

Minutes of a meeting of the **Community & Environment Committee**, held on **Tuesday 5th July 2016** at the Sambrook Centre.

Present: Councillors: J Loveridge (Chair), T Bate, R Breeze,
Mrs L Hogger, S Parr, M Randle, G Sinclair, A Watkin

Also Present: Mrs G Bailey, Parish Clerk/RFO, Mrs V Brain (taking Minutes)

Public Open Session

There were no members of the public present.

T Bate was welcomed to his first meeting since becoming a Councillor for Stirchley and Brookside Parish Council.

CE/16/10 **To receive apologies and declarations of interest in non-pecuniary matters.**
Apologies were received from Mrs J Loveridge (unwell) and accepted unanimously.

There were no declarations of interest in non-pecuniary matters.

CE/16/11 **To receive the minutes of the last meeting held on Tuesday 7th June 2016.**

a) CE/16/04/d Mrs Bailey explained that some local footpaths have been surfaced with a cement slurry filling that is supposed to settle down into an acceptable covering. However there have been some problems and it may be necessary to replace the slurry filling with a tarmac surface.

b) CE/16/08 Mrs Bailey said that she had not yet had time to carry out her actions regarding the allotments.

c) CE/16/09/c R Breeze said that parking in the residential roads near the Town Park is still a problem, with inconsiderate parking by visitors to the Park. Becky Eade has offered to visit the Parish Council to talk about parking, but no date has been set yet. Mrs Bailey has e-mailed Becky Eade for an update and is awaiting a response.

It was proposed by M Randle, seconded by G Sinclair and **agreed** to receive the minutes of the last meeting. The Chair signed the minutes.

CE/16/12 **To receive reports of any action taken since the last meeting**
Actions mentioned in Minute CE/16/11 above were noted.

CE/16/13 **To receive the Skills Festival 2016 Report**

The event went well, with a good number of agencies attending, plus over 50 local people and young people. There had been some good feedback from agencies. The event cost £27.20 less than its budget of £565.

T Bate was thanked for the BBQ provided by Shropshire Events.

Mrs Bailey's suggestions for improving the event next year were:

- Look at changing the date and timing of the event
- Change the venue for the event
- Find a contact within Telford Park School (this would also be helpful for other Parish Council projects).

It was **agreed** to receive the Skills Festival 2016 report.

CE/16/14 **To receive notes from an inter-agency meeting regarding fly-tipping held on 10th June 2016.**
Mrs Bailey said that she would be organising a follow-up meeting and that she would keep members of the committee informed about progress.
She would forward an e-mail from Danny Chetwood, regarding “hot spots” for fly-tipping, to members of the committee.

It was **agreed** to receive the notes and action plan from the inter-agency meeting regarding fly-tipping.

CE/16/15 **To receive minutes of the last meeting of the Planning Committee held on Tuesday 5th April 2016**
It was noted that the planning application TWC/2016/0194, for the Premier Stores to have a cafe/take away, has been referred to the Telford & Wrekin Council Planning Committee because of a number of objections.

It was proposed by M Randle, seconded by R Breeze and **agreed** to receive the minutes of the last meeting of the Planning Committee.

CE/16/16 **To receive details of and consider the following planning applications from Telford & Wrekin Council:**

a) TWC/2016/0485 The Old Rectory: Change of use from guest house (Use Class C1) to dwelling (Use Class C3)

It was **agreed** that there were no objections.

b) TWC/2016/0492 5 Aqueduct Lane: Erection of 1no. wall mounted mast to side of dwelling with an additional UHF/VHF whip antenna to the top and erection of 1no. freestanding mast pole in rear garden (Retrospective).

There was a discussion about this planning application. It was felt that there was inadequate information provided about the freestanding mast pole, with respect to the height, type and stability of the pole.

It was **agreed** to ask for the decision to be deferred until more information was available. Mrs Bailey said that she would talk to the Telford & Wrekin Council Planning Officer about the matter.

CE/16/17 **To receive councillors’ reports on matters relevant to this committee:**

Apart from the on-going problems with car parking near the Town Park and some recent thefts of pushbikes in the locality, there were no specific issues raised by councillors.

G Sinclair reminded everyone that the Friends of Holmer Lake would be meeting on Wednesday 7th July 2016 at the Sambrook Centre.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 6.45 p.m.

Signature: Date: