Penkridge Parish Council

<u>Minutes of the Penkridge Parish Council Meeting held</u> <u>On 13th February 2020 at 7.30 pm at the Haling Dene Centre</u>

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
 - " Mrs Isabel G A Ford
 - " Gordon Hawkins
 - " Victor Kelly
 - " Andrew Lenz
 - " Anthony Minshall
 - " David Öldfield
 - " Mrs Vivienne Smith
 - " Alan Smallwood
 - " Mrs Helen Sutton

Also in Attendance Ms L Hough

There were 5 members of the Public in attendance

Part I - Public Session

4029. APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

- 4030. PERSONALIA AND EVENTS
- [a] The above was received for February 2020.
- [b] Members of the Council and Public in attendance to declare if they are video/audio recording the meeting.

<u>Resolved</u> that Cllrs Andrew Lenz, David Oldfield and Calvert Stonehouse together with Mr Paul Geoghegan, member of the public.

- [c] Councillors were reminded that apologies should be submitted to the PA with the reason for their absence and not by their fellow Councillors
- 4031. 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.
- 4032. <u>DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST (DPI)</u> There had been no DPI requests received.
- 4033. <u>PUBLIC PARTICIPATION</u>

Mrs Christine Robinson, Croydon Drive, said the Council had not listened to her previous comments and printed the agenda on single sided paper. She also asked what was happening with the Village Toilets as they were still closed on Friday and Saturday and now the Co-Operative Toilets were locked.

The Chairman advised that the Council would shortly be advertising for a Village Orderly to cover Friday and Saturdays.

4033. <u>PUBLIC PARTICIPATION</u> [Cont'd]

Cllr Victor Kelly said he had been approached by residents with a number of items: Bloor Homes had started works on the land along the Stafford Road, although only outline planning permission had been obtained.

The Co-Operative car park on the Wolverhampton Road had now placed a 90 minute restriction on the car park which was causing problems to outlining roads.

Residents had been complaining that the new MP had not arranged any parishioner surgeries. Councillors asked that the new MP be invited to come and introduce herself to Councillors at a future meeting.

Cllr Mrs Petula Hughes said she had been approached by a resident who had concerns that cars were parking on the grass verge along the Wolverhampton Road and churning up the grass. She had spoken to Cllr Lenz asking that this item be placed on the next Highway Liaison agenda. Councillors also said lorries were churning up the grass verge by Greggs.

4034. POLICE MATTERS

[a] A PCSO attended the meting and updated Councillors on incidents within the village over the past month.

Councillors once again raised the problem with motor cycles coming from Princefield Bridge into Bartlett Close and cutting across the grass.

- [b] An email was received dated 10th January from Sgt Kelly Wareing giving an update on the resignation of PCSO Andy Poxon.
- [c] An email was received dated 23rd January from the Staffordshire Community Speed Watch giving information on the CSW.

4035. <u>MINUTES</u>

<u>Resolved</u> that the Full Council Minutes for the 9th January 2020 meeting be confirmed and signed as a true and correct record.

Cllr Eastwood said the wording under Item 4024 - Library had been slightly reworded following his comments at the January meeting but the meaning was still the same. He asked that the wording be revised as, in his opinion, Councillors should not be restricted from talking to the Library Volunteers with regard to the administration issues and day to day running of the Library.

4024. <u>LIBRARY</u>

[b] Councillors were reminded not to approach Staffordshire County Council Officers to discuss strategic or administrative issues with regard to the running of the Library. Any enquiries should be directed to the Parish Administrator.

4036. COMMITTEE MINUTES

The minutes were noted of:-

- [a] Planning Meeting of the 9th January 2020.
- [b] Haling Dene Management meeting of 23rd January 2020.
- [c] Recreation and Amenities meeting of 23rd January 2020.

4037. <u>WORKING GROUP MINUTES</u> It was noted that no minutes had been received.

4038. <u>OUTSIDE GROUPS WITH PC REPRESENTATION</u> The minutes were received from the Penkridge Sports and Recreation Centre [Monckton] dated 25th November 2019.

4039. <u>ACCOUNTS</u>

<u>Resolved</u> that:

- [a] The accounts for payment were approved for the month of January 2020.
- [b] The expenditure summary print outs for January 2020 be approved.
- [c] The following accounting details were noted:

Current Account Balance Business Saver Balance	£ 54,673 £284,339
Expenditure for the Month of May: Full Council Haling Dene Mgt Recreation and Amenities Burial Ground	£ 71,213 £ 233,023 £ 63,013 £ 29,983
Income for The Month of May: Full Council Haling Dene Mgt Recreation and Amenities Burial Ground	£ 2,307 £ 90,699 £ 3,264 £ 24,616

4040. <u>LIBRARY</u>

- [a] The PA's report was received following a meeting with the Library Volunteers on Wednesday 5th February 2020.
- 4041. <u>SUBSCRIPTIONS</u>

Following the decision made at the 12th December meeting to subscribe to the SLCC for the coming year, the actual cost of renewal was £328.00.
To approve the renewal of the membership to the SLCC at a cost of £328.
<u>Resolved</u> that the Council approve the subscription to SLCC at a cost of £328.

4042. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday 12th March 2020 at 7.30 pm.

4043. 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.

Part II – Private Session

- 4044. HALING DENE PUBLIC BAR
- [a] Consideration was given to the above and what options were available to take this matter forward.

The meeting closed at 9.50 pm

Chairman:

Date: