

COLWALL PARISH COUNCIL

The minutes of the meeting of Colwall Parish Council held in the Jean Simon Room Colwall Village Hall, Mill Lane, Colwall at 7.30 pm on Wednesday 22nd February 2017.

Present: Councillors: Trafford-Roberts (Chairman), Beard, Butler, Carless, Daniels, Haynes, James, Kendrick, Rees, Taylor, County Councillors Johnson and the Clerk.

1. Welcome and Apologies:

The Chairman welcomed those present and apologies for absence were received and accepted from Councillors Cooper, Cottam and Stock.

2. Declarations of Interests:

The Chairman reminded Councillors of the need to declare any Interests in items on the agenda.

None were declared.

3. Minutes:

The minutes of the last meeting of the Parish Council held on the 25th January 2017 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

The meeting was adjourned

County Councillor Johnson advised the Council that “Herefordshire’s allocation from the Highways Maintenance Blocks Needs Formula for 17/18 is £10.24m for spend across the county.

In addition to this allocation there is an additional £899k for pothole repairs”.

The Walwyn Road has been currently scheduled for resurfacing works on 2 stretches – Frogs Island to Cotswold Gate (on the upper section of the Walwyn Road) and From Barton Cottages to 50 meters after the junction/corner by Barton Court towards the A449 (lower section of the Walwyn Road).

Both are outside of the 30 mph areas.

County Councillor asked the Councillors to consider these proposed resurfacing works, and to advise him if there are other stretches of the Walwyn Road which in their opinion are more needy of resurfacing; this would enable him to put forward an alternative proposal to the contractors Balfour Beatty.

IT WAS AGREED the Clerk would collate the Councillors response and forward to County Councillor Johnson (copying in the Councillors) within the next 4 weeks.

The meeting was reconvened.

4. Progress Report –

i) S106 monies - Highways update from the Clerk.

The Clerk reported there is currently £65,640.00 (index linked) funds available from S106 monies for specific Highways improvements in the Parish.

£42,039 of this relates to the S106 agreement for Brockhill Road and has to be allocated/spent before 5th May 2017.

The Clerk had arranged for Councillor Stock to meet with Yvonne Coleman – the Planning Obligations Manager/Development Management at Herefordshire Council, at the end of January 2017, to discuss a potential wish list of improvements to the Highways - infrastructure, lighting and dropped kerbs.

Following that meeting, Councillor Stock submitted a report, priority list and map of the identified locations.

Ms Coleman has subsequently scheduled a meeting on 23rd February to agree how best to proceed with both the highway works for the school and those identified by the parish. Ms Coleman will then let Councillor Stock know how Herefordshire Council propose to proceed following that meeting.

Following this, the plan is that Councillor Stock will then put an achievable proposal before the Parish Council for agreement.

ii) Highways matters – repairs/resurfacing of the Walwyn Road

(see above)

iii) Library Working Group

There was no formal update from the working party, but Councillors took the opportunity to ask the working party some questions relating to their remit and progress to date.

5. Financial Matters.

i) Colwall Parish Council considered the Income and Expenditure for February 2017, as per the list circulated at the meeting.

IT WAS RESOLVED that the payments should be authorised.

ii) **IT WAS RESOLVED** that the Clerk offer to purchase the 2 publications stated in the “Lost Public Rights of Way presentation and supporting material” for the Colwall Village Society, at a cost of up to £90.00.

6. Correspondence for processing.

i) Recent article relating to Community Churches aspirations in the Parish for an additional community centre.

Councillors discussed and noted the recent article in “the Clock”.

Councillor Carless will sign post the organisers to the Village Hall Management Committee and other relevant bodies in the Parish including St James Church.

ii) Letter from Malvern Hills Conservators regarding a consultation on the future governance of the Malvern Hills Conservators.

IT WAS AGREED the Clerk accept the offer and invite the Director of the Conservators- D Bridges and Chairman of the Conservators Governance Committee, Prof J Raine to either the Annual Parish Meeting of Colwall Parish Council on the 3rd May 2017 or the Full Council meeting on the 24th May 2017.

7. Correspondence for Information.

None

8. Reports of Committees.

i) **IT WAS RESOLVED** that the reports from the Planning & Development Committee meetings held on the 25th January and the 8th February 2017.were received, approved and adopted.

ii) **IT WAS RESOLVED** that the report from the Village Amenities Committee held on the 1st February 2017 was received, approved and adopted.

9. Representatives on Outside Bodies.

To receive reports from Councillors who have represented Council at meetings since the last Full Council meeting

i) Councillor Rees had attended a Malvern Hills Conservators Governance board meeting – See 6 (ii) above.

10. Date of next meeting:

To confirm the date of the next Full Council meeting, this will be held on Wednesday 8th March 2017 at the Jean Simon Room, Colwall Village Hall. The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.50pm.

Signed: **Date:**