

Minutes of a Meeting of the Ercall Magna Parish Council held on Monday 18th March 2019 at 7.00 p.m. in High Ercall Village Hall.

PRESENT: Cllr's Elaine Aston, Graham Barrow, Stephen Bentley, Beatrice Cains, Kevin Connor, Richard Hartshorn, Louise Hughes, Brian Newbold, Tony Smith, Mel Ward and Ray Wickson.

Also in attendance: one member of the public the Parish Clerk.

In the Chair: Cllr Ray Wickson.

040/03/19.C Apologies for Absence

An apology for absence had been received from Cllr's Chris Purves (poorly).
This apology was accepted.

Action

Parish Clerk

041/03/19.C Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

RESOLVED to note that no Disclosable Pecuniary interests were received on any item included on the agenda in accordance with Sections 50-52, Local Government Act 2000 and The Local Authorities (Model Code of Conduct) (England) Act 2001. It was **AGREED** to accept any Disclosable Pecuniary interests as they may arise during the meeting.

042/03/19.C Minutes

Proposed: Cllr Richard Hartshorn **Seconded:** Cllr Graham Barrow

Resolved: **that the minutes of the meeting of the Full Council held on the 18th February 2019, having been previously circulated be confirmed as a correct record, adopted and signed by the Chairman.**

Chairman

043/03/19.C Public Participation

Richard Pardoe presented the following report with reference to a proposed village walking path around High Ercall Village Hall Playing Field.

In our village there are very few places where one can walk in safety, the footpaths on the major roads tend to be narrow and there is no boarder / green space ground them. The out of village footpaths are either badly maintained, have been diverted or ploughed up, they are certainly not suitable for either a pram, push chair or a wheel chair. The school is also looking to embrace the mile a day project, if their timetable allows. At this time can only allow the children to walk around a muddy school field.

This proposal is for a metaled path around the perimeter of the playing field where, parents can take their child in a pram or push chair. It would be wheel chair friendly, the dog walkers' could use it and of course the children from our school would have a facility to do their mile a day in a safe and controlled environment.

Cllrs agreed that it does meet the criteria from TWC for funding.

Proposed: Cllr Stephen Bentley **Seconded:** Cllr Elaine Aston

Resolved: to support this project in principle.

With no other members of the public present it was **Resolved** that the Council moved on to the next item of business.

044/03/19.C Urgent Items

The Chairman said a public meeting with residents will be held on Wednesday 20th March at Park Timber to discuss the planning issues at Roden Hall.

The Parish Clerk issued Parish Council Election Nomination packs to all those who wished to stand for election.

045/03/19.C Planning

045/03/19.1.C Schedule of planning applications

There were none at the time of publication of the agenda.

045/03/19.2.C Schedule of additional planning applications

There were none.

045/03/19.3.C Schedule of planning decisions

There were none.

045/03/19.4.C Other planning Issues

The Parish Clerk reported that the planning enforcement officer was looking at the unauthorised erection of close boarded timber fence and gates at The Grove, Shrewsbury Road, High Ercall and alleged unauthorised change of use of land to auto grass racing and creation of race track on Land at the Firs Farm, Moortown, Ercall, Telford, Shropshire.

046/03/19.C Police Matters

There were no police issues.

The order has been placed with Security Services for the SmartWater kits which are scheduled to be delivered after the May elections.

047/03/19.C Highway and Environment Issues

The Parish Clerk reported that all recent issues had been reported and logged with the Telford & Wrekin Council highway & environmental reporting system.

The Chairman reported a blocked drain on the corner by Woodside.

Action

Parish
Clerk

Cllrs expressed concern that the hedge had not been cut back along the footpath between Coppice Drive and Cleveland Avenue.

Parish
Clerk

Cllr Louise Hughes reported tree branches obstructing the first street light into Park Lane.

Parish
Clerk

048/03/19.C Finance

048/03/19.1.C Accounts for payment;

100352	Salaries & Expenses	£335.66
100353	HMRC, PAYE	£341.42
100354	Nobridge Nurseries, Churchyard	£775.56
100355	Wel Medical Ltd, Defib Cabinet	£557.94

Proposed: Cllr Kevin Connor **Seconded:** Cllr Louise Hughes

Resolved: that in accordance with the Financial Regulations of the Parish Council the above payments be authorized.

Parish
Clerk

The Chairman then explained the NALC recommendations for applying for a Public Works Loan. He would forward to all Cllr's a draft community asset business plan for comments.

All Cllr's

Cllr Mel Ward left the meeting at 8.06 pm.

049/03/19.C SALC

All correspondence from the County Secretary had been passed to Members by either the Chairman or Parish Clerk.

050/03/19.C Street Lighting

Tree branches were still obstructing the street lights by the tennis club and pedestrian crossing.

Parish
Clerk

The Parish Clerk reported that Eon had now started on phase I of the conversion of our street lights to LED. Recent reported faults will now be repaired and converted to LED.

Cllr Brian Newbold reported light no. 4 in Coppice Drive not working and Cllr Kevin Connor had previously reported light no. 4, located at the junction of Cliff Crescent and Heath Lane also not working.

Parish
Clerk

Action**051/03/19.C Village Halls**

Cllr Kevin Connor reported no issues from Ellerdine Village Hall Committee. The Chairman reported that High Ercall Village Hall Committee were just finalizing their year-end accounts. Bookings were also up.

052/03/19.C Neighbourhood Planning

Cllr Kevin Connor reported that Cllr Chris Purves had informed him that he had been in contact with Michael Barker who was now indicating that our plan requires significant re-work as some areas are not supported by evidence. Concern was expressed over yet another delay and Michael Barkers read on what areas can be included in the plan. These concerns would be passed on to Cllr Chris Purves.

Cllr Kevin
Connor

053/03/19.C Telford & Wrekin Council

Councillors noted items of correspondence/publications that had been received from Telford & Wrekin Council since the last meeting.

Arriva Midlands had now forwarded an invoice for the operation fees for the first six months of the Saturday 519 service along with a draft terms of agreement for consideration.

Parish
Clerk &
Chairman

054/03/19.C Correspondence – General

Cllrs noted the items of correspondence/publications that had been received by the Parish Clerk since the last meeting. All other correspondence had been forwarded by email to all Cllrs by the Parish Clerk or Chairman.

055/03/19.C Parish Matters

Cllr Graham Barrow reported grass growing over the edges of the footpath in Roden.

Chairman

Cllr Stephen Bentley thanked everyone for their support during the past four years as one of our Ward Members.

Cllr's Brian Newbold and Tony Smith asked when the residents of the Cleveland Arms move out and what happens if they did not move by the required date.

The Chairman reported that the requested footpath from Marlbrook Way to the B5062 was still on TWC list for consideration for future funding.

There were no other parish matters

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056/03/19.C Next Meetings

The next meetings of the Parish Council would be;

Monday 1st April 2019 – Planning Committee at 7.00 pm in High Ercall Village Hall.

Monday 15th April 2019 – Annual Parish Meeting at 7.00 pm followed by Council Meeting in High Ercall School. The Annual Parish Meeting would also be repeated at Ellerdine Village Hall on Thursday 18th April also starting at 7.00 pm.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 20.55p.m.

Signed

Date

Chairman