



WROUGHTON PARISH COUNCIL

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the meeting held on 19 March 2018 at 7.30pm
in The Ellendune Community Centre.

- Present**
- Cllr C Clark
 - Cllr H Dosanjh
 - Cllr S Harcourt (Chair)
 - Cllr J Hewer
 - Cllr G Jones
 - Cllr T Kimberley-Fairbourn
 - Cllr S Pagett
 - Cllr A Richards
 - Cllr A Spry
 - Cllr D Wells
 - Cllr A Woodhead
 - Cllr H Woodward (Vice Chair)
- Clerk** Jodie Smart
- FC/191** Apologies
Apologies were received from Cllr P Bhardwaj, Cllr L Campisano and Cllr B Kingstree.
- FC/192** Declarations of Interest & Applications for Dispensation
There were no declarations of interest nor applications for dispensation.
- FC/193** Public Questions
There were no members of the public present.
- FC/194** Minutes of Previous Meeting
Members **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the Parish Council meetings held on 19 February 2018.
- FC/195** Finance & General Purposes Committee
Members **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the meetings held on 19 February 2018.
- FC/196** Leisure & Amenities Committee
Members **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 5 March 2018.
- FC/197** Planning Committee
Members **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the meetings held on 21 February.
- The Chair deferred agenda item 8 (information from Borough Councillors).*
- Cllr S Pagett entered the meeting at 7.33pm.*

FC/198

Youth Advisors

Miss Tilly Jones asked if the Youth Shelter at Maunsell Way was going to be re-installed. The Clerk confirmed that it would be re-installed and had formed part of the re-siting of the play equipment for the installation of the BMX pump track.

Cllr C Clark entered the meeting at 7.35pm.

FC/199

Information from Borough Councillors

Apologies were received from Cllr B Ford and Cllr C Martyn.

Cllr Wayne Crabbe informed members that he and the other Borough Councillors had secured a grant of £15,000 from Swindon Borough Council for improvements to the Devizes Road crossing. Cllr Crabbe suggested that the most likely solution for the crossing would be to make the crossing a speed bump. Cllr H Woodward commented that she thought a simple, low cost solution would be to extend the footpath so that an alternative crossing point could be accessed whilst the crossing is flooded. Cllr Crabbe responded that he would be happy to listen to any suggestions. Cllr A Woodhead asked if it was possible to raise a speed bump on an A road. Cllr Richards clarified by asking whether it was permitted. Cllr Crabbe replied that it was possible and permitted. Cllr T Kimberley-Fairbourn stated that she supported raising the zebra crossing as she believed that it would calm traffic too. Cllr Kimberley-Fairbourn added that she felt that pedestrians should be prioritised over vehicles. Cllr J Hewer asked if flooding either side of a raised crossing could be alleviated by putting a pipe for water to flow beneath the crossing. Cllr Crabbe responded that his preferred method of drainage has always been a run-off chamber underneath the grass verge. Cllr A Richards commented that she believed there should be signage to warn drivers of a raised crossing. Cllr T Kimberley-Fairbourn added that she had witnessed road hazards being demarked by white lines in the road which get closer together as you move towards the hazard. Cllr A Spry asked what the estimated cost for raising the crossing was. Cllr Crabbe replied that this had not been calculated yet. Cllr Spry asked if the raised crossing would need replacing if the run-off chamber were installed at a later date. Cllr Crabbe responded that the water will become a hazard and that there was still design work for Swindon Borough Council Officers to complete before a firm decision can be made.

Cllr W Crabbe informed members that discussions were underway between Tick Tock's and Swindon Borough Council regarding them inhabiting the library building. Cllr H Woodward stated that Tick Tock's had reported on social media that they were definitely going into the library building. Cllr Crabbe responded that there was definite support from Borough Councillors and Officers for this to go ahead. Cllr A Woodhead asked if Tick Tock's would be taking over the whole building or if the previously planned refurbishment would be going ahead. Cllr Crabbe responded that this was still in discussion but that Officers would be arranging all necessary works to the building first.

Cllr W Crabbe informed members that he had received confirmation that waste and recycling collections would be going ahead despite the recent weather conditions.

Cllr W Crabbe informed members that he had witnessed issues with access to the site of the Linden Homes development at Berkeley Farm and asked that any complaints or reports regarding this be forwarded to him.

The Ward Councillors left the meeting at 7.48pm.

FC/200

Parish Council Representatives' Report

Members **NOTED** a report from Cllr J Hewer regarding the PCSO drop in session on Saturday 3 March 2018 and the Community Safety Forum meeting on Tuesday 13 March 2018, a copy of which appears as Appendix A in the Minute Book.

Members **NOTED** the verbal report of Cllr T Kimberley-Fairbourn as Chair of the Wroughton Community Asset Trust. Cllr Kimberley-Fairbourn informed members that the Library had managed to open during the recent weather conditions. Cllr Kimberley-Fairbourn stated that the extended opening hours had been agreed with Swindon Borough Council and asked if an insert could be included within the Parish Council Newsletter due for distribution. The Clerk confirmed that this was possible. Cllr Kimberley-Fairbourn reported that the Trust had been sharing best practice with other community libraries and added that whilst they were still figuring out the 'quirks' she felt that the Library was operating well.

Members **NOTED** the minutes of The Ellendune Hall Trust meeting held on Monday 12 March 2018, a copy of which appear as Appendix B in the Minute Book.

FC/201

Chair's Report

The Chair gave a verbal report and informed members that a new Grounds Team Member had been recruited and would be starting work on Monday 26 March 2018.

The Chair gave thanks to those members that had given feedback for the Clerk's appraisal. The Chair reported that himself and the Vice Chair had performed the appraisal that morning and would be reporting this to the Finance and General Purpose Committee meeting next month.

The Chair reminded members that there was a community engagement evening regarding the relocation of the community library into the Ellendune Community Centre next Tuesday 27 March in the Ellendune Community Centre at 6pm.

FC/202

Risk Assessments

Members **NOTED** the report of the Clerk regarding risk management and assessments, a copy of which appears as Appendix C in the Minute Book.

Members **RESOLVED** to approve the Risk Management document with agreed suggestions from Cllr A Woodhead, a copy of which appears as Appendix D in the Minute Book.

FC/203

Ellendune Community Centre Committee

Members **RESOLVED** to approve the dissolution of the Ellendune Community Centre Committee now that The Ellendune Hall Trust is reformed.

FC/204

Finance and General Purpose Committee

Members **RESOLVED** to approve the removal of Cllr G Jones from the Finance and General Purpose Committee, following the dissolution of the Ellendune Community Centre Committee of which he is the Chair and subsequent member of the Finance and General Purpose Committee.

The meeting closed at 8.15pm.

Signed.....

Date.....

Chairman of the Council