

Balderton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Balderton Village Centre on Wednesday December 18th 2019 at 7.00pm.

PRESENT Councillors Ms White (Chairman), Allen, (Vice Chairman), Mrs Brooks, Green, Mrs Hurst, Mrs Lee, Lynch, Mallard, Mayall B.E.M., Roberts M. B.E., Rouse and Scott

with County Cllr Walker, the Deputy Clerk and Clerk.

4137 Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllrs Mrs Newstead and Newstead and County Cllr Wallace.

4138 Declarations of Interest

Cllrs Mrs Brooks, Mrs Hurst and Ms White, as serving members of Newark & Sherwood District Council declared a personal interest to any issue relating to the District Council.

4139 Public Participation

No members of the public were present.

4140 Minutes

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on November 6th 2019, having been circulated previously were confirmed as a true record and signed.

4141 Clerk/Chairman's Update

An update of ongoing matters from the minutes of the previous Council meeting and subsequent committee meetings was circulated and noted. Updates circulated prior to each committee meeting had been included with the minutes. The following issues were discussed from the update:

a) Council

- 1. Re Minute 4123.a British Telecom Phone Box** The agreement to adopt the phone box on London Road has been received from the company and will be checked. It had been noted in the interim that the phone box is in need of some renovation as several of the door glass panels are missing - Cllr Roberts advised that there is a Newark company that specialises in doing this and undertook to make some enquiries on behalf of the Council.
- 2. Re Minute 4129e Y.M.C.A.** Following the organisation's acceptance of the additional conditions the Council's solicitor will now be asked to draft an agreement.

b) Amenities

- 1. Re Minute 3172.1 Marquis Avenue/Priory Close Grassed Area** Cllr Rouse produced pictures of the grassed area which is now very muddy, caused by vehicles driving over it. It is understood that a motorhome is now stuck there in the mud. He asked that the County Council's decision not to take preventative action there be re-visited as a matter

of some urgency. The Clerk was asked to raise this issue once again with the County Highways department.

2. Finance & General Purposes (F&GP)

- 1. Re Minute 7238.b Brisbane Court** The access to the site is badly churned up and muddy as school traffic drives over the pavement to park on there. This will be reported to the County Council who could own the land in question, or if not, may have the land ownership details which could in turn assist in the process of trying to get the site service road repaired.

4142 Committees

The minutes of the following committees were then approved, confirmed as a true record and signed:

Council Review

Amenities

Finance and General Purposes

4143 Precept 2020/21

It was unanimously,

AGREED that the precept requirement be set at £292,266 for the 20/21 financial year.

4144 Financial Statements

The details as published and circulated were correct, there being total payment requirements of £34,906.05 for October 2019 and £28,816.78 for November 2019.

4145 Reports from Representatives

County Cllr Walker reported that he had attended a meeting about the Cotham landfill site. Some complaints had been made regarding odours from the site but it is thought that this may be due to the excessive rainfall over the past few weeks. He also reported that he considered it unlikely anything would be done to improve traffic safety at the Staple Lane/London Road junction, believing that completion of the Southern Link Road is the only real solution. He suggested that local M.P. Robert Jenrick be asked to expedite this.

Cllr Mrs Hurst reported that she had attended and enjoyed the REACH organisation's 20th anniversary service in Southwell Minster on Monday December 9th.

4146 Highways Faults

The problems caused by parked vehicles outside and around the shop on the corner of Meadow Road and Hawton Lane were raised – this will be highlighted with the County Council to see if anything can be done to ease the situation.

The road surface near to the bus stop by Sainsbury's on London Road is badly broken up despite it being a relatively new re-surfaced area.

4147 Clerk's Additional Information

The following items of correspondence/information have been received and were noted:

- a) Notice that Mount Road will be closed between London Road and Mount Court from Monday January 6th to Friday January 17th 2020 for Severn Trent to undertake defect repair works. It is understood that this may relate to the long-standing flooding problems in front of the Post Office on Main Street.
- b) Notice that Bullpit Road will be subject to 'Stop and Go' boards from Monday January 13th to Friday January 17th for the County Council to undertake Coring Works.

4148 Future Agenda Items

No items were raised.

Season greetings were exchanged
and the meeting closed at approximately 7.35pm.