Heath Hayes & Wimblebury Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting. Held on Wednesday 3rd July 2019. Hayes Green Community Centre, Heath Way, Heath Hayes.

Present:

Cllrs P. Haden (Chair), J. Aston, D. Baker, D. Bennett, J. Bernard, L. Bullock, P. Dadge, A. Fitzgerald, P. Hewitt, S. Thompson, D. Todd.

County Councillor B. Jones and one member of the public. Clerk, R. Smythe.

Chair's Announcements and Public Participation.

Cllr P. Haden welcomed everyone to the meeting and reported:

- The Memorial Benches Commissioning Event would take place on Sunday 28th July, commencing at 2.30pm.
- The new hi-vis vests for community projects had been delivered.
- Jane Johns had organised a litterpick for Saturday 6th July, stating at 10.30am at the Hayes Green Centre.
- The Staffordshire Council for Voluntary Youth Services would be holding an event at the Haye Green Centre between 1pm to 4pm on Wednesday 10th July.
- The Cherished Coffee Shop had been in operation for a year and there would be a celebration on Wednesday 10th July between 11am to 1pm.
- Internet access was now provided at the Centre by the Community Life Church.
- The CLC Summer Party would be held on 7th August.

There were no matters arising from Public Participation.

- The CLC Christmas Party would be held on 30th November.
- There would be pupils from Kingsmead School working on Cannel Mount between 10am to 1pm on Monday 15th to Thursday 18th July. All Councillors were encouraged to attend.

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

The meeting began at 7.35pm with written apologies being received and accepted from Cllrs M. Buttery and P. Ferraby.

County Councillor J. McMahon and Mr C. Woods had also submitted their apologies.

RESOLVED: TO ACCEPT THE APOLOGIES.

2. Declarations of Interest and Dispensations on Agenda items.

There were none.

3. To Approve the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 5th June 2019 and any matters arising not already covered on the agenda.

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

RESOLVED: TO APPROVE THE MINUTES.

4. Planning.

RESOLVED: NOTED.

4.1 Applications dealt with by the Planning Committee.

There were no applications dealt with. One application had just been received and would be reported about at the next meeting.

4.2 Decisions reported by Cannock Chase Council.

- 19/060 9 FREMANTLE DRIVE, HEATH HAYES. Two storey side extension and conversion of garage. (APPROVED).
- 19/152 213 GORSEMOOR ROAD, HEATH HAYES. First floor side extension and internal works. (REFUSED).
- 19/165 13 GREEN MEADOWS, HEATH HAYES. First floor extension over existing garage plus garage extension. (REFUSED).

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5. Report of Meetings.

The Clerk reported he had met with Graham Hunt, the new Clerk for Burntwood Town Council to discuss matters of mutual interest and potential joint projects.

Further meetings and any matters for the Council to consider would be reported in due course.

RESOLVED: NOTED.

6. Village Green Application.

A letter about the position had been received from the County Council before the last meeting but was not in time for that agenda. The letter had been sent out a month ago and again for this meeting and the County Council had asked for a reply on 4th July.

The Council discussed the matter at length. The history of the area as well as current and future use.

The Council felt that the area was underused and a potential problem until some positive decision was taken. It was also felt that the best course of action would be to not ask to take over the application of the Village Green Application as any legal costs would be better spent elsewhere.

It was also agreed to ask the County Council to maintain a pedestrian route through the site and to have some green space on the site should there be any plans for development. The Council would also like to be involved in discussions for the future development of the area.

RESOLVED: TO NOT TAKE OVER RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE APPLICATION.

7. Dementia Friendly Status.

There would be a training session commencing at 6.00pm on Wednesday 10th July at Heath Hayes Library and all Councillors were invited to attend. It was reported that Norton Canes Council and local businesses had been invited.

The Council wanted the area to become Dementia Friendly and this was another event held towards that aim.

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8. School Parking.

This matter was discussed at length and the following points were made:

• Five Ways School would like a volunteer(s) to assist with putting out the parking buddies at 2.30pm and returning them at 3.30pm each school day. It was agreed

to put this on Facebook.

• There had been reports of illegal and dangerous driving as well as parking and it

was agreed to continue to liaise with the schools, local PCSOs and Clear Streets.

• Clear Streets had issued 23 tickets issued in the area in the last year, with 22 paid

and one cancelled. The statistics were circulated.

• Cllr P. Hewitt agreed to ask about how many Enforcement Officers were

available and how their work priorities were determined.

• It was agreed that the Chair and Clerk would investigate having meetings with the

PCSOs, schools and Clear Streets to continue to discuss options.

RESOLVED: NOTED.

9. Litter Picking Project.

9.1 The next event would be at the Hayes Green Centre at 10.30am on Saturday 6th July.

9.2 Provisional list of dates and locations for future events.

It was agreed to plan a strategic approach to the litterpicking timetable to cover dates and locations. This would be on the next agenda.

RESOLVED: TO PLAN FUTURE EVENTS.

10. Remembrance Events.

10.1 Wimblebury 3rd November.

10.2 Heath Hayes 10th November. It was agreed to liaise with the Constitutional Club.

10.3 Memorial Benches Sunday 28th July at 2.30pm

It was agreed to continue to make the arrangements and to report on developments.

RESOLVED: TO SUPPORT THE EVENTS.
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11. Cannel Mount.

It was reported that there would be a community event from Monday 15th to Thursday 18th July with pupils from Kingsmead Schools. Various education and ecological projects as well as path clearance and litterpicking would be undertaken.

Councillors were encouraged to attend.

RESOLVED: NOTED.

12. Staffordshire County Council Draft Revised Statement of Community Involvement.

The Council had no comment.

RESOLVED: NOTED.

13. Community Infrastructure Levy. Consideration of approval of 2018-19 report.

It was proposed, seconded and agreed to approve and publish the report as required.

RESOLVED: TO APPROVE AND PUBLISH THE REPORT.

14. To note the incoming and outgoing correspondence.

The list of incoming post and outgoing post, numbered 83 to 97/19 was noted.

RESOLVED: NOTED.

15. Accounts for Payment.

The cheques, listed in Appendix A £984.38 were presented for payment. Authority to pay the expenditure was proposed by Cllr L. Bullock, seconded by Cllr D. Baker and agreed.

RESOLVED: TO AUTHORISE THE LISTED PAYMENTS.

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16. Items for Information and Future Agendas.

- 16.1 Councillors were invited to send any items to the Clerk for the next agenda.
- 16.2 The Open Spaces Committee agreed:
 - To look at a report of a blocked footpath near to Five Ways School.
 - To investigate the viability of funding a gardener.

RESOLVED: TO MEET ON 4th SEPTEMBER.

• To investigate the options for restarting our participation on the Best Kept Village competition.

16.3 Cllr A. Fitzgerald reported that she would start holding a monthly surgery at the Hayes Green Centre at 12.30pm on the second Friday of the month (11th July).

RESOLVED: NOTED.

17. Date of Next Meeting.

The next meeting would be on Wednesday 4th September 2019. Cllr P. Haden thanked those present for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at 8.30pm.

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