

GREAT WYRLEY PARISH COUNCIL

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

PRESENT:

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

Cllr. A. Kelsey Cllr. M. McKenzie Cllr. R. Myatt Cllr. A. Newell Cllr. A. Pearson	Cllr. R. J. Perry Cllr. Mrs. J. Smith Cllr. R. Smith Cllr. Mrs. S. Toddington
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ONE MINUTE'S SILENCE IN MEMORY OF PAST GREAT WYRLEY PARISH COUNCILLOR SUSAN (SUE) PLANT

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and unfortunately on this occasion needed to commence the meeting with sad news.

Many Councillors had known the longstanding Parish Councillor for Great Wyrley, Sue Plant. It was with regret that the Chairman needed to advise everyone that Sue Plant had passed away on 21st February, 2019. For those who wished to pay their last respects to Sue the funeral was to be held on Monday 18th March, at 11.15a.m. in the West Chapel of Bushbury Crematorium.

The Chairman then invited Members to observe one minute's silence in memory of Sue Plant who would be sadly missed.

131/2019 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllr. Mrs. J. A. Johnson, Cllr. J. C. Jones, Cllr. Mrs. K. M. Perry, Cllr. Mrs. S. M. Wood and Cllr. Mrs. K. A. Williams.

132/2019 MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Resolved that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 6th February, 2019 be accepted, approved and signed by the Chairman.

133/2019 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no Chairman's announcements on this occasion.

134/2019 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 he was now fully trained and would be completely operational shortly and accordingly, the Police cover in the village would be increased. This was noted.

Cllr. M. McKenzie advised PCSO Timmins that he had observed an unusually large amount of empty nitrous oxide canisters discarded at the rear of the Car Park to The Talbot Inn in Cheslyn Hay. This was noted.

135/2019 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no matters raised by the Members of the Public present in the gallery this evening.

136/2019 CLERK'S REPORTS

Members recalled that the Parish Council held a Public meeting on Friday 25th January, 2019. Unfortunately, Severn Trent Water let the Parish Council down at the eleventh hour and did not attend the meeting which was very disappointing. However, following on from the meeting there had been quite a development in terms of proposed improvements for the area.

Highlighted below are some of the issues of interest to both members of the Parish Council and residents alike:

- **Anson Close** - complaints about flooding. Unfortunately, not one of these reports was made to Severn Trent Water itself. Most of these faults are believed to be of a hydraulic nature and hydraulic surveys will now be carried out. CCTV imaging will be carried out and drain cleansing carried out where required.
- **Tower View Road** – apparently this issue comes under the jurisdiction of Staffordshire Highways. When it is raining nothing is going into the road gullies it travels down Lilac Lane, Bluebell Lane and Tower View Road, straight into the garden and garage of one property in Tower View Road.
– Staffordshire County Council is now carrying out a programme of works to clear the gullies.
- **Lingfield Drive** – There is an issue with ground water run-off from the field at the rear. A French drain was constructed in the field at the rear in the 1970's which has now collapsed and is in need of clearance and a rebuild.
In addition Network Rail has performed an illegal connection into the Severn Trent manhole. This issue is to be rectified forthwith.
- **Anson Close** – There is a problem with foul flooding from manhole 7402. This was also not reported to Severn Trent Water. This problem is to be rectified immediately and the drain cleansed to allow for free flow.
- **Landywood Lane** – There is a manhole in the road which blows within 10 minutes of any rain which does not appear to be mapped on Severn Trent's sewerage system. This manhole has now been added to Severn Trent's mapping system and the drain will be checked for all issues.
- **Walsall Road** – complaint of flooding from Station Road and Walsall Road. Observers have seen people washing their cars in these areas and the run off goes into the road, runs over several blocked gullies before entering the highway drainage system further down the road. This matter has been forwarded to Staffordshire County Council Highways and the drains will be cleared.
- **Holly Lane** – There is a gridded cover in the footpath outside a house in Holly Lane. Severn Trent did not believe that this cover came under its jurisdiction but sent out their Direct Labour Organisation to check on this issue. It has now been confirmed that the grid is not a Severn Trent Water asset and accordingly, this issue has been reported to Staffordshire County Council Highways.

A number of larger issues were still under consideration and it was hoped that

further information would be available for the next meeting of the Parish Council. However, in the meantime Members were asked to bear in mind that at the present time there was confusion relating to the responsibility for the collapsed French Drain on land in the Parish Council's ownership. This was noted.

137/2019 REQUEST FOR DONATION - MIDLANDS HEALTH AND SAFETY

Members recalled that this item was presented upon by Mr. C. Bott at the last meeting of the Parish Council. The issue had now been included on the agenda for a decision to be made on the matter.

Cllr. R. Myatt felt that it should be taken into account that Midlands Health and Safety Consultancy was a business and that there were other ways in which a donation could be made direct to The First Responders. This was noted.

Following discussion it was agreed by all Members that the First Responders were a fantastic organisation and that the Parish Council would be pleased to make a donation to the Midland Health and Safety Consultancy to reimburse the company for the hire of the room.

138/2019 MATTERS ARISING

5(a) REQUEST FOR FUNDING – WYRLEY VIPERS UNDER 8'S FOOTBALL TEAM

The Clerk advised the Parish Council that following the request from Wyrley Vipers for a donation towards its Presentation Evening, the Clerk had completed an application form on the applicant's behalf for funding from the District Council Members Budget. However, in this instance the Wyrley Viper's Under 8's had actually been able to secure a vacancy at the Football Headquarters and accordingly the team was no longer in need of the accommodation. This was noted.

5(b) CAMPAIGN TO REDUCE DOG FOULING

The Parish Council was advised that the Clerk had advised the District Council that it wished to take part in the campaign to reduce dog fouling but as yet she had not received any information on either the purchase price of the Tri Signs or the other items which would assist with this project. This was noted.

6(c) SLABS AT BUS STOP IN LANDYWOOD LANE

The Parish Council was advised that the slabbing to the base area at the bus stop in Landywood Lane had now been laid and it seemed to have resolved the issue.

6(d) NEW DOG BIN – THE STAR LAND

The Clerk advised the Parish Council that the new Dog Bin which had been requested at a previous meeting to be installed on Walsall Road had now been placed in position. The new Dog Bin had been installed in Walsall Road close to the Star Public House. Consultation with residents was carried out beforehand. This was noted.

6(e) WEST MIDLANDS INTERCHANGE

The Parish Council was advised that the preliminary hearing into the West Midlands Interchange had now taken place. Accordingly, the Collective would

be lodging its written submission by 3rd April, 2019. A copy of the Collective's submission would be circulated to Members prior to its being lodged with the Planning Inspectorate.

6(f) FENCING NETWORK RAIL CAR PARK

The Clerk advised the Parish Council that the metal fencing which had originally been requested by the Parish Council as the form of fencing to be utilised for the boundary treatment of the Rail Station car park had not met with the agreement of South Staffordshire Council due to cost implications. However, the District Council was prepared to provide concrete bollarding with a view to hedging in due course. Members agreed that this would be an acceptable boundary treatment. The Clerk was to advise South Staffordshire Council of the Parish Council's agreement to the course of action referred to above.

139/2019 COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Councillor Mrs. K. M. Perry was unable to be present on this occasion.

140/2019 DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Cllr. R. J. Perry advised the meeting that there was not a great deal of information to be reported upon activities relating to the District Council. However, he could advise the meeting that the Gypsy encampment had now been moved on from the car park serving St. Mark's Church and that the District Council was yet to be apprised of the Planning Inspectorate's decision on the Planning Appeal relating to 122 Streets Lane.

141/2019 PARISH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

There were no reports from Parish Councillors.

142/2019 REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES

FROG

Cllr. R. Myatt advised the meeting that following the refusal of the request for funding from the Parish Council to continue its works at the Memorial Garden, Cllr. Myatt had in fact taken the advice of the District Councillors and made an application to the District Council for funding for the works which had been successful. This was noted.

143/2018 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

19/00059/FUL – ORANGERY AT 70 WALSALL ROAD, CHURCHBRIDGE – THE PARISH COUNCIL HAD NO OBJECTIONS TO THIS APPLICATION.

19/00071/REM - RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT - ACCESS, APPEARANCE, LANDSCAPING, LAYOUT AND SCALE - TWAIN HOUSE, POOL VIEW, GREAT WYRLEY – THE PARISH COUNCIL HAD NO OBJECTION TO THIS APPLICATION.

19/00137/FUL - RETROSPECTIVE APPLICATION TO RETAIN REAR BOUNDARY FENCE AT 3 LICHFIELD CLOSE, GREAT WYRLEY – THE PARISH COUNCIL HAD NO OBJECTION TO THIS APPLICATION.

DEVELOPMENT AT 103 NORTON LANE, GREAT WYRLEY – THE PARISH COUNCIL HAD BEEN REQUESTED TO GIVE CONSIDERATION TO THE NAME OF A NEW DEVELOPMENT AT 103 NORTON LANE – THE CLERK WAS TO ADVISE THE DISTRICT COUNCIL THAT IT SUPPORTED THE

NAME WHICH HAD BEEN PUT FORWARD BY CLLR. MRS. K. M. PERRY – SPARROW GARDENS OR SPARROW CLOSE IN LINE WITH THE HISTORY OF THE AREA.

144/2018 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. Cllr. A. J. Kelsey declared an interest in this agenda item and did not enter into any discussion on this subject.

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

The meeting closed at 7.25p.m.

Chairman



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PARISH COUNCIL MEETING CRIME REPORT.

Public bodies can only disclose information if they have the power to do so. Section 115 of the Crime and Disorder Act provides a power to exchange information where disclosure is necessary to support the local Crime Reduction Strategy and Partnership in achieving the aims of the Crime and Disorder Reduction Strategy and objectives outlined within it.

The degree of disclosure that takes place must be proportionate and relevant to the level of social ill or criminality it is intended to counter or prevent.

The information is only to be processed in relation to crime and disorder purposes. Information will be handled in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998, the Human Rights Act 1998 and any other relevant legislation governing disclosures and will ultimately be disposed of in a secure manner.

Main headlines since the last meeting:

- Burglary residential ...3 shed breaks reported this month, Walsall Road, golf trolley and golf clubs taken. Holly Lane, 2 bikes taken. Lilac Lane, tools stolen, (Offender has been identified from DNA left at the scene of this incident).
- There have been 2 Transit vans stolen with tools from Gorsey Lane and Jacobs Hall Lane with the latter recovered in Little Wyrley. A VW transporter stolen from Walsall Road.
2 attempt thefts of cars in Oxford Close, nothing taken but damage caused to doors.
A Transit broken into and a wallet taken in Anson Road.
- ASB 18 reports of ASB this month:
A group of youths from the area account for the incidents at Kelchers opticians x 3 and Hong Kong takeaway x 2. We know the youths involved and they are been dealt with. Other youth related incidents in Dunston Close, Towerview Road, Norfolk Grove and Co-op.
Adult ASB with calls from Beech Court and Norfolk Grove.
Neighbour disputes in Telford Avenue x 4, South Staffs housing are dealing with this issue. 2 further neighbour issues in Collinwood Close and Kempton Drive.
1 report of a scrambler bike riding around Streets Lane

Incidents are been put out on smart alert and surgeries are advertised on Twitter and on 28th of this month, South staffs LPT will be holding an on line surgery for residents to make contact.

PCSO Chris Timmins is now out of training and independent so coverage of the area by PCSO's has been increased.



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POLICE**

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