

COMMUNITY & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Community and Environment Committee held on Tuesday 10th April 2018 at 6:00pm, at the Sambrook Centre, Stirchley

Present: Councillors A Watkin – Chair
 J Loveridge – Vice Chair
 R Breeze
 S Parr
 M Randle
 G Sinclair

Also Present: Mrs G Bailey (Parish Clerk)
 Mrs S Middleton (Deputy Parish Clerk)
 Mr C R Corbett (Committee Secretary, taking the minutes)

Public Open Session

There were no members of the community present at the meeting.

CE/17/76 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllr T Bate (work commitments) Cllr Mrs L Hogger (another appointment) and Cllr Mrs Jackie Loveridge (T&W Council meeting) which were accepted unanimously.

CE/17/77 MINUTES

It was proposed by Cllr R Breeze and seconded by Cllr M Randle and subsequently **RESOLVED – that the minutes of the Community & Environment Committee held on 6th February 2018 be confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chair.**

CE/17/78 ACTION

Cllr G Sinclair reiterated his request for a grit bin at Wroxeter Way.

CE/17/79 CLERK'S REPORT-

The Clerk reported on a number of matters relating to current issues including: - improvement works at the allotment site, inspection of two new play areas and the PET scheme budget levels. Additionally the clerk reported upon the recent notification that Holinswood & Randley Parish Council had decided to cease involvement with the South Telford Rights Of Way Partnership (STROWP). Also Madeley TC were potentially considering similar action. Both moves would put in doubt the future of STROWP and its Project Officer (based at the Sambrook Centre).

Members were particularly concerned about the situation and the Clerk had written to Dave Hanley at T&W expressing similar concern. The Clerk also updated Members on the current position of the planning application relating to Tunnel Cottages and a highway matter.

Furthermore, the Clerk highlighted the work of the Active Youth Outreach Service (AYOS) who had held recent events targeted at the youth population of the area which had been very successful. Cllr Parr commented that if such events helped to reduce Anti-Social Behaviour then the Police Authorities should be notified and informed of the success of the initiative.

CE/17/80 PROJECTS & EVENTS FOR 2018

The Deputy Clerk presented a report of the Community Projects Officer regarding planned projects & events for 2018. The events included the pot Your Own Day on 2nd June, the Family Fun Day on 4th August, the Parish 30th Birthday party on 28th Sept, the Halloween Disco on 31st

Oct, the Coffee Morning on 22nd Nov and the Christmas Market on 6th Dec. Approval was sought for the suggested budget for staging all of the events for the year was some £4,000.

It was proposed by Cllr J Loveridge and seconded by Cllr R Breeze and subsequently **RESOLVED – that the budget for Project & Events for 2018/19 be set at £4,000.**

CE/17/81 TELFORD & WREKIN GROUNDS & CLEANING CONTRACT – Parishes in Partnership

The Committee received information regarding the process for the new Grounds & Cleansing Contract. The Clerk explained the implications of the proposed new contract by T&W for grounds maintenance matters in the Parish. Fortunately there would be limited impact at Stirchley & Brookside as the Parish employed its own environmental team (PET Team). The new T&W Contractor may undertake some of the work the PET Team undertakes but that would allow the local team to undertake other duties in the parish.

It was suggested that no response be made to the questionnaire submitted by T&W.

It was proposed by Cllr S Parr and seconded by Cllr M Randle and subsequently **RESOLVED – that no response be made to the T&W Questionnaire for the Environmental Maintenance Services Contract.**

CE/17/82 30th BIRTHDAY OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

A report was presented that outlined proposals to celebrate the forthcoming 30th Birthday of the Parish Council. The first meeting of the Parish Council was held on April 1988 and this year would see the 30th Anniversary.

The Launch would be on 22nd May at the Annual Parish Meeting for which a budget of £340 was requested. Members considered in order to cover unexpected costs that the budget be increased to £400.

A time line of main events over the 30 years was being compiled and the main celebration event was planned for 28th September

Members fully supported the planned events and also suggested additional measures to promote including a sticker for the Parish Vehicle to promote the anniversary around the Parish,

It was proposed by Cllr J Loveridge and seconded by Cllr M Randle and subsequently **RESOLVED – that the budget for the Launch event be increased to £400.**

CE/17/83 GRANTS – To consider the following grant application under section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972:-

1st RANDLAY RAINBOWS – application for funds towards 6 months rental of premises.

It was proposed by Cllr R Breeze and seconded by Cllr J Loveridge and subsequently **RESOLVED – that a grant of £117 be awarded to 1st Randlay Rainbows for funds towards rental of suitable premises.**

CE/17/84 PRE-APPLICATION ENQUIRIES To receive details of and consider the following pre-application enquiries.

a) **PE/2018/0201 – 5 Norton Drive, Stirchley** – No comments raised.

CE/17/85 PLANNING APPLICATIONS –To receive details of and consider the following planning applications from Telford & Wrekin Council.

- a) **TWC 2018//0216 – 1 Stockton Close, Stirchley** – Erection of a single storey side extension – application had been determined by the Borough Council and planning permission granted
- b) To give consideration to any further planning applications, received for consultation, after publication of the agenda – none.
- c) To receive information of decisions taken by Telford & Wrekin Council relating to planning applications in the Parish – none.

CE/17/86 CORRESPONDENCE – correspondence, for information – none.

CE/17/87 COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Councillors’ reports were made on matters relevant to the Committee as follows:-

Cllr G Sinclair report substantial surface e water flooding at Holmer Lane – Clerk to report.

Cllr R Breeze commented upon recent incidents of pedestrians on Silkin Way being subject to conflict and verbal exchanges by participants in running events/training sessions – the Clerk agreed to take the issue up with the appropriate authorities

Cllrs M Randle & J Loveridge commented on the success of the recent litter pick at Brookside.

Cllr S Parr stated that he had reported some 50 potholes in Brookside and that he had received responses to the reports.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.29 pm

Signed

Dated