

Penkridge Parish Council

Minutes of the Recreation and Amenities Committee Meeting
held on 22nd February 2018 at 8.30 pm - Haling Dene Centre

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with the inclusion of confidential matters.

Present

Councillor Mrs Vivienne Smith [Chairman]
“ Andrew Adams
“ John Eastwood
“ Mrs Petula M C Hughes
“ Victor Kelly
“ Andrew Lenz
“ David Oldfield
“ Alan Smallwood

Non Committee Members in Attendance were Cllrs Bevan Craddock, Mrs Isabel Ford, Brian Heathcote,
Anthony Minshall and Calvert Stonehouse

Also in Attendance Ms L Hough
Members of Friends of Penkridge Library
Members of Civic Society
SCC Officers – Mr Chris Plant and Mr Alan Medway

Public Session

1291. APOLOGIES

An apology was received from Cllr Mrs Hilary Hughes.

1292. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest.

1293. MINUTES

Resolved

That the minutes of the meeting of 26th October 2017 be approved as a true and correct record and
be signed by the Chairman.

1294. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There were no matters arising from the Minutes.

1295. INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

- [a] The Recreation and Amenities printouts for the year to date were received and noted.
- [b] The Burial Ground printouts for the year to date were received and noted.

Standing Orders were suspended for the discussion of Item 1296

1296. PENKRIDGE LIBRARY

- [a] Members welcomed Mr Chris Plant and Mr Alan Medway from Staffordshire County Council Library Services to discuss the implications of changing the Library to a Community Managed Library. The Officers gave a short presentation on the Consultation document and how it related to Penkridge. There then followed a question and answer session between Councillors and the SCC Officers.
- [b] It was noted that there would be a Public Meeting for the above, organised by the Friends of Penkridge Library, on Thursday 22nd March at 7.00 pm.

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1297. VILLAGE ISLANDS

Further to the resolution made at the December 2017 Full Council meeting 'to consult with the Parishioners as to who maintains the above from April 2018' the Facebook results showed that:

59% For Staffordshire County Council
41% For Parish Council

The Committee were asked to approve that the above be referred back to SCC Highways as of 1st April 2018.

There was a vote taken with six votes to continue maintaining the islands and one vote against. The PA advised that the Committee would have to save money from other areas within their budget to support the above at a cost of £5,000 and this would be reviewed at the July Finance and Resources meeting.

Resolved that the Council continue to maintain the islands and two corners of Bungham Lane and Boscomoor Lane.

1298. GAILEY BUS SHELTER

The PA advised that the erection of the Bus Shelter had been delayed due to the Contractor having family issues and ill health but she would undertake regular checks with the Contractor to ensure the work would be completed as soon as possible.

1299. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday 24th May 2018 at 8.30 pm.

The meeting closed at 10.00 pm

Chair: _____

Date: _____