



**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON  
WEDNESDAY 14<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2018  
IN THE PARISH HALL, MONTREY CRESCENT**  
*(to be approved at the meeting on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> April 2018)*

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**Present:**

Councillors            GK Cleary, Chairman  
                              Mrs B Ashcroft  
                              Mrs S Murphy  
                              J Pearson  
                              B Porter

*The Chairman opened the meeting and then suspended Standing Orders to go to Agenda Items 3, 5 (Public Participation and Policing of the Area) before returning to the meeting.*

**2017/101    To pass as a true record the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2018**  
***Resolved: agreed for chairman to sign the above Minutes as a true record.***

**2017/102    To Note Apologies for Absence**  
Apologies had been received from Cllrs Mrs S Cleary and B Pilkington  
***Resolved: to note the above apologies***

**2017/103    Public Participation**  
Tom Nugent spoke about the defibrillator and 4G pitches. Explained football club owns 9 defibrillators and their coaches are trained in their use. When it became apparent that one was needed in the community in December, the committee agreed to donate one defibrillator to be sited inside a local shop (open 7am-10pm, giving significant cover. They prefer to hand over to a responsible body, preferably Parish Council who would then take on the maintenance and replacement of consumables i.e. battery and pads.  
He went on to speak about 4G pitches – Garswood Stags had contacted Seneley & Garswood Juniors to propose a 4G pitch as a joint –funded venture. They had discussed how they would approach the proposal and identify who to speak to.. A meeting for all stakeholders to discuss the issue and decide if the proposal is feasible has been arranged for 27 March (Sports Development and a representative from the FA would be in attendance) – Cllrs K Cleary, Mrs B Ashcroft and J Pearson agreed to attend. Tom also spoke about the quality of the pitch and what an asset it would be to the local community including possible school use.  
Parking issues were raised again  
Potholes and road surfaces were raised as a concern – School Lane and Garswood Road was specifically mentioned  
It was suggested for George Houghton be invited to attend one of our meetings.

***for information only, issues that require further discussion will appear on the Agenda of a future meeting***

**2017/104    To Receive Declarations of Interest from Members**  
Cllr Murphy declared an interest in the topic raised in Public Participation re speaking with Sports Development at St Helens  
***Resolved: to note the above declaration***

**2017/105    Policing of the Area**  
Police were not in attendance at the meeting and no report had been received. It

was suggested we write to request crime reports.

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**2017/106 Chairman, Councillors and Clerk's Updates**

The Clerk's **update** had been circulated with the Agenda and included; Liverpool City Region Mayor's invitation to one of our meetings and a verbal update at the meeting reported his diary was currently too full to commit to coming along. Parish Boundary Review consideration; Problem at Ashtons Cross traffic ; Recent break-ins; Chairs for the Community Hall; Car Park; Newsletter; Clerks Annual Leave; Register of Interest forms  
**Cllr Murphy** reported she had met with police re recent break-ins; they have made two arrests . She further reported custody suites have closed in St Helens.  
**Cllr Murphy** suggested we write to the Police Crime Commissioner expressing our concerns re local policing  
**Cllr Ashcroft** reported she would be attending an afternoon tea on 24<sup>th</sup> March and take with her flowers and a letter of congratulations and thanks from Parish Council.

It was mentioned Dr Holden is to retire shortly and suggested we write thanking for service to community

**Cllr Murphy** suggested a first aid training course for councillors

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**2017/107 To Note the Decisions of the Planning Committee**

**APPLICATIONS**

**P/2018/0167/HHFP**

Proposal: Single storey side and rear extension. 35 Langholm Road

**P/2018/0174/HHFP**

Proposal: First floor side extension above existing garage. 29 Coldstone Drive

**DECISIONS**

**P/2018/0035/FUL:** 10 Gordon Avenue: replacement dwelling at 10 Gordon Avenue.

**Withdrawn**

3 Gordon Avenue Single storey rear extension projecting 4.4m from the rear,3.5m high overall, and 2.25m to the eaves. **Approval Not Required**

**No comments re the above have been submitted by the Planning Committee.**

***Resolved***

***To receive and note the above***

**2017/108 To Pass Accounts for Payment/Receive Financial Update Accounts**

533	202625	gk cleary- chairman's allowance	170.00
534	BACS	SMART –pension contributions	48.40
535	BACS	EON	708.38
536	BACS	EON	158.07
537	BACS	Clerk Mar Salary	940.94
538	BACS	Caretaker Mar Salary	563.55
539	BACS	Sports Attendant Mar Salary	296.10
540	BACS	HMRC –period 11	391.71
541	202626	Rex –fire alarm servicing	59.83
542	202628	Walker & Brandwood - boiler changing rooms	3444.00
543	202627	Electrical & Combustion - initial call out	51.30
544	202629	GMS - legionella inspection/monitoring	216.00
545	202630	St Helen Council - chairs	250.00
546	BACS	British Gas	591.70

**TOTAL £7889.98 no S137 payments**

A copy of the Receipts and Payments for the year to date was circulated at the meeting

**Resolved:**

***to pass the above schedule of accounts for payment.***

***To receive and note the Receipts and Payments for the year to date***

**2017/109 Update on Halls**

There was no update on the halls – the Working Party is yet to meet to discuss report on survey done earlier in the year.

***Resolved: to receive and note update***

**2017/110 Defibrillator for Seneley Green**

The meeting with Seneley Green Juniors to progress the installation/maintenance/monitoring arrangements for the defibrillator will be held next Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> March. The resident who raised the issue has been invited to come along to this meeting.

***Resolved: to receive and note update***

**2017/111 Summer Event/Carnival**

Cllr Murphy proposed holding an event in Garswood Primary school grounds and to incorporate 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the town in the event and Cllr Murphy also proposed giving gifts schoolchildren in the Parish to this end.

Another event to celebrate volunteers in the Parish was also discussed – Cllr Murphy wished for this to take place prior to the end of Cllr Pearson's Mayoral term of officer.

Volunteers event: contact schools, churches, hirers, Rosalyn knows a lot of people, Ashton write to Sue to ask when available

***Resolved:***

***for the clerk to liaise with the school over a convenient date for the summer event and bring back to next meeting***

***For the clerk to liaise with Mayor's secretary and Garswood Labour Club over a date for the volunteers' event and bring back to next meeting***

**2017/112 Parish Council Vacancy**

Following the advertising of the vacancy, no requests for a poll were received by the Monitoring Officer at St Helens. It was proposed that the Parish Council co-opt Mark Flynn who had expressed an interest in the vacancy.

***Resolved: to co-opt Mark Flynn (a resident of Seneley Green) as a Member of the Parish Council***