WERRINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD MONDAY 8th JULY 2024

AT WERRINGTON VILLAGE HALL

PRESENT

Cllrs J Morrison (Chair)

Cllrs P Nixon, S Hill, D Brindley, L Ibbs, N Meakin, B Hughes

G Keiher-Knapper (Deputy Clerk)

SMDC Cllr P Hughes arrive 1910hrs.

Two Police Officers arrived at 1915hrs.

There were 2 members of the public present.

The Chair opened the meeting at 7.00pm

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Two members of public attended the meeting to ask for Werrington Parish Councils assistance with regards to the drainage issues of foul and storm that they are experiencing on Salters Close since the new development. The members of the public have tried to resolve the issues themselves but have been unsuccessful. It was agreed that the Deputy Clerk would contact SMDC, Severn Trent and the Developer to try to resolves these issues as soon as possible.

1915hrs the members of public left the meeting.

066/24 APOLOGIES

Cllr K Griffiths not accepted, Cllr P Brown accepted and Cllr C Brownsword accepted.

Cllr D Normington has resigned from Werrington Parish Council

067/24 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

068/24 REGISTER OF INTERESTS:

None.

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1915hrs Two Police Officers joined the meeting.

The PCSO reported that there had been 6 ASB reports since January and 5 of which were reported by the PC. The PCSO also reported that they held a drop-in clinic at the library which nobody attended. The Chair asked that more notice of dates be given in future to arrange better advertisement. The PCSO agreed to provide future dates asap. The Chair thanked them for attending and they left the meeting.

069/24 The **minutes** of the following meeting were reviewed for accuracy and approved:

a) Minutes of the Full Council Meeting Monday 10th June 2024.
b) Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting Monday 24th June 2024.

Cllr P Nixon proposed that the minutes be approved.

This was seconded by Cllr B Hughes and carried.

It was approved that drafted minutes following any meeting should be circulated within seven days of the meeting taking place.

070/24 The **action plan** was reviewed and updated.

071/24 The following **accounts** were approved:

a) June 24 Bank Reconciliation.
b) June/Jul 24 payments.
c) Budget Review.

The budget was discussed as areas look like overspends have been made but the spend was on projects taken on using S106 funding. It was agreed to wait for the Clerks return before adjusting the budget to reflect this.

072/24 To receive a report from:

a) Staffordshire Moorlands Councillor

Cllr B Hughes – Nothing to report.

Cllr P Hughes – Will share with the Deputy Clerk Arts Funding details that is available.

b) County Councillor

Did not attend.

073/24 STAFF REPORTS:

a) The Clerk – Not in attendance.
b) The Deputy Clerk had previously circulated an update. Key items discussed were
    - WPC refused storage of trailer on the allotments.
    - Contractors and PC purchase of equipment for use, the clerk is to conduct further investigations and guidance.
    - V Dith at the Sports Ground.
c) Village Warden's report – Cllr P Nixon provided an update.
    - Now have PCSO contact details for Leek and Cheadle.
    - Resident raised issues with regards wilding area on Meigh Rd playing fields.
    - Conifers next to pump track.
    - Marques from the fun day are still in the lengthsmans hut.
    - Scrap building up in lengthsmans hut for disposal.

074/24 HIGHWAYS WORKING GROUP:

The working group have not met since the last Council meeting. A discussion was held regarding the Deputy Clerk last month reporting the overgrown grass verges and weeds around the Parish and the Highways Reporting App responded with unable to action to each report apart from Alan Dale where the lowered kerb was not usable because of weeds that has been actioned.

075/24 ANTISOCIAL BEHAVIOUR (ASB) WORKING GROUP

The Deputy Clerk will provide the Wardens with a table to complete daily recording how much time they spend clearing up after anti-social behaviour on the playfields and recording all damages so that the Parish Council can review this report when they next meet in September to discuss the input of further measures to protect the Parish Councils assets.

076/24 ALLOTMENTS

Cllr K Griffiths has now handed over to Cllr D Brindley. The Deputy Clerk has re numbered the plots that were marked incorrectly and confirmed the tenants and finalised payments.

077/24 SPORTS GROUND

Covered in Deputy Clerks report.

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078/24 MEIGH ROAD PLAYING FIELDS

Cllr L Ibbs and the Deputy Clerk to look at quotes and funding over summer to update the play equipment.

Cllr P Nixon and the Deputy Clerk to meet and analysis the Grounds Maintenance Contract.

Deputy Clerk confirmed that the second CCTV camera will go live very soon.

079/24 FOOTPATHS

Nothing to report in Cllr Griffiths absence.

080/24 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Werrington Parish Council agreed to submit objection on the grounds of over development for SMD/2024/0310.

081/24 CORRESPONDENCE:

None.

082/24 Councillor Updates/Items:

Cllr B Hughes updated the meeting with regards to the Parish Assembly meeting that she attended on behalf of WPC and that Planning was the main area of concern across all the Parish Councils.

083/24 Items for the next agenda:

Parish Magazine, Play Equipment, Playfields summer record of ASB.

Meeting Closed at 9pm

DATE OF NEXT MEETING IS 9TH SEPTEMBER 2024