GREAT WYRLEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF GREAT WYRLEY PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT 7.00 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY 6TH FEBRUARY, 2019 AT GREAT WYRLEY COMMUNITY CENTRE, LANDYWOOD LANE, GREAT WYRLEY.

PRESENT:

Cllr. Ms. H. R. Snape (Chairman)

Cllr. Mrs. J. A. Johnson
Cllr. J. C. Jones
Cllr. A. Kelsey
Cllr. M. McKenzie
Cllr. R. Myatt

Cllr. Mrs. J. Perry
Cllr. Mrs. J. Smith
Cllr. R. Smith
Cllr. R. Toddington

Clir. R. Myatt Clir. Mrs. S. Toddingto Clir. A. Newell Clir. Mrs. S. M. Wood

117/2019 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllr. Mrs. K. M. Perry and Cllr. Mrs. K. A. Williams.

118/2019 MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Resolved that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 16th January, 2019 be accepted, approved and signed by the Chairman following the correction of agenda item 110/2019 relating to the laying of slabs at a bus stop in Great Wyrley which should have read "Landywood Lane" and not "Gorsey Lane".

119/2019 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no Chairman's announcements on this occasion.

120/2019 REPORT BY STAFFORDSHIRE POLICE

PCSO Christopher Timmins gave a full report to the Parish Council on the present level of crime within the Parish. A copy of the full report is attached to the minutes at Appendix 1. PCSO Timmins advised the meeting that they would be holding a Police Surgery at the Co-Operative on Friday 22nd February, 2019. This was noted.

Cllr. J. C. Jones enquired of PCSO Timmins whether there had been an increase in drug related issues in the last month. PCSO Timmins advised Cllr. Jones that it remained to be seen whether some of the issues referred to had been related to drugs. Cllr. Jones also enquired of PCSO Timmins whether he had been made aware any persons sleeping rough in the Parish to which the response was no.

Cllr. A. J. Kelsey advised PCSO Timmins that he had observed suspicious groups of people gathering in the alleyway between Oak Avenue and Wharwell Lane; Bentons Lane was also mentioned. The Parish Council requested that these areas be monitored more closely for the time being.

121/2019 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr. C. Bott addressed the Parish Council with an explanation of how he intended to put into practise his wish to give something back to the village he grew up in

by making a substantial donation to the First Responders Organisation towards the £40,000 they required to purchase a new purpose kitted out car.

Mr. Bott gave Members a full report on how he proposed to make this project successful and also how he would ensure that Great Wyrley Parish benefitted the most from the event.

Cllr. J. C. Jones enquired of Mr. Bott whether he would be prepared to accept a discount of 50% in the hire charge. Mr. Bott responded that it did not matter how much or how little the Parish Council contributed towards this project he still intended to hold the Health and Safety event at Great Wyrley Community Centre from which all proceeds would be donated to the First Responders.

Cllr. R. Perry advised Mr. Bott that both Cllr. Mrs. K. M. Perry and Mrs. J. A. Johnson along with himself still had monies available under the District Members Scheme and suggested that Mr. Bott complete an application form for funding towards this event.

Members agreed to place this matter on the agenda for the next meeting of the Parish Council.

122/2019 CLERK'S REPORTS

5(a) Request for Funding - Wyrey Vipers Under 8's Football Team

The Parish Council had received an e-mail from the Wyrley Vipers under 8's Football Team. The content of which was a request to have a discounted rate applied to a booking at the Community Centre to hold a Presentation Evening.

Cllr. R. Perry again advised the Parish Council that there were still funds available in the District Members Fund at South Staffordshire Council and that they would be more than happy to consider this request. This was thought to be a more appropriate route than through Great Wyrley Parish Council's Grant Aid scheme, particularly, as the request involved a Cheslyn Hay based organisation.

The Parish Council **resolved** to signpost the organisation to South Staffordshire Council.

5(b) - Let's Work Together

The Parish Council had received a reminder to Councillors that South Staffordshire Council was to hold its Let's Work Together event on Monday 25th February, 2019. This was noted by Members.

5(c) - Campaign to Reduce Dog Fouling

The Parish Council had received an invitation to take part in a campaign to reduce the amount of dog fouling taking place in the Parish. The Parish Council **resolved** to join the campaign and take advantage of all the supportive products on offer to assist with the project.

In furtherance of the Parish Council's active approach to the campaign Councillor Mrs. J. A. Johnson suggested that the Parish Council purchase three tri-signs from South Staffordshire Council. Cllr. Mrs. Johnson had already instructed the District Council to provide another dog bin to be located opposite The Star public house on the A34. Cllr. Mrs. J. A. Johnson advised the meeting that she had in fact stencilled a number of warnings in the village which she felt had been effective and should be reinforced for the coming year. This was noted.

123/2019 MATTERS ARISING

WEST MIDLANDS INTERCHANGE

The Clerk advised the Parish Council that it would be represented at the forthcoming hearing to set the timetable/protocol for the West Midlands Interchange. Cllr. R. J. Cope and Cllr. A. Hartshorn were to represent The Collective of Parish Councils of which Great Wyrley Parish was a Member at the Hearing to take place on 27th February at The Molineux Ground. This was noted by Members.

M54/M6/M6 TOLL LINK ROAD

The Clerk advised the meeting that the response to the consultation process regarding the above issue needed to be returned by 11th February, 2019. Accordingly, the Clerk had taken into account the fact that as there was no final detail available on the preferred route's impact on Junction 11 it would be prudent to reserve judgement until such time as this detail was available but to continue to support the Parish of Hilton which would be detrimentally affected as the proposed link road would be located only 30 metres away from the nearest property in Dark Lane. This was noted.

124/2019 COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Councillor Mrs. K. M. Perry was unable to be present on this occasion; however, the Parish Council was advised via Councillor R. J. Perry that Virgin Media would shortly be revisiting the Parish in order to reinstate the areas which had been damaged and left unfinished. This was noted.

125/201 <u>DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' REPORTS</u>

Cllr. R. Perry and Cllr. Mrs. J. A. Johnson advised the meeting that they had attended the Planning Hearing into the appeal lodged by the owner of 122 Streets Lane, Great Wyrley against the refusal of South Staffordshire Council to grant permission for caravan on land at 122 Streets Lane. This was noted.

126 / 2018 PARISH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

DOUBLE YELLOW LINES - BENTONS LANE

Councillor Mrs. S. M. Wood again advised the meeting that the lack of Double Yellow Lines in Bentons Lane was still causing absolute chaos. The Clerk was asked to research this matter with Mrs. Larvin of Staffordshire County Council.

CHANGE TO CHRISTMAS LUNCH START TIME

Cllr. R. Perry advised the Parish Council that it may be beneficial to move the start time for the Christmas lunch forward to 1.00p.m. A number of the diners at last year's event had expressed their concern at not being able to return home until after dark. Members agreed that the time be changed for the forthcoming year.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH ENTERTAINMENT

Following discussion it was agreed by all Members that there may be a need to increase the budget with regard to entertainment for the Christmas Lunch. The Parish Council **resolved** to increase the amount paid to £150.00.

Cllr. Mrs. J. Johnson advised the meeting that she had attended the Home Alone at Christmas Lunch which was held annually at The Council Offices, Codsall and that it may be possible that the Christmas Lunches at Great Wyrley may meet the criteria for funding by the District Members Fund.

NEW PA SYSTEM

Members discussed the fact that the PA System was in serious need of replacement. The Clerk advised the meeting that Cllr. Mrs. K. M. Perry had funded the purchase of a new PA System under her County Councillors Members Fund and this would be carried out in the near future.

DIAL A RIDE BUS SERVICE

Cllr. R. Myatt advised the meeting that he was still awaiting the new leaflets advertising Dial a Ride. Cllr. R. Perry advised the meeting that he had brought the leaflets in to the Centre this evening and that they would be easily accessible from now on and the information shared with the community. This was noted.

Cllr. Mrs. J. A. Johnson advised the meeting that the leaflets needed to be distributed within the village. The Parish Council proposed to distribute the leaflets at the Friday Lunches and also give a supply to both the Senior Citizens Centre and Voluntary Help Centre whilst also posting the information on Facebook.

SEVERN TRENT WATER

Cllr. Ms. H. Snape advised the Parish Council that a meeting had been held at the Community Centre which had been very well attended by the public. The Flood Risk Assessment Officer from the County Council had been present along with Mark Keeling and Cllr. Mrs. K. M. Perry. A number of questionnaires were distributed to those present at the meeting and the Parish Council was awaiting the return of the questionnaires to forward to both Severn Trent Water and Staffordshire County Council.

The Chairman advised the meeting that as a result of the meeting Severn Trent Water was to revisit the Parish Council with a view to dealing face to face with the public who had been in attendance.

The Parish Council was to fully advertise this meeting in order to ensure that as many people as possible were aware of the opportunity to raise their views with the Water Authority.

WYRLEY BROOK

Cllr. Mrs. J. A. Johnson advised the meeting that she was extremely concerned regarding the condition of Wyrley Brook and explained that in the past there had been changes in the responsibility for various elements of the brook i.e. the water itself, the banks and the grids, all of which were the responsibility of a different agency.

In the past an agreement had been reached between Severn Trent Water, Cllr. Mrs. Johnson and Cllr. Mrs. K. M. Perry that Severn Trent would in effect service the Brook on a monthly basis to keep the grids clear of duck weed. However, Cllr. Mrs. Johnson was unsure whether these works were still being carried out. Cllr. J. C. Jones supported Cllr. Mrs. Johnson's view that there was a real need to have the brook properly maintained. Cllr. Ms. H. Snape agreed that the Brook is very badly overgrown.

Cllr. Mrs. S. M. Wood advised the meeting that this situation was difficult to control as there were so many rivulets running into the Brook. Cllr. J. C. Jones advised the meeting that because there had been considerable erosion of the banks to the Brook an amount of concrete had now begun to form additional dams within the brook which in itself was causing a problem. The Parish Council was to pursue this matter with Severn Trent Water.

127/2018 REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES

There were no reports from outside bodies.

128/2018 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

19/0009/OUT – APPLICATION FOR OUTLINE PLANNING PERMISSION WITH ALL MATTERS RESERVED FOR THE ERECTION OF 2NO. DETACHED DWELLINGS, DOUBLE GARAGE AND ASSOCIATED WORKS AT 203 WALSALL ROAD, GREAT WYRLEY – MEMBERS HAD NO OBJECTION TO THIS APPLICATION.

19/00028/RETRE - CHANGE FROM MIXED USE SHOP TO RESIDENTIAL DWELLING TO INCORPORATE SHOP SPACE INTO FLAT ABOVE RESULTING IN LARGER ACCOMMODATION FOR A RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY AT G AND A SUPERMARKET 80 GORSEY LANE, GREAT WYRLEY - THE PARISH COUNCIL HAD NO OBJECTION TO THIS APPLICATION.

19/00053/FUL - TWO STOREY SIDE EXTENSION OVER EXISTING GARAGE INCLUDING INTERNAL EXTENSIONS REPLACEMENT OF EXISTING FLAT ROOF TO MONO-PITCHED ROOF AND SINGLE STOREY FRONT EXTENSION AT 2 LILAC LANE, GREAT WYRLEY - MEMBERS HAD NO OBJECTION TO THIS APPLICATION.

129/2018 REPORT OF OUTSTANDING ACCOUNTS

A report on the outstanding accounts for authorisation for payment was presented to Council and it was **resolved** that the report be accepted, approved and signed by the Chairman.

130/2019 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

Resolved that in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted that the public and press be excluded and that they are instructed to withdraw in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 Section 12.

The Parish Council **resolved** to follow the recommendations contained in the Chairman's Report.

The Chairman thanked everyone for their attendance and concluded the business before the Council.

The meeting closed at 8.10p.m.

Chairman