

Wingerworth Parish Council

Minutes of meeting of Council on 6 March 2019

Present:

Councillor Diana Ruff (Chair)
Councillor Margaret Millar
Councillor Pat Antcliff
Councillor Nick Knyhynyckyj
Councillor Andy Pashley
Councillor Trevor Collins

Councillor Geoff Ruff
Councillor Cecilia Harper
Councillor Anne Knyhynyckyj
Councillor Colin Berry
Councillor Chris Hutchings

Charlotte Taylor (Clerk)

District Councillor David Hancock and 19 members of the public

The Chair commenced the meeting with an update on comments made on social media. It was confirmed that the matter had been addressed, and where necessary comments amended. The Clerk will monitor posts on Facebook and seek legal advice if necessary.

1. Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Kevin Broughton, Craig Hodgson and Michael Hardman.
2. Variation of order of business – there were no requests received.
3. Declaration of interests – there was a declaration of interest from Councillor Pat Antcliff in respect of agenda item 10 (Planning).
4. Public Forum

Councillor Hancock provided an update on the works to the pavements on Adlington, work had commenced but has been halted, and this is pending further information as to why.

Councillor Hancock also invited members and residents to attend Tupton Local History Society's presentation on 7 March, sharing archeological findings from the Hanging Banks site.

A member of the Footpath Advisory Group enquired about the management of the Avenue site. It was agreed that the Clerk would pick this up with Homes England to confirm who will be responsible when they hand the site over.

There was a question about the implications of the proposed café on the Allendale shops, it was confirmed that at present this was unknown and would be considered, if necessary, once the consultation exercise is complete.

There were two further queries in regard to the consultation, specifically the third option and the polling boxes. It was confirmed that the loans board required a third option due to the amount of borrowing required and the Clerk will contact NEDDC to see if further polling boxes can be obtained.

There was a question raised about the land purchase from NEDDC, it was confirmed that this is in progress and if the option of a new build is chosen, it would be sited on this section of land. The cost of the land is £4,200 and it was confirmed that this is included in the proposal for the new build.

Finally there was a question about the next phase of works on the Deer Park, it was confirmed that this is due to take place in the next couple of weeks.

5. Minutes of the previous minutes – approved and noted.

6. Chair's announcements

The Chair thanked all Councillors for their assistance in preparing and delivering consultation forms to residents.

The Chair reported on one additional meeting, which is not covered on the agenda. This was with the LEADER team, it was confirmed that the deadline has been extended to the end of June 2019 to allow all existing applicants to complete the process. It was reported that two million pounds has been spent on rural communities as part of this project.

The Chair informed Councillors that nomination packs for the parish elections due to take place on May 2019 are now available.

7. Clerk's report – the following items of information were noted:

7.1 NEDDC - Standing as a District Councillor in North East Derbyshire document circulated.

7.2 Summary of Councillor document and key dates for elections. NEDDC are holding an additional Candidates and Agents briefing on Wednesday 13 March 2019 at 6:00pm

7.3 Litter Pick – 23 March 2019, commencing at 9:00am in the Parish Hall car park. It was confirmed that Mike Sims will coordinate the event and all volunteers are welcome.

7.4 Parish and Town Council Liaison Forum Revision to Date of Meeting 3 April 2019 6:00pm.

7.5 Watersafe contractor's reports following disinfection of tanks at three sites circulated.

7.6 Comments received – New Build/Remodelling circulated.

7.7 Report on Parish consultation.

7.8 Reports from residents of incidents in Hardwick Wood, including felling of TPO trees – it was reported that a site visit has now been completed, although due to lack of evidence no further action is to be taken at this time. The Chair has a follow up meeting with residents on Friday.

7.9 Communication from resident regarding state of verges and footpath parking – it was requested that the Clerk liaise with DCC Highways regarding ongoing issues (including vehicular access, especially larger vehicles).

7.10 Late item. Communication from NEDDC regarding Gypsy & Traveller Hearing Session – 13 March 2019 commencing at 10:00am.

7.11 Late item. DCC open day Wingerworth Library Wednesday 13 March 12:00-6:00pm

7.12 Late item. Communication from Stancliffe Homes – it was requested that the Clerk invite the developers to attend the April meeting.

8. Clerk's Report – Matters for Decision

8.1 Appoint internal auditor – it was resolved to appoint Brian Wood as the internal auditor for 2018-19.

8.2 Insurance renewal report – it was resolved to proceed with the cheapest of the four quotes provided.

- 8.3 Review of NEDDC grounds maintenance contract – it was resolved to proceed with the existing grounds maintenance contract. It was requested that the Clerk contact NEDDC for a schedule of maintenance dates.
- 8.4 Request for Clerk to attend AAT training – approved.
- 8.5 Review of Direct Debits and Standing Orders – approved.
- 8.6 Late item. Review of trade waste collection at churchyard – it was resolved to discuss options for managing and potentially composting waste in line with their eco church policy.
- 8.7 Late item. Update to agreement with Bowling Club – it was resolved to accept the amendments to the agreement.

9. Derbyshire Association of Local Councils

- 9.1 DALC Circular 03/2019 circulated:
 - 9.1.1 Spring Seminar – “Achieving more for your Community”
 - 9.1.2 Preparations for a no-deal Brexit and local elections
 - 9.1.3 Final local government finance settlement
 - 9.1.4 Parliamentary Inquiry into ethical standards in local government published
 - 9.1.5 HR Advice on Short Service Contracts and Dismissals
 - 9.1.6 Open letter to Councillors from NALC Chair
 - 9.1.7 Great British Spring Clean 2019
 - 9.1.8 Arnold-Baker on Local Council Administration 11th Edition
 - 9.1.9 Clerk Tips

10. Planning applications – It was resolved to raise concerns in respect of the following applications.

- 10.4 Request that the trees are inspected prior to work being carried out.
- 10.5 Raise concerns in respect of coal board objections and access to PROW FP2.
- 10.7 Raise concerns in respect over privacy due to increase in height of development.
- 10.10 Highlight concerns raised by residents regarding commencement of works – request an enforcement officer to visit site.

11. Planning decisions – the listed decisions were noted.

12. Accounts - receipts noted and the payments below were approved.

Receipts and Payments for January 2019

			Receipts	
Date	Reference	Payer	Amount (£s)	Detail
02-Jan-19	BAC	Badminton	54.00	Lettings
09-Jan-19	BAC	Table Tennis	174.00	Lettings
10-Jan-19	BAC	C Auld	228.00	Lettings
10-Jan-19	BAC	C Auld	171.00	Lettings
11-Jan-19	871	J Hutchings	112.50	Lettings
21-Jan-19	872	J Hutchings	118.00	Lettings
21-Jan-19	BAC	DCC Library Service	875.00	Lettings

22-Jan-19	BAC	RPA	29,731.93	LEADER grant Deer Park
24-Jan-19	BAC	Mother & Toddler	39.00	Lettings
30-Jan-19	873	J Hutchings	132.50	Lettings
31-Jan-19	INT	RBS	30.84	Interest
		Total for the month	31,666.77	

Date	Reference	Payee	Amount	Detail
02-Jan-19	6744	Arden Winch	224.09	Cleaning consumables P Hall
02-Jan-19	6745	Woolley Moor Nurseries	600.00	Christmas tree (inc erection and disp)
02-Jan-19	6746	Hydro X Ltd	298.80	Qtr Water hygiene contract
02-Jan-19	6747	RBL Poppy Appeal	51.00	3 wreaths
07-Jan-19	6748	D Ruff	200.00	Chairs allowance (Q4)
07-Jan-19	6749	Town & Country Cleaning	78.12	Window cleaning at P Hall
07-Jan-19	6750	NEDDC	311.45	Installation of dog bin at FP21
15-Jan-19	6751	Trent Furniture	83.88	Trolley for chairs at P Hall
15-Jan-19	6752	DALC	315.00	Training for 3 delegates (Com Eng)
15-Jan-19	6753	JST Electrical	150.00	Replace emergency lights at P Hall
15-Jan-19	6754	B&Q	14.37	Multimort and concrete Malthouse Ln
23-Jan-19	6755	DALC	90.00	Training for 2 delegates (Cllr Ess)
23-Jan-19	6756	British Gas	2,096.34	Gas at P Hall
23-Jan-19	6757	Eurooffice Ltd	291.31	Envelopes
23-Jan-19	6758	Gregory & Sons Ltd	7.32	Materials for fpaths
23-Jan-19	6758	Wickes	4.94	Materials for fpaths
30-Jan-19	6759	Yellow Publications Ltd	53.20	Walking maps
30-Jan-19	6760	Acorn Fencing	1,800.00	Fence at P Hall
30-Jan-19	6761	Eurooffice Ltd	40.65	Stationery
17-Jan-19	DD	BT	96.90	Phone P Hall
21-Jan-19	CHG	RBS	16.10	Bank charges
21-Jan-19	SO	Dave Robins	475.00	Bowling Green maintenance
21-Jan-19	SO	NEDDC	6,000.00	Salaries and expenses
22-Jan-19	SO	Personnel Advice	120.00	Personnel services
		Total for the month	13,418.47	

13. Budget – profiled budgets were noted.

14. Bank Reconciliation - the bank balances and bank reconciliation were approved and signed by the Chair.

15. Reports from Council committees, advisory groups and workshops.

15.1 Allotment Association

Councillor Berry reported on the AGM, the membership of the committee remains the same. The Association do require additional volunteers to staff the shop, closure could result in an increase in fees to all plot holders.

Councillor Collins reported on the launch of a Facebook page, the Association are also hoping to participate in the Fun Day.

15.2 Produce Show

Councillor Berry reported that preparations for the show are underway.

15.3 Community Engagement Committee

Councillor Diana Ruff reported that the Committee are looking at different options and will also participate in the Fun Day. The Committee are currently focusing on the open day which they intend to invite all clubs and associations in Wingerworth to.

15.4 Footpath Advisory Group

The Clerk reported that the group are continuing to meet regularly and carry out maintenance on footpaths across the village, including installing gate posts and vegetation clearance.

A further 20 walking maps have been sold.

Following the meeting there has been a report of a new stile on New Road. DCC ROW team are aware and are dealing with this.

15.5 Churchyard Committee

Councillor Harper reported on churchyard maintenance, as grass cutting is due to start soon it was requested that the caretaker was reminded to avoid the autumn crocuses. It was also reported that the sunken graves will be filled this year.

15.6 Joint Finance & General Purposes and Churchyard Committee

The main topic for discussion was the trade waste arrangements for 2019-20.

15.7 Meeting with Bellway Homes

The notes from the meeting with Bellway Homes and plans of the lagoon were shared.

It was agreed, in principle, to adopt the lagoon. It was requested that the Clerk contact Bellway Homes to seek further information to address the points raised following the initial meeting.

16. Date of next meeting – Wednesday 3 April 2019 at 7:00pm.

The Chair thanked members of the public for their attendance at the meeting.

The Chair closed the meeting at 8:14pm.