

HALSALL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Halsall Parish Council held on 10th January 2018 at 7.30 p.m. in the Memorial Hall, Halsall Road, Halsall.

PRESENT: Cllr. B Young (Chairman), Cllr. R Brookfield, Cllr. E Wright, Cllr. P Bell, Cllr. N Campbell, Borough Councillor M Mills, D Bond (Parish Clerk) and 3 members of the public

01/01/2018 Apologies

Apologies received and accepted from Cllrs. L Campbell, D Corfield and S Corfield

02/01/2018 Declarations of Interest

None

03/01/2018 Borough Councillor's Report followed by open forum for 15 minutes for matters raised by members of the public

Borough Councillor M Mills presented her report.

The planning application for 14a New Cut Lane approved by the planning committee on 14th December 2017 and the response from Terry Broderick dated 20th December 2017 to our letter dated 14th December 2017 was also discussed and following discussion it was **Resolved** that the Council respond to the Borough Solicitor at WLBC to say that Halsall Parish Council will not seek a judicial review following the decision but would ask WLBC to urgently bring to bear whatever pressure it can, primarily with Lancashire County Council, to begin solving the long standing flooding problem.

Action: Cllr. P Bell agreed to draft letter and forward it to the Clerk for submission.

In addition Borough Councillor M Mills agreed to write to David Owen (Borough Engineer) to ask for a progress report re what can be done to address the flooding issue in New Cut Lane

The poor lighting along New Cut Lane was also discussed and the Clerk was asked to follow up his request for double bank lights to be installed.

The Clerk was also made aware that parking restrictions in the bus layby opposite New Street garage had not yet been put into place and said that he would ask for an update.

04/01/2018 To approve and sign as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 13th December 2017

Resolved: That the minutes, having been circulated, were accepted and that be signed as a correct record

05/01/2018 Parish Clerk's Report

The report having already been circulated was accepted without comment.

06/01/2018 Reports from Representatives

LALC – Next meeting to be held on 18th January

Ormskirk School Foundation Governor – Nothing to report

CAAP – Nothing to report

Signed:

Chairman

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07/01/2018 Planning

2017/1101/FUL - Kilty House, New Cut Lane - The placement of a prefabricated guest lodge within the grounds of Kilty House – No comment

2017/1185/FUL - 7 Linaker Drive - Demolition of brick out-building Erection of detached garage with pitched roof Relocation of heating oil tank – No comment

2017/1247/FUL - 36 Summerwood Lane - Single storey extension to rear, two storey extension to side, loft conversion including two dormers, porch to front elevation and internal and external alterations – No comment

2017/1287/FUL - High Trees Barn, Plex Moss Lane - Proposed two storey rear extension to existing dwelling – No comment

08/01/2018 To receive updates from Working Groups and discuss and decide what further action to take.

Fracking – Update received under agenda item 3 from Cllr. Mills

Cllr. E Wright said that she would send a report to the EA on the increased level of radioactivity following fracking in advance of the meeting to be held on Tuesday 16th January and include the subject on the agenda that she is producing for the meeting

Transportation – Cllr. N Campbell said that we should run a ‘USE IT OR LOSE IT’ campaign when advertising the new 315 bus service and the Clerk responded to say that it had been advertised as such both in the Halsall News and on the Halsall Parish Website

Cllr. R Brookfield queried how the 315 route had been arrived at as it does not include Summerwood Lane and the Clerk responded that he had asked Andrew Varley for an explanation and would remind him that he has yet to provide the information

Action: Clerk to follow up with LCC

Flooding – Covered under item 3

09/01/2018 To further discuss and decide upon request for S137 grant

Following discussion it was **Resolved** that the Council, in accordance with its powers under Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972, should incur the following expenditure which, in the opinion of the Council, is in the interest of the area and its inhabitants and will benefit them in a manner commensurate with the expenditure.

Halsall Memorial Hall Trust £300

10/01/2018 To discuss and decide how the Council wishes to respond to the request for comments on Lancashire County Council’s Budget Proposals for 2018/19

Following discussion it was **Resolved** that the Council comments as follows:

That more monies be spent improving highways and public transport

Concern was also expressed about LCC’s forward projection.

Action: Clerk to respond to LCC’s request accordingly

Signed:

Chairman

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11/01/2018 Finance

11.1. To approve Schedule of Payments.

Resolved: That the following are approved for payment:

| <u>Chq No /</u> | <u>D.D</u> | <u>Payee</u> | <u>Amount</u> £ |
|-----------------------|------------|------------------------------|--------------------|
| Direct Debits: | | | |
| | | Water Plus | 13.09 |
| | | Water Plus | 4.24 |
| | | Nat West Safe Custody Charge | 25.00 |

For authorisation:

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| 1804 | D Bond – Sal £516.80 Mil-£ 29.90 Exp £ 45.00 | 591.70 |
| 1805 | HMRC | 387.60 |
| 1806 | J Forshaw | 180.00 |
| 1807 | P Judd | 129.60 |
| 1808 | P Walsh | 27.00 |
| 1809 | SHREW – S137 Grant | 75.00 |

11.2. Financial Statement presented and received / bank balances agreed to reconciliation and duly signed as a correct record.

11.3. To further discuss and suggest ways in which available S106/CIL monies should be spent and if necessary decide what action to take to ensure that the money is spent on Halsall Parish projects – Chairman updated Council on the position with regard to the planning application submitted to improve facilities at The Memorial Hall

11.4. To discuss and decide whether to agree the 2018/19 Budget and Precept Proposal put forward by the Clerk and decide whether to apply for Matched Capital Funding if available

Resolved: That the budget figure of £36,237 be agreed and that the precept be set at £17,050 and that no application for Matched Capital Funding be made

Action: Clerk to advise WLBC accordingly

Date and time of next meeting: Wednesday 14th February 2018 at 7.00 pm at St Aidans Hall, Renacres Lane, Shirdley Hill, Halsall.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.00 p.m.

Signed:

Chairman

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