

Penkridge Parish Council

Minutes of the Penkridge Parish Council Meeting held On 8th November 2018 at 7.30 pm at the Haling Dene Centre

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PRESENT

Councillor	Alan Smallwood [Chairman]
"	Andrew Adams
"	Miss Chloe Burns
"	Bevan Craddock
"	John L Eastwood
"	Isabel G A Ford
"	Mrs Hilary Hughes
"	Mrs Petula M C Hughes
"	Victor Kelly
"	Andrew Lenz
"	Anthony Minshall

Also in Attendance Ms L Hough

There were 16 members of the Public in attendance

Part I - Public Session

3775. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllrs Brian Heathcote, David Oldfield, Mrs Vivienne Smith and Calvert Stonehouse.

3776. PERSONALIA AND EVENTS

The above was received for November 2018.

3777. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest received.

3778. DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST (DPI)

There had been no DPI requests received.

3779. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr John Reece of Stafford Road advised he did not think the McCarthy Stone proposed development was necessary and should be considered as over development. He thought that the application was flawed beyond belief and he wanted to know if the Parish Council was on the side of the residents.

Claire Geoghegan from the Friends of Penkridge Library said she wanted to point out that the Parish Council agreed to be involved in the Library from the point of producing the Parish Plan.

Mr Mike Smith from the Friends of Penkridge Library said he agreed with Claire's comments and said he thought the Parish Council had agreed to submit a Procurement Bid but the second item on the agenda under the Library header was a little confusing.

Cllr Miss Burns read out an email from Helen Palfrey sent to her asking that the Library remain as it is currently run.

3779. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION [Cont'd]

Cllr Miss Burns said she had received a notification from South Staffordshire Council that a Code of Conduct Complaint had been raised against her claiming, at a public meeting, she had stated that 'County Councillors receive a company car and salary'. She said she had clearly stated that this was people 'at the top' in County Council and not County Councillors. Cllr Miss Burns apologised for the mis-understanding and reiterated that she did not say that County Councillors received a company car or salary. She said she now hoped by formally apologising and clarifying what had been said the matter would be closed.

Mr Alan Stevens of Cannock Road said there was nothing on the agenda with regard to updates on the speed/traffic calming on the Cannock Road.

The Chairman advised that this was on the next Highway Liaison agenda for further discussion and would continue to be until the matter was resolved.

3780. POLICE MATTERS

[a] It was noted that a Police report had not been received and any updates would be included on the December report.

3781. MINUTES

Resolved that the Minutes be approved as a true and correct record for:

[a] Full Council meeting of 11th October 2018

[b] Full Council Extra Ordinary meeting of 11th October 2018

3782. COMMITTEE MINUTES

The minutes were noted of:-

[a] Planning meeting of the 11th October 2018.

[b] Haling Dene Management Meeting of 25th October 2018

[c] Recreation and Amenities Meeting of 25th October 2018

3783. WORKING GROUP MINUTES

It was noted that no minutes had been received.

3784. OUTSIDE GROUPS WITH PC REPRESENTATION

It was noted that no minutes had been received.

3785. ACCOUNTS

Resolved that:

[a] The accounts for payment were approved for the month of October 2018.

[b] The expenditure summary print outs for October 2018 be approved.

[c] The following accounting details were noted:

Current Account Balance	£ 47,459
Business Saver Balance	£ 268,406

Expenditure For the Month of October:

Full Council	£ 50,506
Haling Dene Mgt	£ 77,301
Recreation and Amenities	£ 39,461
Burial Ground	£ 22,095

Income for The Month of October:

Full Council	£ 1,069
Haling Dene Mgt	£ 57,270
Recreation and Amenities	£ 678
Burial Ground	£ 27,899

3786. PRIORITIES OF PARISHES

The Vice Chair advised that the paperwork to undertake this exercise had not been forwarded from South Staffordshire Council and she would collect the relevant paperwork when she attended the Parish Summit.

Resolved that this item be included on the December agenda.

3787. SOUTH STAFFORDSHIRE COUNCIL

The contents of an email were received dated 15th October with regard to their Review of Polling Districts and Polling Places 2018.

3788. STAFFORDSHIRE PARISH COUNCIL ASSOCIATION

A letter was received dated 24th October from the above which also asked what Council Representatives would be attending their AGM on 3rd December 2018.

Cllrs Mrs Ford and Kelly advised they would be attending the meeting.

Councillors said they had not been asked to submit a Notice of Motion for the AGM and asked if any other Council had submitted one for the Express Implications from Government with regard to the financial implications for Parish Councils.

Cllr Mrs Ford advised that this item had been raised many times over the previous years.

3789. PENKRIDGE LIBRARY

[a] Consideration was given to the Options available to the Council for the Procurement Bid.

The Chairman gave a presentation compiled by Cllr Minshall on the information and recommendations of the Working Group.

The presentation was followed by a general discussion on the options available.

A proposal was put forward by Cllr Eastwood and seconded by Cllr Adams that the Council compiled the Procurement Bid based on Option 2 - Take on the Library without the two members of Staff and the Parish to employ a 'Volunteer Co-ordinator' together with Volunteers to run the Library.

Councillors Voted For Option 2: Cllrs Adams, Mrs Ford, Mrs Hilary Hughes, Lenz, Minshall and Smallwood

Councillors Voted Against Option 2 – Cllrs Craddock and Kelly

Councillors who abstained – Cllrs Miss Burns and Mrs Petula Hughes

Cllr Kelly asked that a named vote be recorded.

Resolved that:

[i] The Council submit a Procurement Bid based on Option Two.

[ii] The Council consider the Procurement Bid paperwork at their Extra Meeting of 15th November.

[iii] The completed Procurement Bid paperwork be circulated to Councillors by 13th November.

[b] The Chairman advised that as Councillors had voted for Option Two the next item on the Agenda would be discarded. - To consider if, after hearing the above, the Council wish to continue with the submission of a Procurement Bid for the Penkridge Library.

3790. VILLAGE PARKING

[a] Further to the above being discussed at the October Full Council meeting to consider the Terms and Conditions for the opening of the Car Park in Pinfold Lane.

[b] To consider if the Council agree with the above and if they wish to continue with a three-month trial.

The Chairman advised that no further information had been received for the above item so this would be deferred to the December agenda.

Resolved that this item be included on the December agenda.

3791. SCHOOL CROSSING PATROL

Further to the resolutions made at the October Full Council in relation to the above to:

- [a] Receive the responses from the local businesses with regard to sponsorship.
- [b] To note that Staffordshire County Council are to shortly undertake a Public Consultation and they will continue funding the above until September 2019.

The Chairman advised that no further information had been received for the above item so this would be deferred to the December agenda.

Resolved that this item be included on the December agenda.

3792. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Extra Full Council Meeting on Thursday 15th November at 7.00 pm

Full Council Meeting on Thursday 13th December 2018 at 7.30 pm.

The meeting closed at 9.20 pm

Chairman: _____

Date: _____