



**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON
WEDNESDAY 10th OCTOBER 2018
IN THE PARISH HALL, MONTREY CRESCENT**

Present:

Councillors: GK Cleary, Chairman
Stuart Barton
Mrs SM Murphy
J Pearson
B Pilkington

The Chairman opened the meeting and welcomed our new Councillor Stuart Barton to his first meeting following his co-option to the recent vacant post. He also welcomed two members of the Healthy Living Team from St Helens to the meeting and then suspended Standing Orders and went to Public Participation and Policing of the Area before returning to the Agenda.

- 2018/61 To pass as a true record the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on Wednesday 12th September 2018**
Resolved: to agree for the Chairman to sign the Minutes of the above meeting as a true record.
- 2018/62 To Note Apologies for Absence**
Apologies had been received from Cllrs: M Flynn, Mrs B Ashcroft, Mrs S Cleary and it was proposed to convey our good wishes to Mrs Cleary for her continuing recovery.
Resolved: to receive and note above apologies for the Clerk to write to Cllr Mrs Cleary
- 2018/63 *Public Participation**
Amongst items commented on this evening: lots of litter about the area and flytipping has increased; Fireworks being set off way in advance of Bonfire Night; residents were happy to see Healthy Living Team from St Helens Council in attendance.
Cllr Barton mentioned the St Helens Council App is a very useful tool in reporting issues under their jurisdiction direct to them.
for information only, issues that require further discussion will appear on the Agenda of a future meeting
- 2018/64 To Receive Declarations of Interest from Members**
Cllr Murphy declared a personal, non-prejudicial interest in relation to the planning application for 28-30 Hamilton Road.
Resolved: to receive and note the above declaration
- 2018/65 * Policing of the Area**
No report had been received and no officers were in attention The Clerk was asked to remind police re re crime report for the next meeting. It was commented we should write of our concerns at the lack of police and amount of work, etc.
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- 2018/66 *Chairman, Councillors and Clerk's Updates**
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Amongst items updated on this evening included:
Defibrillator, Website, Carnival, Tree Lighting, YMCA recycling container, LED street lights, Clerks annual leave notification.

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2018/67 To Note the Decisions of the Planning Committee

Planning Committee updated on recent planning applications/decisions and the application for 28-30 Hamilton Road was discussed; concerns were raised over the creation of parking in close proximity to a busy road junction in relation to road safety and especially with the school being very close to the proposed development. It was commented (in common with all applications) that numbers of complaints determines how the application is dealt with so all residents wishing to object (or indeed support) had been advised to submit their own comment.

APPLICATIONS

P/2018/0687/HHPA 387 Garswood Road WN4 0TY

Single storey rear extension projecting 3.475m from the rear, 3.655m high overall, and 2.230m to the eaves.

P/2018/0652/FUL 28 - 30 Hamilton Road WN4 0SU

First floor extension to existing single storey commercial block to form 3 no flats, new shop fronts, ramp to front and ground floor rear porch

Resolved: to receive and note the update

2018/68 To Pass Accounts for Payment/Receive Financial Update

Details of the accounts for payment (below) and the financial update were circulated to those present. A query re one payment was received and satisfactorily answered by the Clerk. Cllr Murphy requested payments to one company in particular continue to be monitored – the Chairman assured that this was the case.

629	M&D Alleyn	45.89
630	PKF Littlejohn - audit invoice	360.00
631	Truline (electrical work for defib installation)	183.12
632	SLCC Membership	147.00
633	HMRC - period 6	147.59
634	Sports Attendant - Salary Oct	318.98
635	Caretaker - Salary Oct	533.82
636	Clerk - Salary Oct	1200.16
637	SMART Pension -Aug	61.72
638	Rex Group Services - fire alarm maintenance	136.63
639	St Helens Council - Emergency First Aid Course SM MF & CB	330.00
640	Clerk - MS 365 subscription	59.99
641	Electrical & Combustion - survey electrical use	51.30

Resolved:

to pass the above schedule of payments totalling £ 3576.20 WITH NO S137* payments

for the Chairman to sign the bank reconciliation

2018/69 Healthy Living Team Presentation

Officers from the above team came along to give an overview of their services confirming they are St Helens Council and based at Lincoln House. Mel Pilling and Lucy Colquitt explained lots of the services they offer are bespoke to areas, reflecting the needs of the area. They already offer activities at Garswood Surgery, Garswood Primary and Garswood Library. They work alongside staff at baby clinics, food and nutrition team host activities at Garswood Primary working with a certain age range but school also invites them along so they can interact with older members of the family. Cooking sessions can be organised for the community. Fit for All Team could work with teenagers. They explained the

Exercise Referral Programme for those 16+ looking for support to get more active and referral for this has to be from a clinician i.e. cardiac/stroke rehab, elderly (falls prevention). At the moment there is no specific exercise programme within Seneley Green.

Health trainer programmes are also available to work with clients on smoking cessation, weight loss, debt management, housing issues etc.

They impressed the importance of mental health in the success of all activities and spoke for a few minutes on this subject and presented 'connection' as key to well-being.

Cllr Murphy spoke about how the request for the attendance by HLT came about, explaining some residents had asked about weight control, exercise classes like T'ai Chi etc. Also mentioned the value of the Coffee and Chat groups. It was asked for a date in the diary for a 'come and meet the team' event'.

Resolved:

For the Clerk to liaise with the Healthy Living Team over the organisation of a 'come and meet the team' session

For the Clerk to attach a link to the Healthy Living Team to Parish Council website

2018/70 Proposed Youth Club

Cllr Barton spoke about the background to the idea of the youth club. Sports clubs in the area but not general. He spoke about having the volunteers in place to do an u14's and u10's to provide a safe place for children to get together. He proposed for Parish Council to fund to set up (volunteers need DBS checks, for example) He confirmed he wished to get this up and running and then handover to group to continue. He spoke briefly on other plans to develop and diversify in the future.

Resolved:

To financially and facility support the set up of the Youth Club

For the Youth Club to be an Agenda item at each meeting

2018/71 Proposed Youth Council

Cllr Cleary spoke a little about Youth Council's and said they are becoming very popular and lots of Parish Councils have these set up. Cllr Barton proposed to link this in with the Youth Club Development and report back at a future meeting

Resolved: *to link this proposal into the development of the Youth Club*

2018/72 Tree Lighting Events (Downall Green and Garswood)

Downall Green Tree Lighting has been arranged for 30th November and provision of the tree was proposed

The Stag Tree Lighting is proposed for 6th December

Resolved:

To support the celebrations at the above events

To agree expenditure and for the Clerk to organise a replacement tree in Downall Green prior to 30th November

To agree expenditure (reflecting costs in previous years) to support the Tree Lighting Ceremony at The Stag

2018/73 Volunteer Event

It was proposed to take the planning of the above event forward and Garswood Labour Club was proposed as the venue on either 16th or 23rd November (subject to availability). The Clerk would update Members once she had confirmed availability. A buffet was proposed, along with framed letter for those being honoured. Cllr Pearson suggested contacting each organisation and asking for nominations of individuals for special acknowledgement. Cllr Barton agreed to assist in contacting all organisations to ensure all eligible residents are included on the invitation list.

Resolved: for the Clerk to organise the proposed volunteer event at the end of November at Garswood Labour Club (subject to availability), update Members accordingly and liaise with Cllr Barton.

2018/74 Update on Halls

The Clerk reported the next meeting of the Estates Working Party was scheduled to take place on 17th October so information from this would be available at the next meeting.

The Clerk reported there had been increased requests to hire the halls as a result of increased advertising and two groups had made regular bookings, however the feedback from some of those requesting involved the need to hire at a lower cost for just 1-2 hours rather than the four hour blocks offered at the moment.

Resolved:

To await feedback from the Estates Working Party

To review hire charges/policy at the next meeting (for Members to receive, note and consider any update)