

HIGHAM ON THE HILL PARISH COUNCIL

Date: Monday 15th October 2018
Time: 7.30 pm
Present: Cllr Jenkins (Chair), Cllr Waterton, Cllr Whitehead, Cllr Gayton, Cllr Robinson
D Dickson (Clerk), Reg Ward (Borough Councillor), 3 members of the public

1) **APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Councillor Golder and Ivan Ould the County Councillor.

2) **MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

The minutes from the Parish Council meeting held on 23rd July 2018 were agreed by the Parish Councillors present, and then signed as a true record of the meeting

3) **DECLARATION OF INTEREST FROM MEMBERS**

There were no declarations of interest by any member.

4) **LOCAL POLICING ISSUES / NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH**

There was a break in and copper stolen from the Oddfellows Arms

5) **COUNTY COUNCIL ISSUES**

No report was filed

6) **BOROUGH COUNCIL ISSUES**

6.1 MIRA – Driverless car track – There has been controversy regarding the impact of this on the Bosworth Battlefield as 5 acres of the battlefield will be taken by this track. The track was however passed by 12 to 5 at the Planning meeting.

6.2 Unitary Authority – this is not going down well with District Councils. All parties agreed that they do not approve.

6.3 Council tax has been put aside as help for people coming out of care.

7) **MATTERS OUTSTANDING**

7.1 Village Sign (previously 8.1 Matters Outstanding) – The sign is to be lowered by about 3 feet. This can now be removed from the agenda.

7.2 Recreation Ground

7.2.1 The official opening took place on 6th September 2018. Comments have been very positive and the opening went well if a little soggy due to the rain.

The area under the zip wire is to be re-seeded, and the path is to have more shale added.

7.2.2 Toddler area. Kevin Morrell has the press release and photo shoot in hand

Action: Cllr Jenkins

7.2.3 Path around the recreation ground. It was agreed having considering 3 quotes that Whitehall Landscapes be given the job of repairing this at a cost of £2099.20 + VAT. This will be carried out next week.

7.3 New Community Centre (previously 8.5 Matters Outstanding). Ongoing. It was noted by the Borough Councillor that a fund is available for larger projects such as this and that Edwina Grant is the contact person. Reg Ward will let us know further details

Action: Reg Ward

7.4 First Aid Training for Defibrillator Users (previously 8.6 Matters Outstanding). A new venue for the training is to be organised as the Oddfellows has closed. The Methodist Church has been offered as an alternative

Action: Councillor Gayton

7.5 Path down Nuneaton Lane (previously 8.7 Matters Outstanding). Ref: SR-9956480 AD [Ref: 1601304919585] (Old Ref: 9149142/9149136 SK (ZN REF:76127415912). Edging back is to be carried out between October 2018 and March 2019. LCC will contact us about re-surfacing.

7.6 Land at Rear of Hilary Bevins Close (previously 8.8 Matters Outstanding).

7.6.1 A meeting has been held between interested villagers regarding the upkeep of this area.

7.6.2 A bench is to be located in this area

7.7 Pavements in Station Road (previously 8.9 Matters Outstanding). Uneven footway, Station Road 9959106 [REF:813033162276] Ivan Ould is to chase this issue

Action: Ivan Ould

7.8 Football Club (previously 8.10 Matters Outstanding). Payment has been received from the football club. This can now be removed from the agenda

7.9 Exit to A5 from Wood Lane (previously 8.11 Matters Outstanding). Ivan Ould is chase this issue

Action: Ivan Ould

7.10 Manhole cover in Nuneaton Lane (previously 8.12 Matters Outstanding). This has been reported to Highways 10155442 (Ref 2114759321701). They have passed it on to BT. Ivan Ould has agreed to chase this item

Action: Parish Clerk to chase I Ould

7.11 Party in the Park 2018 (previously 8.14 Matters Outstanding). This is to be scheduled to take place in 2019

- 7.12 Footpath T50 (previously 8.16 Matters Outstanding). The footpath Officer has been in touch with Councillor Jenkins and will be looking into all issues regarding footpaths. This can now be removed from the agenda
- 7.13 Data Protection – GDPR (previously 8.17 Matters Outstanding). Chris Peat at Carlton Parish Council has been contacted awaiting a response **Action: Parish Clerk**
- 7.14 Damaged bollard outside School (previously 8.18 Matters Outstanding). This has been reported to LCC 10319428 [REF:3359447018796].
- 7.15 WW1 Centenary Celebrations/Remembrance Sunday (previously 8.19 Matters Outstanding).
- 7.15.1 The 10" high Perspex Tommy (There but not There) statue was received and given to the Church to be placed somewhere visible for Remembrance Sunday.
- 7.15.2 Perspex figures were also purchased to be included on the pews in the church
- 7.16 Speeding tractor (previously 8.20 Matters Outstanding). A speeding tractor in Station Road was reported to the Police. This has also been parking on the junction of Hilary Bevins Close causing obstruction. It was also reported but no action has been taken
- 7.17 Flooding by School (Ref: 4228167110326). It was reported that flooding occurs outside the school during heavy rain as it seems the drains may be blocked. This has been reported to LCC Highways.
- Action: Parish Clerk**
- 7.18 Hinckley Lane (11503254/ST [REF:3265699114613] . It was reported that the edge of the road is in very poor condition.
- 7.19 It was agreed to purchase more Christmas lights for the two large trees on the village green.
- Action: Parish Clerk
- 7.20 It was confirmed that the Christmas tree will again be sponsored by Gordon Bews. Many thanks and our appreciation go to Gordon for this very generous donation.

8) **CORRESPONDENCE**

Correspondence has been received via email and forwarded to Parish Councillors as appropriate.

9) **PLANNING**

- 9.1 18/00737/TPOCA – Works to trees, Glebe Croft. No comments on this application
- 9.2 18/00920/FUL – Church Farm – Demolition of existing stables/outbuilding and erection of a two-storey detached dwelling with double garage. This application has been rejected.
- 9.3 18/00906/FUL - Erection of detached dwelling, 46 Main Street – This application was rejected

- 9.4 18/01070/FUL – Mosque, The Grange, Watling Street – Change of use of office to mosque – there were no objections to this application
- 9.5 18/01104/FUL – Land north of Watling Street – Erection of dwelling, detached garage, boat house, football pitch, creation of access and associated landscaping (re-submission of 18/00207/FUL). This application was rejected

10) **FINANCE**

- 10.1 The completed annual return for the accounts for 2017/18 was sent to PKF Littlejohn as the External Auditors.
- 10.2 A cheque was approved and signed for M Smith for £341.60 for grounds maintenance for July 2018
- 10.3 A cheque was approved and signed for M Smith for £527.00 for grounds maintenance for August 2018
- 10.4 A cheque was approved and signed for M Smith for £591.60 for grounds maintenance for September 2018
- 10.5 A cheque was approved and signed for Playsafety Ltd for £151.20 for annual inspection of play equipment
- 10.6 A cheque was approved and signed for PKF Littlejohn for £288.00 for External audit year ended 31st March 2018
- 10.7 A cheque was approved and signed for Higham on the Hill Methodist Church for £105.00 for use of meeting room
- 10.8 A cheque was approved and signed for The Fisher Rural Partnership for £300.00 for mowing land at the rear of Hilary Bevins Close
- 10.9 A cheque was approved and signed for J F O'Brien for £45.00 for figure for WW1 anniversary

11) **OTHER MATTERS**

- 11.1 The Christmas tree and lights will be put up 9th December and the official turning on of the lights will be Tuesday 11th December, following by Carols around the tree starting at 18:30.

12) **QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

There were no questions from the public

The meeting concluded at 8.45 pm.

The next meeting will be held in the Methodist Church as follows:

Thursday 6th December 2018

Signed _____

Dated _____