

## *HYDE LEA PARISH COUNCIL*

**Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2018 at Hyde Lea & Coppenhall village hall.**

**Those present; Parish councillors; Mr J Eaves [chairman] - Mr R Edwards- Ms J Wilkes-Mr W Mason.**

**County Councillor; Mr M Winnington; PCSO Patrick Wright.**

**Mr D Jones [clerk to the council] plus one member of the public.**

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

**02: Apologies;** had been received from, Parish Councillor Mr R Pitt & Borough Councillor Mr R Sutherland.

**03; Interests declared, or dispensations requested on agenda items.**

Councillor Wilkes informed the meeting that she is renting stabling for her horse from Madders Farms.

**04; No matters raised by the member of the public present.**

**05: Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> September 2018;**

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

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

Dog fouling; Councillor Edwards reported that he and 2 residents had met with Saul Hocking, Borough Councils Environmental Officer, to plan how to take the campaign against dog fouling forward.

Community transport; Councillor Eaves and the clerk recently met with Graham Wright, the Chief Executive of Community Link, to discuss the future of the weekly bus that runs into Stafford. He advised us that despite strenuous efforts no further funding has been obtained to sustain the service which means it will cease in March 2019.

**07; Councillor Winnington**

Councillor Winnington again pointed out that due to a reduction in the Central Government grant, the County Council was having to make further cuts to services in the coming financial year. Decisions on which services to be cut will be decided shortly and local communities will then be advised accordingly.

**08; PCSO Patrick Wright;**

Reported that there had been 6 incidents in the area recently, covering transport related and suspicious incidents. He advised that there have been a number of burglaries in the Stafford area and that residents should be aware and secure their property. He explained that he covers a large area of Staffordshire as far as the Shropshire border and therefore cannot always respond quickly to and calls.

**09: Financial matters;**

*A; The council agreed to pay the following invoices;*

*Autela Payroll Services                      £46.80- cheque No 101124*

*B; Recent letter from Barclays bank was discussed.*

**10: Planning matters;**

A query was raised at the last meeting about an extension to a dwelling that was not sent for parish council comment. Enquires with the planning officer revealed that applications for a Larger Householder Extension do not have the same consultation as a planning application although the immediate neighbours are advised.

**11: Correspondence;**

Invitation to the Mayors Charity Ball on 8<sup>th</sup> February 2019.

SPCA; advice of the AGM on 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2018.

**12; Village hall matters; Next meeting of the trustees is on 19<sup>th</sup> November 2018.**

**13: Roads, Highways& Footpaths;**

SID device feedback; clerk reported that he had contacted the Safety Partnership about feedback from the SID apparatus recently in the village. He was told that due to software problems it was not possible at present to produce feedback, the device was placed as a deterrent.

Bradley Lane footpath work; Madders Farms are currently widening the bridleway to accommodate farm machinery. This has undone the work recently completed by the Rights of Way team. The council decided to monitor the work and ensure that the roadway was reinstated to the original specification.

Grid on bank; nothing has been done about this and concern was raised that if we have a period of heavy rain followed by a frost it could make driving conditions hazardous. Councillor Winnington agreed that we should ask for further investigation of the problem, i.e. a camera survey of the underground gully. He suggested that the council contact Mark Keeling at the Highways to arrange this. He also explained that some parish councils were considering carrying out their own gully emptying as the schedule operated by Highways is somewhat spasmodic.

HGV signs; problems with heavy goods vehicles accessing Green Lane and other cul de sacs in the village. It was suggested that signs prohibiting HGV access be researched and possibly purchased by the parish.

**14; Dates for next year's meetings are confirmed as follows;**

**January 9<sup>th</sup>-March 13<sup>th</sup> -Parish Elections on May 2<sup>nd</sup>-May 8<sup>th</sup> - [Annual parish and public meeting]**

**July 10<sup>th</sup>- September 11th-November 13<sup>th</sup>.**

**Meeting ended at 21 15 hrs.**

*Items for the next meeting agenda; To set precept for 2019/20; footpath survey; civic amenity visits*