

HYDE LEA PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 8th March 2017 at Hyde Lea & Coppenhall village hall.

Those present;

Parish councillors; Mr J Eaves [Chair]-Miss J Wilkes] - Mr R Edwards-Mr R Pitt.

Borough Councillors Mr R Sutherland [from20.15]

Mr D Jones [clerk to the council]; two members of the public.

01: The chairman welcomed those present and the meeting started at 19.30.

02: Apologies received from Parish Councillor Mr W Mason.

03: Matters raised by the members of the public; nothing raised at this point.

04: Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 11th January 2017

The minutes, having been previously circulated, were approved and signed as a true record.

05: Report on matters arising from the meeting not covered elsewhere on the agenda;

- South West Collaboration meeting on 19th January was held at Hyde Lea & Coppenhall Village hall, starting at 7.00pm. Notes on the content had been circulated prior to tonight's meeting and various points were discussed, next Collaboration meeting is on 27th April.
- Phone box; clerk advised that he had contacted Stafford Borough Planning about the parish adopting the phone box, however nothing has been heard from BT to date
- Defibrillator batteries/pads; the battery is alright for the moment but the pads have an expiry date of April 2017. Clerk to contact supplier.
- Road sweeping; has been done through the village to a high standard.
- Section 137 allowance; is an annual amount based on the number of residents which empowers the parish council to spend to the benefit of the community.
- Precept; has been confirmed as a 4.73% rise.
- Training courses; Councillor Wilkes reported that the Local Councillor training course she attended had been well presented and useful. However, the previous course on Development Control was marred by a poor trainer who did not engage with the audience nor answer questions.
- Civic amenity visits; the timetable of visit for 2017 handed to the councillors.

06; Financial matters;

A/ It was agreed to pay the following invoices;

Paid on chairman's authority prior to the meeting-

PC World;	£408.99[computer & software]
Hyde Lea & Coppenhall Village hall;	£96.00[annual rent]

For payment at this meeting-

Stafford Borough council;	£115.00[civic amenity visits]
SPCA;	£55.00[training invoices]
Clerk's salary –January/February/ March;	£517.49
Clerks expenses;	£129.42 <i>[includes printer +printer cartridges £91.48]</i>
PAYE;	£129.40

For information; we received a grant of £430.00[VAT exclusive] from NALC for new computer equipment +printer

Spend is £417.06[VAT exclusive]

B; Parish Council bank accounts at the end of February stand at £11191.06.

07: Planning matters; dealt with after main meeting.[see item 10]

08: Correspondence;

The following correspondence has been received, if any councillor requires more information please contact the clerk.

- Stafford Borough Council [Mayor's Office]; invitation to Motown Party on 7th April 2017.

09; Village hall matters; the hall been redecorated

10: Roads, Highways & Footpaths;

Hyde Lea Bank drainage; large volume of water cascading down bank.

Barn Bank Lane drainage; complaint from resident that gullies do not clear rainwater.

NB; a meeting has been organised with Highways on 10th March to discuss these 2 issues.

Speed Indication Device; Safer Road Partnership can no longer provide information due to IT issues.

Kissing gate on Green lane; supplier requires £75 delivery. Clerk to find out weight and dimension of kit so it can be collected.

Bradley Lane bridleway; is still closed due to flooding

Drumbles; the state of the footpath is now a Health & Safety issue. Councillor Edwards offered to contact Rights of way.

Green lane styles; are narrow although farmer confirmed that they complied with NFU guidelines.

11; Planning issue relating to Manor Nursing home.

The meeting plus Councillor Sutherland, discussed Application 17/24877/REM relating to building work planned at the nursing home. It was agreed that a site meeting be held with the architect and Chief Executive of the nursing home to discuss the problems and hopefully resolve them before the planning committee convened.

The next meeting is on- Wednesday 10th May 2017 [annual parish assembly & AGM] at Hyde Lea & Coppenhall VH.

Other Meeting dates for 2017; -Wednesday 12th July- Wednesday 13th September- Wednesday 8th November

Meeting ended at 21.20.hrs.