

## Minutes of the Meeting of Kinwarton Parish Council

### Alcester Academy Monday 03 December 2018

Present:	Mrs M Moore	MM	chair
	Cllr M Staley	MS	vice chair
	Cllr J Kinnersley	JK	
	Cllr R Andrews	BA	
	Cllr J Cooper	JC	
	Cllr K Rees	KR	
	Cllr J Vining	JV	
	Cllr M Cargill	MC	
	PCSO B Morris	BM	
	Mrs M Skelton		clerk

#### 1. Confirmation of the Minutes of the last meeting held on 05 November 2018

The chair opened the meeting and welcomed PCSO Morris.

The minutes of the last meeting were taken as read.

Proposed KR seconded JK

#### 2. Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllrs. Gittus & Armstrong

#### 3. Disclosure of interests

JK – item 4 (j)

BA – item 4(i)

#### 4. Matters arising from the Minutes

##### a) St Mary's Park

- Pollarding of the willows on adjoining land has been completed.  
A complaint was received from a nearby resident regarding the clerk's failure to advise of imminent works and requested that any future works should be made known to any residents affected. The clerk sought the councillors' advice regarding future works and it was agreed that alerting residents to scheduled works was not a requirement.
- The dumped armchair has been removed.

##### b) Street light change to LED

- The outstanding street lamp outside 1 Barlich Way has been updated.  
The upgrading of the street lamps is now complete.

##### c) Marla Tubes security fencing

- MC continues to chase WCH & the Planning Dept for an update on this matter but has not received a response.
- MC pledged to continue to monitor.

##### d) Grass verge damage top of Captains Hill

- WCH repair still outstanding.
- PCSO Morris to contact the owner of the van which frequently parks on the grass verge and advise against doing so.

- e) Online banking
  - Up and running.
  - Savings plan to be initiated.
  
- f) Planning App 18/01242/FUL Gas Power Station A46
  - MC advised that a third planning officer had been assigned to this case. An environmental impact study had shown significant evidence against the project and the application had subsequently been withdrawn.
  
- g) Parish Plan Actions
  - Speeding traffic – see MC’s report below.
  - Traffic safety Throckmorton Road - no response from G. Callard or A. Caldwell-Jones. PCSO Morris pledged to follow this matter up.
  - Poor repair of footpath to Coughton Fields Lane – MC/David Ellison to deal.
  - Dog fouling – additional dog waste bin has been ordered.
  - Lack of police presence – PCSO Morris outlined the shift patterns and officers present on each.
  
- h) Trees on Captains Hill
  - On-going issues which do not seem to be fully comprehended by WCC.
  - Clerk has invited G Callard & WCH to attend site 8-9 am school/work rush hour – no response from either.
  - PCSO Morris to take up this matter.
  
- i) Moss growth Wain Close/Seymour Road
  - KR reported that a treatment had caused some of the moss to turn brown.
  - C Andrews Garden Services has further treatments scheduled
  
- j) Donation to St Mary’s Churchyard
  - JC proposed £500 seconded BA all in agreement.
  
- k) Mayor’s Awards Evening
  - JC attended and reported on a very impressive event which showcased achievements and contributions of residents.
  
- l) WALC AGM
  - MM attended and reported an interesting AGM.

**5. Financial Matters**

Limebridge	inv 1099	£100.80
Limebridge	inv 1083	£249.60
WCC	inv 10214994	£13,282.38
Additional -	Item 4(j) above	£500.00

Proposed JK Seconded BA  
 To be paid by direct bank transfer going forward.

## 6. Correspondence

- a) Planning Application 11 Kinnersley Road
  - No objections
- b) CPRE Winter magazine
  - Circulated
  - JC had attended AGM where CPRE reported that sadly more and more development applications were being accepted and developers are ever adept at successfully navigating the planning process.

## 7. AOB

- a) Letter of thanks received from Nina Knapman following donation from KPC
- b) Election Timetable for 2019 presented.
- c) Cllr Cargill's report
  - Warwickshire & West Mercia Police forces have 'divorced' prompted by West Mercia. Significant savings engendered by the agreement have therefore been lost. Warwickshire PF will now feel this impact financially and much work to limit the damage will be required going forward. SDC have recently injected £750,000 into CCTV upgrade. Options going forward are to increase the precept or to associate with another police force in the West Midlands. Also possibility of merging with fire and rescue services.
  - An increase in homelessness in the district. A significant cost to the council with only some government funding. SDC has bought property in the town to provide a part solution to this problem.
  - Rural broadband scheme to improve the service. 23 suppliers recently invited to attend a meeting and 3-4 selected to provide service. Some government funding available.
  - Noted the sad loss of Eric Payne and the recent centenary celebrations and Cllr Gittus effort in achieving.
  - Speedwatch still on-going and possible chicanes to be installed.
- d) PCSO Morris report
  - Discussion re police visibility
  - Reported on police handling of recent traveller camping on bus turning circle at Alcester Academy.
  - 2 recent burglaries at commercial premises on the industrial estate
  - ASB on The Pastures estate reported.
  - A lot of vehicle crime and contactless card crime in the area.
  - Police can supply wallets which prevent 'poaching' of contactless cards by proximity.
  - Most of the burglaries thought to be by a gang from Kings Heath.
  - 5 Warks officers consist of 2 at Alcester, 2 safer neighbourhood and 1 sergeant. SonA 2 cars = 4 officers plus 2 in the town.

e) The Pastures

- KR reported that the hibernation mounds had been dis-mantled by the environmental co. who effected the attenuation pond. The blocks had been removed and replaced with soil and grassed over. It is not clear whether the mounds are being used.

**Date & time of the next meeting:** Monday 7 January 2019 at 7.30pm

Signed..... Date.....