

Malvern Wells Parish Council

Minutes of full Council Meeting held on Wednesday 28th September 2022 at 7:30pm at Malvern Wells Village Hall

Present

Cllrs. C O'Donnell (Chair), B Knibb, A Pitt, C Gates, D Booker, K Wagstaff J Black, D Preece.

In Attendance

Mrs S Hart (Clerk), 13 members of the public, District Councillor John Gallagher

Public participation –

PC Joanne Tredwell and PCSO Karen Watson gave a brief talk about Smartwater and gave updates on the charter policies and speeding (avge speed recorded was 25.89mph). They are putting together an information pack regarding cold callers which we be trialled with 150-200 homes, targeting the areas where they are aware that this is an issue. They encouraged everyone to sign up to [Neighbourhood Matters](#) where residents can sign up to see the latest alerts or receive updates.

Members of the public raised concerns with the Council on the subject of the Bloor Homes land off Hanley Road.

1. Apologies

a) There were apologies received for Cllrs P Stanier and G Turrell.

2. Declarations of Interest

a) **Register of Interests:** there were none.

b) **Disclosable Pecuniary Interests:** there were none.

c) **To declare any Other Disclosable Interests in items on the agenda and their nature:** there were none.

d) **Written requests for the council to grant a dispensation:** there were none.

3. Policing

a) It was **decided** to keep the policing priorities (for Oct-Dec) the same as the last quarter, which were **agreed** as: speeding, other traffic offenses and peddlers.

4. Minutes

a) The minutes of the previous council meeting held on 27th July 2022 were **agreed** as an accurate record and signed by the chair.

5. Financial Matters

a) The payment of accounts was **approved**:

b) It was **noted** that the external audit was complete and there were no matters for consideration.

6. Events Working Group

a) The **decision** to cancel the fete due to the death of Her Majesty the Queen was **ratified**.

b) The report from the events working group was **noted**.

c) The expenditure report for the fete was **noted**.

- d) It was **decided** that the unused tombola items would be shared between the primary schools. Any items that would be out of date before the schools could use them would be available to councillors on receipt of a donation equivalent to the cost of the item.

A request was made that the vote be recorded¹:

Votes for: C O'Donnell (Chair), B Knibb, A Pitt, C Gates, D Booker, J Black, D Preece,
Votes against: There were none

- e) It was **decided** to register as a creditor of the picnic table supplier.
f) It was agreed to **defer** a decision on the ongoing remit and management of the events working group to the next meeting.

7. Planning

- a) It was **resolved** to make the following comments:

i. **Application number : M/22/00971/HP**

Location: Outpost, 35 Wyche Road, Malvern, WR14 4EF

Description of Proposal: Proposed side extension to existing garden studio with repairs & alterations to internal layout

Amendment:

The red line boundary has been amended to reflect the correct ownership boundaries

Malvern Wells Parish Council has no objection to this application.

ii. **Application number: M/22/01044/CU**

Location: 146 Upper Welland Road, Malvern, WR14 4LA

Description of proposal: Change of use of 146 Upper Welland Road to fully residential use (C3)

Malvern Wells Parish Council has no objection to this application, however it would like to see a condition which would ensure that the exterior of the property is made more sympathetic to the surrounding character of the area, for example removing of the white plastic boarding.

- b) It was **agreed** to make no comment on the Bloor Homes consultation regarding land off Hanley Road.
c) Neighbourhood Development Plan
i. It was **agreed** to remove the requirement for non-councillor members to disclose pecuniary interests from the NDP Working Group terms of reference.
ii. There was no vote to appoint councillors to represent the North and West of the parish on the NDP Working Group.

8. Correspondence

- a) The results of the boundary review were **noted**.
b) The council considered Harriet Baldwin's request and **agreed** to put her contact details in the Wells News.
c) It was **agreed** to remain opted in to the next 5 year round of external audit organised by SAAA.

9. District and County Councillor reports

- a) The District Council has been awarded £2.5 million from the [Strategic Prosperity Fund](#). Councillor Gallagher is on one of the three panels deciding how to spend the funds, and

¹ Local Government Act 1972 Sch12, para 13 "On the requisition of any member of the council the voting on any question shall be recorded so as to show whether each member present and voting gave his vote for or against that question."

requested that the council bring forward some ideas of what might be needed in the Wells. Councillor Gallagher is also on the Championing Poverty panel which looks at ways in which those struggling can be helped. He can be contacted directly about both topics.

10. Any other matters to report or for future consideration.

- a) It was **noted** that the gas lamp painting is now complete, except for a couple of numbers which need to be checked.
- b) It was **noted** that one of the council VAS units was broken – perhaps by a lorry – and the clerk is pursuing an insurance claim.
- c) It was **noted** that the clerk has completed and passed the CiLCA qualification.

11. Meeting date

- a) The date of the next scheduled meeting was **noted** as 2nd November.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9:40pm.

Date.....

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