

Penkridge Parish Council

Minutes of the Penkridge Parish Council Meeting held On 9th January 2020 at 7.30 pm at the Haling Dene Centre

Audio recordings will be made of all Ordinary and Special Council meetings and Committee meetings, with the inclusion of confidential matters.

PRESENT

Councillor	Mrs Petula M C Hughes	[Chairman]
"	Calvert Stonehouse	[Vice Chairman]
"	Andrew Adams	
"	Ms Gail Ballance	
"	Bevan Craddock	
"	John Eastwood	
"	Gordon Hawkins	
"	Anthony Minshall	
"	David Oldfield	
"	Mrs Vivienne Smith	
"	Alan Smallwood	

Also in Attendance Ms L Hough

There were 2 members of the Public in attendance

Part I - Public Session

4013. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllrs Mrs Isabel Ford, Victor Kelly, Andrew Lenz and Mrs Helen Sutton.

4014. PERSONALIA AND EVENTS

[a] The above was received for January 2020.

[b] Members of the Council and Public in attendance to declare if they are video/audio recording the meeting.

Resolved that Cllrs David Oldfield and Calvert Stonehouse.

4015. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

[a] Cllrs Mrs Petula Hughes, Mrs Vivienne Smith and Calvert Stonehouse declared an interest in Item 12 – Library as they are Library Volunteers.

4016. DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST (DPI)

There had been no DPI requests received.

4017. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mrs Christine Robinson, Library Volunteer, asked if Council are trying to save money why do they photocopy documentation on single sided paper.

Mrs Dorothy Briggs, Cannock Road, said she could now see the Haling Dene from her house following the cutting of the trees on the front of the grounds. She also asked the PCSO in attendance his thoughts on the traffic and speed along the Cannock Road and how could the Police work with the Parish Council to reduce the traffic speed.

PCSO, Gaz Lloyd, said the Parish Council could investigate a Community Speed Watch Scheme. He would send the Clerk details.

Cllr Smallwood said he had been approached by a resident complaining that a Motor Cyclist was using the lane from Francis Close to Francis Green Lane, which was a pedestrian only lane.

Cllr Eastwood said following discussions with some pupils from Wolgarston School they thought that there should be a crossing patrol at the Wolgarston Way island rather than by the Boat Public House. He asked if the school could be written to and undertake a survey on the pupils' thoughts and opinions and if they could advise the Parish Council of the results.

4018. POLICE MATTERS

- [a] PCSO Gaz Lloyd attended the meeting as a representative from Staffordshire Police following the resignation of PCSO Andy Poxon who would be leaving the Police on 17th January.

4019. MINUTES

Resolved that the Full Council Minutes for the 12th December 2019 meeting be confirmed and signed as a true and correct record.

Councillors received an email from SSC Kelly Harris and agreed that a meeting be arranged for Monday 24th February at 11.00 am to discuss the SSC Spatial Housing Strategy.

Cllr Hawkins advised that he had been in attendance but was not included on the Attendance list.

4020. COMMITTEE MINUTES

The minutes were noted of:-

- [a] Planning Meeting of the 12th December 2019.

4021. WORKING GROUP MINUTES

It was noted that no minutes had been received.

4022. OUTSIDE GROUPS WITH PC REPRESENTATION

It was noted that no minutes had been received.

4023. ACCOUNTS

Resolved that:

- [a] The accounts for payment were approved for the month of December 2019.
[b] The expenditure summary print outs for December 2019 be approved subject to any queries being raised by the time of the next meeting.
[c] The following accounting details were noted:

Current Account Balance	£ 18,637
Business Saver Balance	£284,126

Expenditure for the Month of May:

Full Council	£ 66,466
Haling Dene Mgt	£ 122,308
Recreation and Amenities	£ 52,914
Burial Ground	£ 27,626

Income for The Month of May:

Full Council	£ 2,307
Haling Dene Mgt	£ 75,604
Recreation and Amenities	£ 1,432
Burial Ground	£ 20,184

4024. LIBRARY

- [a] The PA's report was received following a meeting with the Library Volunteers on Thursday 2nd January 2020.
[b] Councillors were reminded not to approach Staffordshire County Council Officers or Library Volunteers to discuss strategic or administrative issues with regard to the running of the Library. Any enquiries should be directed to the Parish Administrator.

4025. PARISH PLAN

- [a] It was noted that the previous Parish Plan Committee Chairman had been asked if they could forward the criteria details to the Parish Council and any information received would be passed onto the Working Group.
[b] It was noted that a Working Group meeting would be held on Monday 20th January at 10.30 am and the notes of the meeting would be reported back to the February Full Council.

4026. PENK VALLEY ACADEMY

An email was received dated 13th December from the above who advised of a proposal to lower the minimum age of admission and it was noted that the closing date for comments was 31st January 2020.

Resolved that a letter be sent to Staffordshire County Council asking for their points of view/comments on the above.

4027. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday 13th February 2020 at 7.30 pm.

4028. 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 8.10 pm

Chairman: _____

Date: _____