

Heath Hayes & Wimblebury Parish Council

Minutes of the Council Meeting. Wednesday 6th November 2019.
Hayes Green Community Centre, Heath Way, Heath Hayes.

Present:

Cllrs M. BATTERY (Chair) D. Baker, D. Bennett, J. Bernard, L. Bullock, A. Fitzgerald, P. Hewitt, S. Thompson.

In Attendance:

Clerk, R. Smythe.

Chair's Announcements and Public Participation.

Cllr M. BATTERY reported on a productive month since the last meeting:

- A vehicle barrier had been installed at Cannel Mount.
- The new sign had been installed at the Hayes Green Centre.
- A meditation group at the Centre had new members and would be continuing.
- Unfortunately, the Cannock Chase Drum Corps was no longer meeting but a karate club had taken over the hire on the Wednesday evenings.
- The Remembrance Event at Wimblebury had gone well and the Council thanked all those who attended, especially Revd. Glynne Watkin for his stewardship of the event and Cllr J. Aston for allowing the use of Wimblebury Community Centre for parking and for the hospitality after the event.
- The Prince's Trust project at the Hayes Green Centre had gone well and would be finished tomorrow (7th November).
- The Council wished our Caretaker, Mrs R. Woods, well with her recovery from a hospital procedure.
- The Council presented the Clerk with an inscribed glass to commemorate his 25th year of service to the Council and he thanked the Council.

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

Written apologies had been received from Cllrs J. Aston, P. Dadge, P. Ferraby, P. Haden and D. Todd. Apologies were also received from County Councillor B. Jones.

RESOLVED: TO ACCEPT THE APOLOGIES.

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

2.1 (Item 4 Planning) Cllr A. Fitzgerald took no part as she is a member of the Planning Committee at Cannock Chase Council.

2.2 (Also Item 4. 41. 19/373) Cllr S. Thompson declared an interest. (Applicant known). She took no part in the matter and did not vote.

RESOLVED: NOTED.

3. To Approve the Minutes of the Meeting on 2nd October 2019 and consideration of any matters arising not on the agenda.

Approval of the minutes was proposed, seconded and agreed. There were no matters arising.

RESOLVED: TO APPROVE THE MINUTES.

4. Planning.

4.1 Applications dealt with by Planning Committee (no objections):

- **19/338 – 18 KNIGHTON ROAD, WIMBLEBURY.** Single storey rear extension.
- **19/373 – 284 CANNOCK ROAD, HEATH HAYES.** Application to vary conditions from 13/146 to allow each property to have a vehicle access point.
- **19/379 – 22 WOODPECKER WAY, HEATH HAYES.** New detached garage.

4.2 Decisions reported by the District Council:

The Council noted the approval of the following applications:

- **19/298 – GEM CARPETS, HEDNESFORD ROAD, HEATH HAYES.**
Proposed new finishes to exterior; resubmission of application CH/18/448 Insert new display window to front elevation and new finishes to some external walls. First floor flat roof to be faced in decorative rainscreen cladding of shiplap profile with grey granite finish. Handrails to ramps/steps to be painted dark grey.
- **19/322 – 1 WHEATLANDS CLOSE, HEATH HAYES.** Two storey side extension and new garden wall and gate.

- **19/337 – 12 GREEN MEADOWS, HEATH HAYES.** Repositioning of 6’ tall rear garden fence to the border of the property.
- **19/340 – 10 SALISBURY DRIVE, HEATH HAYES.** First floor side extension, garage conversion and detached garage (resubmission of 19/266).

RESOLVED: NOTED AND AGREED.

5. Review of Remembrance Event in Wimblebury on 3rd November.

The Council had agreed that the event had gone as planned:

- Reverend Glynne Watkin had organised an Order of Service.
- Assembly was at 10.40am, the event was timed to hold the silence at 11.00am.
- Cllr M. Buttery read the names of the fallen.
- Cllr J. Aston had arranged for parking at Wimblebury Community Centre and had provided light refreshments after the event. A letter of thanks had been sent.
- The arrangements for the 2020 event would be reviewed in January 2020.

RESOLVED: TO REVIEW THE ARRANGEMENTS IN JANUARY 2020.

6. Remembrance Sunday 10th November – Confirmation of arrangements.

5.1 The Parish Council was organising the event at the Memorial Gates with a silence planned for 11am. Mr Reg Fullelove (Reading) and Reverend Glynne Watkin would be attending. Councillors were encouraged to attend.

5.2 There would be services at St John’s at 10.00am and 11.00am and at the Bourne Methodist Church at 10am.

5.3 It had not been possible to confirm adequate police attendance and with the amount of vehicular traffic that is affected, the Council was disappointed that it had not been able to organise a Parade and would be reviewing the event and future plans in January 2020.

RESOLVED: NOTED.

7. Cannel Mount. Consideration of current position and further action.

7.1 It was reported that the vehicle barrier had been installed.

7.2 The site had been offered to the Prince’s Trust as a potential location.

RESOLVED: NOTED.

8. Prince's Trust Project at HGCC. Current position and future action.

The project was planned to be completed tomorrow (7th November) and had been a great success with the following results:

- Repairs and repainting of the fences and benches.
- Development of the Forest Garden with visual stimuli, a bird box, bug hotel and clearance of the area to improve appearance and security.
- Jet washing of the paved areas, weed clearance and pruning.

The Council was very pleased with the project and a certificate would be presented to the group to thank them for their work. Individual letters of thanks had also been provided for every volunteer to add to their CVs to help them gain employment.

RESOLVED: TO CONGRATULATE AND THANK THE GROUP.

9. Litter Picking Project. Current position and future plans.

The next litter pick event had been organised for Saturday 16th November. Meeting at the Hayes Green Centre car park at 10.30am. The event had been advertised on the Council's website and Facebook. Councillors were encouraged to attend.

RESOLVED: TO HOLD A LITTER PICK ON 16th NOVEMBER.

10. Grant Aid – January 2020. Update on current position.

A report on submitted applications would be provided prior to the January meeting.

RESOLVED: NOTED.

11. Christmas Lights. Current position and future plans.

Cllr S. Thompson reported she was organising a business window display competition. The advert had been included in the November report. The date for the street decorations to be switched on was 6th December.

RESOLVED: NOTED.

12. Dementia Friendly issues in the area. Current position and future plans.

12.1 It was reported that Cllr P. Haden had been liaising with the local schools to promote the project.

12.2 It was reported that Cllr D. Todd was arranging for monthly afternoon teas at Heath Hayes Library, as well as meetings for the Steering Group and promoting events on their Facebook Group.

RESOLVED: NOTED.

13. To note the incoming and outgoing correspondence.

The incoming post and outgoing post, numbered 163 to 189/19 was noted.

RESOLVED: NOTED.

14. Accounts for Payment.

Authorisation of the payments of £1,480.30 listed in Appendix A was proposed by Cllr J. Bernard, seconded by Cllr L. Bullock and agreed.

RESOLVED: TO AUTHORISE THE ABOVE PAYMENTS.

15. Items of report for information only or future agendas.

15.1 It was reported that the period of notice for a Speedwatch event being required by the police was three hours. It was suggested that consideration could be given to some events connected with the changes in traffic flow due to roadworks.

15.2 Environmental Issues – requested by Cllr P. Hewitt.

RESOLVED: NOTED.

16. Date of Next Meeting – 4th December.

This was agreed as Wednesday 4th December 2019. Cllr M. Buttery invited all Councillors to attend Remembrance Sunday on 10th November and then declared the meeting closed at 8.15pm and thanked those present for their attendance.

RESOLVED: TO NEXT MEET ON 4th DECEMBER.