

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE GRAPPENHALL AND THELWALL PARISH COUNCIL AT THE COUNCIL OFFICES, BELLHOUSE LANE ON THURSDAY 17th JANUARY 2019

Present: Councillors Mrs E Welborn (Chair), D Hockenhill, Mrs L Fernyhough, R Fisher, J McQuillan, G Welborn, P Wenlock and C Worsley

In Attendance: Janet Richards, Clerk to the Council/RFO
Colette Fellows, Assistant Clerk to the Council

168. Apologies for Absence

It was **resolved that** apologies and reasons for absence from Councillors R Bate, A Bennett, Ms S Chisholm, Ms W Johnson, H Kazi, C Taylor and P Warner would be accepted.

169. Disclosure of Pecuniary & Personal Interests

Councillor Fisher declared an interest in an item covered in minute ref. 182 (Planning Application for Four Acres, Stockport Road) and took no part in discussion.

170. Minutes

Resolved that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 20th December and Planning Committee meeting on 3rd January be approved as a true record.

171. Dispensation Requests

No dispensation requests were received.

172. Local Policing Issues by PCSO Sharon Perrie

PCSO Sharon Perrie attended the meeting and presented the following crime statistics:

ASB Incidents	= 7
Suspicious Activity	= 1
Burglary	= 2
Criminal Damage	= 2
Road Traffic Collisions	= 2
Shoplifting	= 0
Theft	= 0

Priorities for January/February 2019 would be: tackling anti-social behaviour, school parking, Tru Cam, Community Speed Watch and Neighbourhood Watch Scheme.

The PCSO also reported that a 36 year old male from Manchester had been charged with the burglary of St Anne's Avenue from 17th December. He had pleaded guilty and would be sentenced on 5th February.

173. Correspondence Warrington Borough Council (WBC)

a) Consultation on draft Local Bus Information Strategy – deadline 31st January 2019.

174. Information for Noting

- A meeting of the Grappenhall Heys Estate Committee took place on 14th January.
- The Assistant Clerk and Councillor Worsley attended a presentation by Openreach at Walton Parish Council on 16th January regarding improving broadband speeds.
- The new GYCA lease had finally been agreed and signed. The lease runs until 30th September 2036.
- The Assistant Clerk had been obtaining quotes and designs for the new Parish Council kitchen.
- Chair's Sunday will not take place this year. The Chair has opted to donate her budget allocation for this event to the 'Local Donations' budget.
- The Assistant Clerk would arrange the next Parks & Open Spaces meeting for end of February.

175. Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP)

The Clerk provided an update on the NDP. In brief, the revised survey yielded a further 675 survey responses, which added to the existing 175 gives a healthy total of 850 responses. Unfortunately the majority were returned in hard copy format, so staff had been doing some overtime to input them all. Kirkwells would shortly be carrying out the analysis and producing the report. The Residents Volunteer meeting would take place on Thursday 24th January.

176. Update on the South Warrington Parish Councils Local Plan Liaison Group

The Clerk provided an update to members. Not much had happened over the Christmas period, but John Groves (Planning Consultant) would be carrying out Local Plan training to Parish Councillors on 29th January and would be carrying out training to Residents Groups on 30th January, at Appleton Parish Hall. The draft Local Plan would be in the public domain during early March.

177. Village Life

David Skentelbery from Warrington Worldwide had written to ask whether Grappenhall and Thelwall Parish Council would wish to sponsor the 'What's On' column in Village Life magazine, at a cost of £180+Vat for 12 months. It was **resolved that** we would provide sponsorship at £180+VAT.

178. Risk Assessments

The Parish Council Risk Assessments had been revised and some minor amendments had been made to the 15th March 2018 version. It was **resolved that** this updated version be adopted.

179. Parish Councillor Planning Training

John Groves from GT Planning had offered to run a 2 hour planning training overview for members at a cost of £200. It was **resolved that** members would like to take John up on this offer – subject to a minor tweak in the training specification – which was to add in guidance on assessment planning applications received by the Parish Council. The training would take place during February.

180. Accounts for Payment

It was **resolved that** accounts for payment totalling £13,601.40 be approved.

181. Expenditure to Date

The Clerk presented 'expenditure to date' and no issues were reported.

182. Consideration of Planning Applications

The recent planning applications were considered (see attached report).