

WESTON ON TRENT PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall on
Monday 16th April 2018

Present; Cllrs, Harper, Newton, Green, Pendenque. Mrs A Record, Mrs L Freeman and County Cllr Neil Atkin

3 members of the public attended

Public session

The state of the roads was mentioned as there are various potholes around the village – there is a particularly large one in Main Street between Weston Court and Kings Mill Lane. Clerk to report that one and Cllr Atkin pointed out that he is in the process of assessing state of the roads in the villages.

County Councillor's report

Cllr Atkin informed the Council he had recently been in hospital but is back working now. He spoke about the public library consultation starting on 12th May and the fact that the traveller site is still waiting for a committee date. He noted that a resident had cleared the culvert under the railway bridge and that he has asked Phil Lenton to do a site visit. There were long queues on the A514 recently due to a lorry reversing when not able to cross the Causeway. Although a District issue, he informed the Council of complaints of sewerage backing up into people's gardens in Aston. Tim Summers is looking into this and liaising with Severn Trent.

1. Apologies- Cllr Bowles,

2. Cllr Declaration of Interests – Cllr Harper declared that he lived next door to the planning application in Old Gate Avenue.

3. Minutes of the previous meeting, having been previously circulated the minutes were deemed to have been read and were agreed as a true record of the meeting held on March 19th 2018 (copy attached) with the following alteration- on page 1183 it should read that Aston on Trent's meeting, where the possible boundary review will be discussed, is on Tuesday 20th not 19th

4. Matters arising

Information boards – one of the boards is now complete and the lay-out of the other one is being finalised.

Mower –Greenstripes have collected the mower.

Possible boundary review – Cllrs Green and Mrs Record attended the last meeting of Aston Parish Council to see if they intend to go ahead with it but the sub- committee dealing with the issue will not be reporting back until the May meeting. Cllrs Green and Mrs Record will attend that meeting.

Post in Willow Park Way – we have removed the post as it was dangerous to bike riders and children but have left the post there as it does not belong to the Council, hopefully the owner will claim it.

Bus shelters – 1 quote has been obtained, Clerk to get another.

Projects – Cllr Newton showed pictures of the different types of signs available, it was decided to meet on site on 23rd April to look at the position.

5. Reports;

Chair's report; Cllr Harper thanked Craig Williamson for clearing the gully. He also spoke about the number of pot holes appearing in the village

Clerk's report; information has been received about the lamppost poppy campaign, it was decided to buy 50 more so that we can double up so they can be seen from both directions.

It was noted that the Clerk at Aston has resigned.

Turfworks who cut the grass for Aston Parish Council and the area around the bowling green, will in future bill Weston directly for the extra strip by the road (which is in Weston parish). Previously Aston has invoiced us for half of the grass cuts around the Bowling Green plus the strip.

Refuse freighter – the clerk asked for an up to dated schedule earlier in the year but this did not arrive before the freighter came to the village on 7th April. As it was not advertised it was not well used. Clerk to ask Peter Watson

if an additional visit can be arranged before the next scheduled one on 13th October.

The Clerk reminded Cllrs that the role of Chairman for the coming year will be decided at the May meeting.

The June meeting will be held in the downstairs room at the village hall.

Allotments – there are 4 vacant plots at the moment.

Footpath Officers report :

All paths are very wet at present.

Cllr Bowles attended the recent Sand and Gravel meeting to ensure we know how the workings will affect the footpaths.

6. Planning –

9/2018/0291 The erection of a porch, altering of roof to existing dormer, garage conversion and widening of driveway at 10, Old Gate Avenue, Weston on Trent. – no objection

Applications granted:

9/2017/1248 demolition of existing dwelling and erection of 2 detached dwellings at Tree Tops, Trent Lane.

7. Correspondence

Library consultation

8. Finance

Invoices awaiting payment

Clerk's expenses £28.05

Clerk's wages £210

Insurance – Zurich Municipal £479.46

Audit information recieved

Meeting closed at 8.50