Meeting held
On 9th April 2015 at 7.30 pm at the Haling Dene Centre

PRESENT

Councillor	Mrs Anne J Geoghegan [Vice-Chairman]
"	Bevan Craddock
"	Mrs Isabel G A Ford
"	Gordon Hawkins
"	Mrs Petula M C Hughes
"	Anthony Minshall
"	David Oldfield
"	Mrs Vivienne Smith
Minutes	Mrs L Griffiths

In the absence of the Chairman the Vice Chairman chaired the meeting

There were four members of the Public in attendance

Part I - Public Session

3029. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllrs Eastwood, Jones, Kelly and Stonehouse.

3030. PERSONALIA AND EVENTS

As per the sheet attached to the official copy of the Minutes.

3031. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest.

3032. DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST (DPI)

There had been no DPI requests received.

3033. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

As per the sheet attached to the official copy of the Minutes.

3034. POLICE MATTERS

PCSO Andy Poxon forwarded his apologies and submitted the Police report for the previous month.

3035. MINUTES

Resolved that:

The Minutes of the meetings held on the 12th March be confirmed and signed as a true and correct record.

3036. COMMITTEE MINUTES

Resolved that the minutes were noted of the:-

[a] Planning meetings of 12th March and 26th March 2015

[b] Annual Parish Meeting of 19th March 2015

[c] Recreation and Amenities Meeting of 26th March 2015

3037. WORKING GROUP MINUTES

It was noted that there had been no minutes received.

3038. OUTSIDE GROUPS WITH PC REPRESENTATION

It was noted that there had been no minutes received.

3039. ACCOUNTS

It was noted that the accounts for payment and the expenditure summary printouts for the month of March 2015 would be included on May 2015 Agenda due to end of year close down.

3040. HALING DENE WORKING GROUP

Cllr Mrs Hughes gave a verbal update on the Group's proposals further to their meetings with regard to how the Haling Dene Centre could be marketed to increase footfall and income into the building.

She said that they had booked two food demonstrations to be held in both May and September and the tickets for the May event were on sale at a cost of £3.00 each. Posters would shortly be displayed to advertise the events.

The Group had spoken to a gentleman who organises Antique Fayres and was prepared to trial the event at the Centre on the second Sunday of each month for a five month period. The Caretaker would be required to open the building at 6.30 am and lock it back up at 4.00 pm. The organisers would set the rooms up as required and the Fayres would be held between 10.00 am – 3.00 pm. The rooms required would be 1, 16, Bar Area and Kitchen. The organiser would charge a £1.00 each entry fee and would be prepared to pay £220 per event towards the total cost.

The PA advised that the amount offered for room hire was no sufficient to cover the full cost and as the organiser was a business the full cost of the event should not be subsidised by the Parishioners' money.

Cllr Oldfield proposed that this item be taken back to the next Haling Dene Management meeting when more detail and costs could be obtained.

Cllr Mrs Hughes said the Working Group had proposed to place a two page advert in the May edition of the Penkrige Advertiser promoting the Haling Dene and advertising up on coming events, regular users and proposed to use photographs of events already held at the Centre. She said the PA had suggested postponing the advert until the June edition. For this the rooms could be dressed for Wedding Ceremonies, Function and room hire and a professional photographer take photographs. These could be used for both the advert and website. To have a four page advert in the Penkrige Advertiser would cost £570.

A proposal was put forward and seconded that Council wait until the June edition and have a four page advert at a cost of £570 and have the rooms professionally dressed/photographs taken for both the advert and website.

Resolved that:

- [i] This item be placed on the next Haling Dene Management meeting when more detail and costs could be obtained.
- [ii] Council place a four page advert in the June edition of the Penkrige Advertiser at a cost of £570 and have the rooms professionally dressed/photographs taken for both the advert and website.

3041. AFFORDABLE RURAL HOUSING

Further to a presentation at the November 2014 Full Council meeting by SSC and SSHA with regard to the above, Council considered if they wished to go ahead with the initial stages of the process.

Resolved that Council now progress with the initial stages for Affordable Rural Housing.

3042. BURIAL GROUND LAUREL HEDGE

A quotation was received and considered from Brocton Nurseries, the Council's new Horticultural Contractors, to supply and install laurel for the above at a cost of £887.50.

Resolved that this item be deferred to a later time in the year.

3043. PENKRIDGE LIBRARY

It was noted that a site visit had been arranged for the above on Tuesday 14th April at 6.30 pm.

3044. GRANTS AND DONATIONS

Consideration was given to a grant application from Penkridge Round Table who requested a grant towards room hire cost at the Haling Dene Centre.

Resolved that the Council award a grant to the Round Table for their room hire cost at the Haling Dene for the Fun Run.

3045. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday 14th May 2015 at 7.30 pm.

3046. Local Government Act 1972 - Exclusion of Press and Public - to resolve that the Press and Public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items of business on the grounds that they are likely to involve the disclosure of exempt information as defined in the appropriate paragraph(s) Section 1[2] Public Bodies/Admission to meetings Act 1960.

The meeting closed at 8.35 pm

Chairman: _____

Date: _____

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3033. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr Mercott of Rodbaston advised that over the past 12 months their life has been a nightmare with the M6 closures due to the roadworks/resurfacing. The noise of the lorries passing within 5 metres of their house and in excess of 60 mph is horrendous and causing sleepless nights. He advised that they have two disabled children and he himself had disabilities. He welcomed any Councillor to sit in their property for an hour when the motorway had been closed to witness the noise. Mr Mercott gave Councillors photos of an accident that involved a car outside their property and asked the Council for help with this matter.

Claire Geoghegan of the Friends of Penkridge Library gave an update on what the Group have been doing since her last update. She advised that they had been trying to find out the history of the building and cannot find anything more recent than the mid 1960s. She thanked Councillors for their invitation for the Group to attend the tour of the Library on 14th April at 6.30 pm and advised that the Group meet at 5.30 pm. SCC Graham Riley would be in attendance and added that Councillors were welcome to sit in on their meeting. She said that if the Group were unable to obtain details about the building from the mid 1960s to date would the Council be willing to submit a joint Freedom of Information request to obtain this information.