

# WEOBLEY PARISH COUNCIL

## PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the Weobley Parish Council Meeting held at the Hopelands Village Hall, Weobley HR4 8SN on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2019 commencing at 7:00pm.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Councillors L Anderson (Chair), M Ware (Vice-Chair), C Breen, I Dyer (7.27pm), P Lloyd, V Mackie, H Quinlan and C Saunders.

**ALSO PRESENT:** PCSO Felix Rawlinson.

**OFFICER PRESENT:** Clerk to the Council

### PUBLIC OPEN SESSION

There were no members of the public present. No issues were raised.

### 93/18 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs J Simons and M West.

### 94/18 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

The following Declaration of Interest was made:

- Cllr Anderson: P190370.

### 95/18 MINUTES

It was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2019 be agreed and signed as a correct record.

### 96/18 MATTERS ARISING

The following matters arising were noted:

- A quotation had been requested for the decoration of the new toilet doors and library windows;
- A decision regarding the LEADER funding application was still outstanding.

### 97/18 POLICE REPORT

PCSO Felix Rawlinson was in attendance. He apologised for the lack of attendance by the Police. This was being addressed. The following update was noted:

- There had been some vehicle damage in November/December 2018 at Burtonwood. Consideration was being given to install CCTV at the Centre and the Police had held a surgery;
- There had been a burglary in Broad Street and a number of other incidents in the last month;
- Parking issues had been experienced in Portland Street;
- Concern was expressed that there was a lack of confidentiality at the PACT meetings. This concern would be addressed.

### 98/18 WARD COUNCILLOR REPORT

Apologies had been received from Ward Cllr Cooper. There was no update to consider.

### 99/18 FINANCES & POLICY

(a) **Accounts Outstanding and Financial Statement** – Council approved the payment of accounts relating to February 2019 amounting to £5,828.30, including VAT:

PAYEE	SERVICE	CHEQUE	TOTAL
P Russell	Salary Feb 19	1484	£258.11
HMRC Cumbernauld	TAX/NHI	1484	£64.40
P Russell	Clerk's Expenses Feb 19	1484	£41.69
P Russell	Jubilee Fireworks	1484	£2,160.00
P Russell	A McEwen Toilet Refurb	1484	£845.00

C Breen	Spring Horse parts	1485	£133.50
Data Orchard CIC	NDP	1486	£2,059.20
Richard Mills	P3 Works	1487	£266.40
			<b>£5,828.30</b>

- (b) **Newsletter** – The Spring edition of the Newsletter was currently being collated. It was agreed to include articles relating to the Post Office and the elections on 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2019.
- (c) **Elections, 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2019** – Following consideration it was **RESOLVED** to request polling cards for the election taking place on 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2019.

## 100/18 PLANNING MATTERS

- (a) **Planning** – It was agreed to submit the following comments to Herefordshire Council.

**APPLICATION:** P190427  
**SITE:** 62 Bearcroft, Weobley, Hereford, Herefordshire HR4 8TA  
**DESCRIPTION:** Proposed works to Ash (T2) Fell to just about wire fence. Reason: Outgrown situation. Rowan (T3) Fell to ground level, retaining smaller tree nearest property. Reason: Outgrown situation.  
**COMMENT:** No objection

**APPLICATION:** P190428  
**SITE:** 62 Bearcroft Weobley, Hereford, Herefordshire HR4 8TA  
**DESCRIPTION:** Proposed works to Ash (T1)  
**COMMENT:** No objection

**APPLICATION:** P190370  
**SITE:** 1 Apple Meadow Weobley, Hereford, Herefordshire HR4 8RZ  
**DESCRIPTION:** Proposed works to Silver Birch tree at rear of property - reduce in height by approx.7 metres as tree has grown too tall.  
**COMMENT:** No objection

**APPLICATION:** P190686  
**SITE:** Tudor Cottage, Broad Street, Weobley, Hereford, Herefordshire HR4 8SA  
**DESCRIPTION:** Application for approval of details reserved by conditions 3, 4 & 5 attached to listed building consent 184264.  
**COMMENT:** No objection

- (b) **Gadbridge Road (P163963)** – It was agreed to contact Herefordshire Council again regarding the naming of this new development. The Parish Council expressed its dissatisfaction with the current proposals, none of which had either been confirmed or consulted upon. Following discussion, it was **RESOLVED** to request that the development be named Gadbridge Meadow.

There was concern that the highway may not be resurfaced. It was agreed to request the Locality Steward to establish whether or not there were plans to resurface the road and include yellow lines, and if there were plans who was going to carry out the works. Clarification would also be sought regarding the plans to reinstate the verge by the Village Hall which had been removed. Concerns were expressed that the width of the new pavement will narrow the lane. Clarification on the ownership of the verge would also be sought.

- (c) **Burtonwood Application (P181050)** – Council noted the update provided regarding the potential of the village to challenge the granting of permission for this outline application.
- (d) **Neighbourhood Plan Update** – Council noted that the Regulation 16 consultation would end on 6<sup>th</sup> March 2019. Once completed any responses submitted would be forwarded to the Steering Group by Herefordshire Council.

## 101/18 PARISH MATTERS

- (a) **Defibrillator** – Council noted that the position of the defibrillator had been confirmed at the Village Hall. Installation would proceed as soon as possible.
- (b) **Pump House** – Following discussion, it was **RESOLVED**:
- To request that Welsh Water/Dwr Cymru commences the transfer of the asset as originally agreed to Weobley Parish Council;
  - To confirm the proposed contribution of £5,000 from Welsh Water/Dwr Cymru towards the cost of any works to be undertaken to the Pump House;
  - To confirm that Welsh Water/Dwr Cymru would assist where possible with access to the tank in advance of any refurbishment;
  - To request that Welsh Water/Dwr Cymru undertakes a full asbestos survey via its internal team.
- (c) **Post Office** – Council noted a meeting to discuss on the future of the post office would be held in the next few days. Following the outcome of that meeting a decision on what further action to take would be made. If required, the Parish Council would facilitate a village meeting.
- (d) **Highways Task & Finish Group** – Council noted the report of the first meeting of this Group held on 12<sup>th</sup> February 2019. A number of options had been highlighted and a further meeting was being scheduled.
- (e) **Library & Public Convenience Maintenance Plan Development** – Council noted the draft maintenance plan developed for the Library and Toilet buildings. Further work would be undertaken on the plan and quotations for work required obtained. It was noted that some damage had been caused in Back Lane following works undertaken by a utility company. The Locality Steward would be informed.
- (f) **Play Area/Skate Park** – Council noted the update received regarding repair works undertaken in the play area and progress of the development of the proposed Skate Park. The Springer play unit had been repaired. It was agreed to check whether planning permission would be required for the development of the skate park.

## 102/18 HIGHWAY MATTERS

- (a) **Footpath update** – Council noted that all the footpaths were accessible and the gates and stiles in good repair. A new swing gate was going to be installed in the Spring. Mowing would commence in the next few weeks.
- (b) **Lengthsman/P3** – Council noted work undertaken to date including the clearance of the Chicken Run, and works to the library car park. The outstanding works previously agreed would be undertaken in the next few weeks.

Balfour Beatty had confirmed that it would maintain the verge and hedge outside the Abattoir due to its close proximity to the highway. Two blocked drains were reported in Back Lane.

Two quotations were being obtained to remove the cherry tree in the Rose Garden, which was dying. The tree would be allowed to bloom prior to removal.

## 103/18 CORRESPONDENCE – Council noted the following correspondence:

- Locality Steward Weekly Briefings – February 2019
- Herefordshire Council, Road Closures February 2019 – Update to programme
- Herefordshire Rural Hub February 2019 newsletter
- Police Newsletter – February 2019
- Cabinet Update – February 2018
- HALC Information Corner/Code of Conduct – February 2019

**104/18 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Council noted that the next meeting of the Council would be held on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2019 at 7.00pm in the Hopelands Village Hall, Weobley HR4 8SN.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 9.20pm.

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**CHAIR:**

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**DATE:**