

**GREAT HANWOOD PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES** of the Parish Council Meeting, convened at St Thomas' Church Extension, Hanwood: **25<sup>th</sup> October 2016** at 7:30pm

**PRESENT:**

**Councillors:** Cllr J Percival (Chairman)  
Cllr K Bromage  
Cllr R Evans  
Cllr J Fox  
Cllr G Jones  
Cllr G Lewis  
Cllr Mrs J Pugh  
Cllr. W Davies

**In Attendance** Mrs R Turner, Clerk  
PC Summerfield  
3 members of the public

<b>Minute Ref.</b>	<b>Minute</b>	<b>Proposer / Seconder/ Action</b>
<b>16/017/048</b>	<b>ATTENDANCE &amp; APOLOGIES</b>  None received.	
<b>16/017/049</b>	<b>DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS &amp; DISPENSATION REQUESTS</b>  None.	
<b>16/17/050</b>	<b>PUBLIC SESSION:</b>  <b>i. Public Comments</b> – Roy Dunscombe, Chair of Hanwood Village Hall Committee, spoke to outline the Hall's request for assistance with the financing of the ongoing costs of the play areas at the Hall; he had also emailed the Council regarding this matter. The Hall is struggling to meet the cost of play area maintenance and play inspection reports are identifying issues with the equipment, albeit mostly minor; the current issues are rotting timber, chain replacement, worn bearings, entrapment points, need to inspect aerial wire. The Hall is concerned about rising costs of maintenance over time and potential liability if the equipment is not maintained. The Hall	

	<p>receives income from donations but has to give 50% of the donations back. Some people give voluntarily to the Hall although it tends to be the same group of people. The Hall also holds fundraising events. There are other issues with the Hall, such as a need to refurbish it, and this requires capital to be accrued as match funding. There is no football team now and they had maintained the playing pitch in the past, now adding another cost. SC gave a grant for the equipment for older children and the Village Hall has to maintain the equipment and surrounds and replace if needed; failure to do so could trigger a demand for repayment of the grant of £50,000. The Village Hall feels that the Caradoc View Play Area is less well used and that there is a risk the Village Hall play areas may have to close if financial assistance cannot be obtained. The Village Hall is seeking financial assistance from the Parish Council of £3000 for 2017/18 towards the play areas, as summarised below:</p> <p><b>Maintenance of both play areas at the Village Hall</b></p> <p>Aerial rope wire check - £100  Grass cutting - £360  Bark - £250  Play area inspections - £660  Equipment repairs - £360  ROSPA check - £70  Contingency - £200</p> <p>Waterside Park – clearing verges, cutting banks, hedges - £1000</p> <p>Cllr. Evans suggested asking Pontesbury Parish Council who inspects their zip wire to see if a saving could be made by jointly procuring inspections.</p> <p><b>TOTAL - £3000</b></p> <p>A member of the public spoke regarding speeding at Hanwood Bank. The Parish Council will request results from Community Speedwatch via David Fairclough. Cllr.</p>	
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	<p>Evans commented that 95% of those caught speeding are Shropshire residents and 5% from Birmingham (8 motorists). Cllr. Evans said that villages in Norfolk have signs informing motorists that Community Speed Watch schemes are active – he suggested looking into this for Hanwood.</p> <p><b>ii. Police Report</b> – during September there were the following incidents – ASB -1 (not youth related), burglary dwelling - 1 enquiries on going, assault – no complaint, malicious communication – no complaint pursued, racially aggravated assault – no complaint pursued. PC Summerfield commented that crime is generally low but it is vital that the public report incidents promptly.</p> <p><b>iii. Shropshire Councillor’s Report</b> – Cllr. Evans reported that Cabinet members asked for a decision on youth funding to be referred to the Young People’s Scrutiny Committee, with a decision to be made by end of December re youth funding. This does not help in setting precept rates.</p> <p>An application for an Arts Grant was refused by the Arts Council as Shropshire does not have a Cultural Strategy. The Scrutiny Committee has called in the Cabinet decision to delay making a decision on future swimming pool provision in Shrewsbury.</p> <p>The Local Plan is being reviewed because a national directive requires the authority to have a revised plan in place by 2018. The policies are likely to be less specific than in the current SAMDEV and Core Strategy e.g. an overall housing allowance may be allocated for the rural area as opposed to apportioning this between settlements. Cllr. Evans said that parishes may therefore need to review their Parish Plans to ensure that local guidance is in place.</p> <p>The SC highways contract post 2018 is unclear and decisions are yet to be made on how the contract will be let.</p>	
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	<p>SC has ongoing financial issues and funding cuts have been delayed during 2017/18, with shortfall to be met from SC reserves.</p> <p>It is likely that the Friends of Pontesbury Library will approach Great Hanwood parish for funding.</p>	
<b>16/17/051</b>	<p><b>MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:</b> The Council reviewed and approved the minutes of the Council meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> September 2016.</p>	<b>GL/KB</b>
<b>16/17/052</b>	<p><b>COUNCILLOR RESIGNATION &amp; CO-OPTION</b> It was noted that Cllr. Butler had resigned; the Council thanked him for his service. One candidate, Wynn Davies, had applied for the seat vacated by Cllr. Bateman. It was resolved to co-opt Wynn Davies and he duly signed his declaration of acceptance of office and joined the meeting; he had no interests to declare.</p>	<b>RE/GL</b>
<b>16/17/053</b>	<p><b>COMMITTEES</b> Further to recent changes in Council Membership, it was <b>RESOLVED</b> to appoint to Committees as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cllr. Davies to fill the vacancy on the General Purposes committee</li> <li>• Cllr. Pugh to fill the vacancy on the Planning Committee</li> <li>• Cllr. Pugh to be the Parish Council representative on Hanwood Village Hall committee</li> </ul>	<b>RE/GL</b>
<b>16/17/054</b>	<p><b>PARISH MATTERS TO REPORT:</b></p> <p><b>i. Defibrillator</b>– the Ambulance Service are now looking to put on a Basic training course which should be organised by November. It was agreed to ask the landlord of The Cock Inn if he would consider allowing the defibrillator to be moved to there (to be done after the training).</p> <p><b>ii. Dog fouling</b>– a bin has been requested.</p> <p><b>iii. Edgebold Roundabout</b>– Cllr. Evans to assist the Clerk in clarifying with Highways England what the issues are.</p> <p><b>iv. Street lights</b> – reports of lights out had</p>	<p><b>JP/RT</b></p> <p><b>RT</b></p> <p><b>RE/RT</b></p> <p><b>RT</b></p>

	<p>been passed to SC. Councillors reported further lights out on the main road and will pass the column numbers to the Clerk, to report to SC.</p> <p>v. <b>Footpath Red Lane</b> – blockage following ploughing has been reported. Clerk has reported it to Richard Knight, SC</p> <p>vi. <b>New parish matters</b> – the hedge walking from the shop to the river bridge is overhanging the pavement – Cllr. Percival to give the Clerk the address</p>	<p>RT</p> <p>RT</p>
16/17/055	<p><b>CARADOC VIEW PLAY AREA</b></p> <p>i. <b>Replacement equipment</b> (replacing the wooden trail by the entrance) – the Clerk circulated a draft design from Sovereign Playgrounds. It was agreed to ask a couple of other companies to do designs and then review how to proceed.</p> <p>ii. <b>Maintenance matters</b> – Clerk to seek quotes for replacing spinner bowl (via insurance) and to arrange for damaged edging around swing to be repaired. A draft of the tree survey had been received. This identified that, whilst they are not currently dangerous, the poplars have a medium term lifespan at best and therefore it was agreed to seek a quote for removing them now, as this could be funded through Environmental Maintenance Grant and this fund may not be available after this year. A couple of smaller conifer specimens were dead and needed removing and the other conifers would benefit from being reduced/thinning. It was agreed to also seek quotes for the maintenance to the conifers.</p>	<p>RT</p> <p>RT</p>
16/17/056	<p><b>YOUTH CLUB</b></p> <p>Update provided by Cllr. Evans in his report was noted. It was <b>RESOLVED</b> that the Clerk would take on the role of clerking the youth club, the terms of which would be discussed in closed session.</p>	JF/GJ
16/017/057	<p><b>HANWOOD VLLAGE HALL</b></p> <p>It was <b>RESOLVED</b> that the request outlined in</p>	RE/GJ

	<p>the public session be considered at the General Purposes Committee meeting on 29<sup>th</sup> November.</p>									
<p><b>16/17/058</b></p>	<p><b>PLANNING MATTERS:</b></p> <p><b>a. Planning Applications/Appeals for comment</b></p> <p><b>i. 16/04203/REM – Proposed Residential Development Land Adj. Highfield, Orchard Lane, Hanwood -</b> Approval of reserved matters (access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale) pursuant to permission 14/00391/OUT for the erection of a detached dwelling and garage on Plot 2 <i>Standing Orders were lifted to allow a member of the public to clarify that the drive way is a Right of Way and surfacing will remain permeable.</i> It was <b>RESOLVED</b> to ask the LPA to ensure that landscaping meets the requirements of the original S106 agreement. <i>Standing Orders were reinstated</i></p> <p><b>ii. 16/04092/OUT - Greenwood Meadow, Hanwood, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY5 8LJ - Outline application for the erection of detached dwelling and garage (to include access) – RESOLVED</b> to object due to overdevelopment and access to highway; concerns raised about previous applications in this application stand.</p> <p><b>b. Other planning matters</b> Clerk to enquire whether the £8000 unilateral undertaking ref development of The Oaklands has been received.</p>	<p><b>RE/KB</b></p> <p><b>RE/KB</b></p> <p><b>RT</b></p>								
<p><b>16/17/059</b></p>	<p><b>FINANCIAL MATTERS:</b></p> <p><b>i. Q1 &amp; Q2 financial report–</b> noted, showing a reconciled balance mid-year of £28352.15.</p> <p><b>ii. Payments for approval –</b> it was resolved to approve the following:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="443 1917 1123 2016"> <thead> <tr> <th>Payee</th> <th>Item</th> <th>Chq. No</th> <th>Amount</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>RBL</td> <td>Poppy wreath</td> <td>021</td> <td>£30.00</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Payee	Item	Chq. No	Amount	RBL	Poppy wreath	021	£30.00	<p><b>RE/JF</b></p>
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<b>16/17/060</b>	<p><b>CONSULTATIONS &amp; CORRESPONDENCE:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. <b>NHS Future Fit updates</b> - noted</li> <li>ii. <b>Shropshire Playing Fields Association</b> – request for funds noted</li> <li>iii. <b>Healthwatch Shropshire Annual Event</b> - noted</li> <li>iv. <b>SALC AGM</b> – Cllr. Evans to attend</li> <li>v. <b>To note correspondence received after agenda was issued</b></li> </ul> <p>None</p>																									
<b>16/17/061</b>	<p><b>COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER</b></p> <p>Agreed to include article regarding the possible tree work to the play area and replacement equipment and to seek volunteers to maintain the war memorial (Cllr. Fox to check it before Remembrance Day).</p>	<b>RT/JF</b>																								
<b>16/17/062</b>	<p><b>DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS:</b> 29th November 2016; 24th Jan 2017; 21st March 2017</p>																									
<b>16/017/063</b>	<p><b>ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA</b></p> <p>Michael Davies to attend to present options for traffic calming scheme.</p>	<b>RT</b>																								
	<p><b>CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS:</b></p> <p><i>It was resolved that pursuant to Schedule 12A, Local Government Act 1972 and pursuant to the provisions of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960, the following items are confidential as they concern commercial contractual matters and information relating to an individual</i></p>																									

<b>16/17/064</b>	<b>CLERK PROBATION PERIOD REVIEW</b> – it was <b><u>RESOLVED</u></b> to confirm that the Clerk had passed her probation period.	<b>JF/JG</b>
<b>16/17/065</b>	<b>STREET LIGHT MAINTENANCE</b> – quotes being sought for the contract.	<b>RT</b>
<b>16/17/066</b>	<b>YOUTH CLUB CLERKING</b> – it was <b><u>RESOLVED</u></b> that an extra half an hour per week be added to the Clerk's contract to cover extra time required to Clerk the Youth Club.	<b>JF/GJ</b>