

## COLWALL PARISH COUNCIL

**The minutes of the meeting of Colwall Parish Council held at The Jean Simon Room, Colwall Village Hall, Mill Lane, Colwall at 7.40 pm on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2020.**

**Present:** Chairman – Rees, Councillors Beard, Butler, Daniels, Evans, Haynes, Morrissey, Rees, Stratton, Wiseman and Wren 3 members of the public, County Councillor Johnson and the Clerk.

### **1. Welcome and Apologies:**

The Chairman welcomed those present.

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor Stock.

Councillor Cottam joined the meeting during item 7.

### **2. Declarations of Interests:**

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

Councillor Butler declared a Non Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in item 6 on the agenda.

The meeting was suspended to allow County Councillor Johnson to address the Council regarding 2 matters of interest to Colwall.

#### **1. Proposed Hereford Bypass–**

“Following a change of administration and with time to reflect, it has now been decided to “pause all work on the Hereford bypass and Southern link road to allow further time to review these schemes in more detail and look at other options”.

As a result of this pause the £27m of funding has now fallen away, as it has failed to be used within the time limit set when granted.

**2. Ledbury** has a current planning application for 620 new houses under the viaduct. It was originally intended that there should be 2 access roads onto the site, one from the Bromyard Road and the other from the bypass and under the viaduct. However, the current application, from Bovis Homes, incorporates only 1 access off the Bromyard Road. C.C. Johnson has strongly objected to this, and has advised that he will only support the application if there are 2 access roads onto the site, due the congestion and traffic issues that will arise in Ledbury and the surrounding area including Colwall if the site only has access to it off the Bromyard Road. The developer has refused to consider a second access. Herefordshire Council planning committee have refused this application which is now subject to appeal; in response to this, Herefordshire Council have requested that the application be reviewed and decided upon by the Secretary of State, rather than the Planning Inspectorate. County

Councillor Johnson will keep the Parish updated on both these matters via the Clerk.

The meeting was reconvened.

**3. Minutes:**

i) The minutes of the last meeting of the Parish Council held on the 11<sup>th</sup> December 2019 were agreed as a true and correct record and were signed by the Chairman.

**4. Financial Matters.**

i) Colwall Parish Council considered the Income and Expenditure for January 2020, as per the list circulated at the meeting.

IT WAS RESOLVED that the payments should be authorised.

ii) IT WAS RESOLVED that the realigned 19/20 NDP budget be approved with the total NDP budget remaining at £7,985.

**5. Neighbourhood Development Plan**

IT WAS RESOLVED that the “approved plan” and all supporting documentation be submitted to Herefordshire Council in accordance with Regulation 15, which is to be followed by the Regulation 16 Consultation, which will be undertaken by Herefordshire Council.

**6. Hills Ford Three Shires Stages**

IT WAS AGREED Councillor Morrissey would collate feedback from the Councillors and present a recommended response to Motorsport UK at the next meeting of Colwall Parish Council.

**7. Communication and Engagement Group working party update**

**Councillor Evans provided an update which included 5 proposals each was considered**

i) Potential to merge the Library working party with the Communication Working party. Council IT WAS AGREED the Group would present a more detailed proposal for consideration, at the next meeting of Colwall Parish Council.

ii) Herefordshire Talk Community Hub – IT WAS AGREED Councillor Evans would provide the contact details for Gemma Johnson to the Clerk, so that the Clerk could invite Gemma to the next available meeting of Colwall Parish Council.

iii) Buddy – System – IT WAS AGREED to adopt.

iv) Adoption of new email and workspace resource. IT WAS AGREED In order to consider this further, Councillor Wiseman would liaise with Councillor Stock who had undertaken the Compliance work relating to the implementation of GDPR for Colwall Parish Council.

v) Renaming Parish Surgeries to Parish Hub – THIS WAS AGREED along with the suggestion that the wording should commence with “Come and meet your Councillor at .....

**8. Correspondence for Processing**

i) Over spill car parking near Railway Station – Councillors were of the opinion that use of the Railway Station should be encouraged in order to maintain the railway station in Colwall.

- ii) Ledbury CVA Proposed Community Bus Route – IT WAS AGREED that “a letter of support” should be sent from the Parish Council.
- iii) Speeding in the Village – IT WAS AGREED Councillor Morrissey would liaise with Councillor Stock regarding the speed data collated last year with a view to presenting the options (including Community Speed Watch) for dealing with this issue at a future meeting of the Parish Council.

**9. Correspondence for Information.**

None.

**10. Reports of Committees.**

- i) IT WAS RESOLVED that the reports from the Planning & Development Committee meeting held on the 11<sup>th</sup> December 2019 and the 8<sup>th</sup> January 2020 be received, approved and adopted.

**11. Representatives on Outside Bodies.**

IT WAS AGREED Councillors are to email Councillor Stratton with any questions relating to Colwall Railway Station and the Rail Operator for the forthcoming West Midlands Stakeholder Table Conference which is being held on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2020.

**11. Date of next meeting:**

To confirm the date of the next Full Council meeting, this will be held on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2020 in the Jean Simon Room of Colwall Village Hall.  
The Chairman closed the meeting at 09:15 pm.

**Signed:** ..... **Date:** .....