

Heath Hayes & Wimblebury Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting,
Held on Wednesday 3rd October 2018.
Hayes Green Community Centre, Heath Hayes.

Present:

Cllrs A. Dean, (Chair), J. Bernard, M. Dean, D. Marsden, G. Wiggin, C. Woods.

In Attendance:

County Councillor B. Jones.
Residents: A. Hewitt, C. Thomas.
Clerk, R. Smythe.

Chair's Announcements and Public Participation.

Mr C. Thomas had attended to discuss the recent circus at Heath Hayes Park and suggestions about improvements and future use.

The following points were made and would be forwarded to Cannock Chase Council:

- Greater awareness of event arrangements. (Residents / Parish Council). This would avoid confusion and reduce complaints.
- Attractions should arrive and depart between 9am to 9pm to avoid unnecessary disruption of local residents.
- Ingress and egress to the park via the locked barrier, or by another access gate. This was to avoid the removal of the kick rail.
- Footpath clearance to existing footpaths. Some were obstructed.
- Agreed and advertised opening and closing times (6.30am to sunset). To avoid anti-social night time behaviour
- Pothole repairs on car park.
- Repainting changing facilities.
- Extension of earth bund on perimeter to replace the kick rail.
- Support for an independent "Friends" group or other groups for specific projects.
- Repairs to tyre marks on grassed area.
- Separate pedestrian access to car park. Considered a safety improvement.
- Cllr A. Dean would provide a copy of the Cannock Chase Council Action Plan.

RESOLVED: TO FORWARD THE ABOVE COMMENTS.

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1. Apologies. Consideration of acceptance of any apologies received in writing before the meeting.

1.1 The meeting began at 8.00pm with written apologies from Cllrs D. Baker, L. Bullock and J. Cooper. Verbal apologies were received on behalf of Cllr A. Bernard. The apologies were accepted.

RESOLVED: TO ACCEPT THE APOLOGIES.

1.2 Apologies were also received from County Councillors P. Hewitt and J. McMahon. Residents: S. Thompson and P. Haden.

2. Declarations of Interest and consideration of Dispensations on Agenda Items.

There were no declarations.

RESOLVED: NOTED.

3. To Approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on 5th September 2018 and consideration of any matters arising not on the agenda.

Approval of the minutes was proposed, seconded and agreed. There were no matters arising that were not dealt with elsewhere.

RESOLVED: TO APPROVE THE MINUTES.

4. Planning;

4.1 Applications dealt with by Planning Committee (NONE).

4.2 Decisions reported by Cannock Chase Council.

- **18/173 – 1 THISTLEDOWN DRIVE, HEATH HAYES.** First floor side extension.

RESOLVED: NOTED.

5. Grant Aid – January 2019. Update on current position.

It was reported that the grant procedure had started and had been advertised on the Council website, Facebook, noticeboards and newsletter.

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There was an invitation to apply by 30th November. The applications would be considered at the meeting on 9th January 2019. This would hopefully allow all interested parties to have time to apply and deal with all applicants at one meeting.

Recipients would be informed of the grant that would be made and the cheques authorised and presented at the Council meeting in April 2019. Those not attending would be sent their cheques in the post.

RESOLVED: TO NOTE AND AGREE THE REPORT.

6. Remembrance Sunday, 11th November – Present arrangements and developments.

6.1 Assemble at 9.30am at the Constitutional Club on Sunday 11th November. Service at 10.00am at Bourne Church. A procession along Hednesford Road for the 11.00am silence at Five Ways. Then a reading of the names of the fallen by Mr R. Fullelove BEM.

6.2 The Council would lay wreaths to remember the women who had given their lives and Cllr A. Dean had agreed to provide the public address system. Cllr A. Dean would lead the procession and place a wreath. Cllr M. Dean would place a wreath to remember the women.

6.3 It was agreed to continue to prepare as planned for the event.

6.4 Cllr A. Dean again stressed the need for volunteers to assist as marshalls. The arrangements and options for next year would be considered at the December meeting.

RESOLVED: TO CONFIRM THE ABOVE ARRANGEMENTS.

7. Remembrance Event at Wimblebury War Memorial on 4th November – Present arrangements and developments.

7.1 Cllr L. Bullock to lay a wreath on behalf of the Council. Cllr J. Aston would be asked to lay a wreath to remember the women. All Councillors were encouraged to attend.

7.2 Cllr A. Dean agreed to provide the PA. Reverend Glynne Watkin – To lead the Service.

7.3 It was agreed to place a frame for the wreaths and to edge the grassed area.

7.4 The event was on Facebook, website, newsletter. The Police, District Council, County Council, West Midlands Ambulance, Fire Service had all been informed.

RESOLVED: TO PROCEED AS ABOVE.

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8. Newsletter. Consideration of approval of draft issue.

A draft issue was circulated and with some minor updates, was approved for publication. The Council was pleased with the new layout.

RESOLVED: TO PUBLISH THE NEWSLETTER

9. Cannel Mount. Consideration of current position.

The Council received and agreed a report about site meetings and future plans to acquire information to properly manage the site. This matter would remain on the agenda.

RESOLVED: NOTED.

10. Gorsemoor Road. Consideration of suggestion of joint project with County Councillor J. McMahon regarding the junction with Hednesford Road.

This matter was deferred.

RESOLVED: TO DEFER.

11. Land between Cannock Road and Chapel Street. Update on current position and consideration of future action.

This matter was deferred.

RESOLVED: TO DEFER.

12. Traffic and Highway Matters. Update on current issues and consideration of further action.

It was reported that proposals for traffic calming were being investigated and would be sent to the Council in due course. It had been reported that a speed check in Heath Way had shown an average speed of 38 mph.

RESOLVED: NOTED.

13. Funding by the Designer Village for local needs. Consideration of a suggestion from Cllr G. Wiggin.

Cllr G. Wiggin provided Councillors with a document and invited the issue to be placed on the next agenda to discuss if there were any issues that could be pursued to improve the area. This was agreed.

RESOLVED: TO PLACE ON THE NEXT AGENDA.

14. Consideration of suggestion for possible future action regarding the brick base unit near to the retail units near the Hayes Green Community Centre. Consideration of a suggestion from Cllr G. Wiggin.

It was proposed, seconded and agreed to authorise Cllr G. Wiggin to approach Tesco about the brick base to discuss options for improvement.

RESOLVED: TO AUTHORISE CLLR G. WIGGIN TO ACT.

15. To note the Incoming and Outgoing Correspondence;

The list of incoming and outgoing (numbered 228 to 263/18) post was noted.

RESOLVED: NOTED.

16. Accounts for Payment.

Authorisation of the payments totalling £10,843.47, listed in Appendix A, was proposed by Cllr J. Bernard, seconded by Cllr G. Wiggin and agreed. Income of £36,600 (£36,500 Second instalment of the Precept and £100 donation from Rev. Glynne Watkin) was noted. The Council was very grateful for the kind donation.

RESOLVED: TO AUTHORISE THE PAYMENTS.

17. Date of Next Meeting.

The date was agreed as Wednesday 7th November 2018. Cllr A. Dean declared the meeting closed at 8.20pm and thanked those present for their attendance.

RESOLVED: TO MEET ON 7th NOVEMBER.

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