

WESTON ON TRENT PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall
on Monday 21 May 2018

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

Election of Officers

Chair – Cllr Harper was proposed by Cllr Mrs Record and seconded by Cllr Mrs Freeman

Vice chair –C llr Newton was proposed by Cllr Green and seconded by Cllr Harper

Both were unopposed and so will continue in their roles.

Representatives on outside bodies

Sand and gravel liaison – Cllrs Green and Bowles to continue

Airport –Cllr Green

Planning Cllrs Bowles, Harper and Newton

Donington Park – Cllrs Mrs Record, Harper, Newton and Bowles

Footpaths officers- Cllrs Green and Newton

SAVE – Cllr Mrs Record, Newton, Mrs Freeman and the Clerk

Are Forum - Cllr Mrs Freeman

Public session

There were no members of the public were present.

County Councillor's report

Cllr Neil Atkin reported on funding issues, there has been no spending in the Aston division.

He mentioned flooding issues and thanked Craig Williamson for clearing the gully under the bridge near Chellaston Cottages. He is in contact with severn Trent re flooding in gardens in Aston.

The Clerk at Aston on Trent is leaving.

District Councillor's report

Cllr Atkin also reported on district matters- Cllr Mrs Coyle is no longer the leader of the Council, she has been succeeded by Cllr Martin Ford.

Cllrs Harper and Newton signed their declaration of acceptance of office.

1.Apologies-

Cllr Mrs Hilary Coyle

2. Cllr Declaration of Interests – none declared

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 April 16th 2018 (copy attached)

4. Matters arising

Signs – The boards are ready to go to printing and the mounts were discussed, they will cost around £50 each. Cllr Green will contact the Waterways about siting the board.

Boundary _ Cllrs Green and Mrs Record attended the last meeting of Aston Parish Council but the sub-committee had still not met.

Bus shelter – 2 quotes have been received, it was decided to go with Paul Murton and replace the boards horizontally so that in future it will be easier to maintain.

Grass cutting – the situation re grass cutting at the church was discussed and it was agreed to make a yearly donation to them so they can use the money to pay their choice of contractor and negotiate when and how often they cut the area.

The additional poppies for the lampposts have been ordered.

5. Reports;

Chair's report – Cllr Harper reported on the bad state of repair of the roads in the village especially the number of potholes.

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Clerks report;

Freighter – the Clerk has managed to get another freighter for the village on 2nd June (due to SDDC sending a freighter without letting the Council know, which was not used due to no advertising).

Notices have been posted and it's on the website.

Jo Cook has been asked for ideas for the village sign, awaiting a reply.

The dog poo bin in Trent Lane needs replacing, Clerk to order

The plaques for trees on The Green have arrived – Cllr green to put in place.

The trees in the flower boxes by the Village Hall need to be removed before the Scarecrow Trail and replanted. Cllr Bowles and Newton to remove the trees.

The Clerk reminded the meeting that the June meeting will be in the downstairs hall.

Footpath officers report – All paths are dry and walkable although a bit overgrown in places. Trevor Marks to be asked to trim.

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Neighbourhood Watch report - enclosed

6. Planning –

No applications received

7. Correspondence

Civic Council meeting will take place on 24th May

St Mary's Flower Festival – this will take place over the Scarecrow Trail weekend. The Parish Council has been asked to do a display on the theme of The Big Top – Clerk to arrange

Safer Neighbourhoods meeting and Area Forum June 12th

Neighbourhood Watch – a letter was received asking if the Council could give them a donation of £40, towards printing costs of a twice yearly newsletter , this was agreed.

EMA noise consultation plan – available on the EMA website.

8. Finance

Invoices awaiting payment

Clerks wages £210

Clerk's expenses £44.50

S Dawson (internal auditor) £84

Ian Cook – allotment commission £100

Recreation ground lease £1000

St Marys Church – in lieu of grass cutting £1500

Neighbourhood watch £40

Concurrent expenses claim has been submitted

Internal auditors report received – put into the circulation

Audit form completed

Meeting closed at 9.25

