

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF  
CHADDESLEY CORBETT PARISH COUNCIL  
Held on Monday 4 February 2019  
at Chaddesley Corbett Village Hall  
at 7.15 p.m.



Present: Chairman Cllr W Mack, Cllrs Mrs P Pardoe, S Williams, K Grigg, R Pugh, L Stockford, G Vernon, Mrs J Fox, M Page. District/County Councillor I Hardiman  
- Clerk Mrs Y Scriven and members of the public

POLICE: The Police attended the meeting and reported that there had been no problems in the area during January.

1. **APOLOGIES:** Cllr D Thomas
2. **DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST (DPI):** None  
**OTHER DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (ODI):** None  
**DISPENSATIONS –** As before
3. **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME:** None
4. **MINUTES**
  - a) The Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 7 January 2019 were approved and signed by the Chairman.
  - b) Minutes of the Planning Committee held on 7 January 2019 were approved.
5. **COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS:**
  - 5.1 **District Councillors Report** – Cllr I Hardiman reported that discussions were continuing with contractors about the proposed cinema hub on the former Glades site. Options are being considered for Parcel 4 which covers predominantly the large car parking area of Bromsgrove Street. Redevelopment of the Green Street Depot is continuing which will ultimately house the district Hub. Final budget proposals include money being allocated to help rough sleepers on the coldest nights of the winter.
  - 5.2 **County Council Report** – Cllr M Hart reported that increased signage for the A448 Winterfold turn was being progressed and bright flood lighting from Savilles Garage has been resolved. Identified potholes and white lining had been completed, as had the 30mph signs in the village. Highways were dealing with legal matters regarding the fencing at Cornerways. Extra signage on the A448 near the school was being investigated.

£1m of capital monies was proposed to tackle congestion on the A449 at Hoobrook. Following consultations the cuts in library services have been reduced. County Councillors will have £43,000 allocated to expenditure on highway capital schemes in their area. Council Tax for the County Council will be increased by 2.99% plus 1% for social care, which will increase a Band D property by £48.00 per year, 93p per week. Worcestershire is still in the lowest percentage quartile compared to other Shire Counties and in 2019-20 the council tax base will increase by circa 2,100 properties, bringing an additional yield of £13.3 million to spend on services for residents.
  - 5.3 Proposed road closure in the village for 5 days commencing on 27 February was discussed and the clerk was asked to find out what arrangements were being made for access for residents and to the Doctor's surgery. Cllr I Hardiman undertook to follow this up with the County Council.
6. **CHADDESLEY CORBETT MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION OR DECISION**
  - 6.1 **Neighbourhood Plan Review** – A working group meeting had taken place and it had been agreed that Kirkwells consultants would be invited to assist with the technical aspects of the review. A list

of planning application decisions since the Neighbourhood Plan had been made would be prepared. Grants were available from Locality of up to £9,000. Services now available from Worcestershire County Council would be explored. A quotation of £250 for Kirkwells to attend an exploratory meeting was agreed.

## 6.2 Burial Ground

6.2.1 Arrangements for landscaping of the extension land were discussed and a specification was agreed. Quotations would now be obtained.

6.2.2 Annual safety inspection had now been carried out and 4 headstones/books had been identified for repair. These were old graves with no current record of any relatives.

6.3 **Lengthsman Vacancy** – 3 applications had been received and interviews would be arranged.

6.4 **Internal Auditor** – It was agreed to appoint Diane Malley for a period of 3 years.

6.5 **Annual Parish Meeting 13 May 2019** – It was agreed that because of elections the meeting would be an ‘Open Session’ giving residents an opportunity to meet new councillors and ask questions.

## 6.6 Maintenance Work

6.6.1 Lengthsman – Pine needles and debris cleared from footpath and gutter on A448 near village hall.

## 7 CONSULTATIONS - None

## 8. CLERKS REPORT

- Inspector Jake Wright was leaving the Wyre Forest Police Force to take up another position
- Complaint from resident about parking in Sam Spencer Court, Harvington
- A448 near school – Highways suggestion to paint 30 mph speed limits on road at a cost of £400. Councillors did not feel this would help and were not prepared to fund it.
- Agreed a donation of £20 for St Richards Hospice
- Sign for Harvington to be located on white gate
- Picnic bench donated by resident in place in Orchard
- Lock for barrier on allotments stolen and had been replaced
- Wyre Forest District Council notified vacancy for councillor to be filled by election in May
- Two requests received to pre-purchase burial plots.
- Clerk to obtain permission for slabs to be laid on verge by parish notice boards in village.

## 10 FINANCIAL REPORT

10.1 The Clerk presented a schedule of payments and receipts for January 2019 which was approved.

10.2 The Bank Reconciliation for January was approved.

### PAYMENTS

| Name               | Purpose                                  | Amount | VAT    | Total  |
|--------------------|------------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| CC Village Hall    | Room Hire                                | 41.00  |        | 41.00  |
| CC Village Hall    | Dementia Café                            | 20.00  |        | 20.00  |
| Y L Scriven        | Net Salary                               | 757.87 |        | 757.87 |
| Bill Waldron       | Lengthsman                               | 75.00  |        | 75.00  |
| Don Robbins        | Work on burial ground                    | 100.00 |        | 100.00 |
| Bob Twining        | Lengthsman                               | 50.00  |        | 50.00  |
| Geoffrey Holding   | Waste Bins                               | 120.00 |        | 120.00 |
| Davis Memorials    | Annual Safety Inspection                 | 50.00  | 10.00  | 60.00  |
| St Cassians Church | Parish Magazine/Use of Mowers            | 800.00 |        | 800.00 |
| Dudley Print       | Printing, postage, enveloping Newsletter | 787.66 | 102.53 | 890.19 |
| London and Zurich  | Playground maintenance                   | 30.00  | 5.99   | 35.99  |

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|----------|-------------------------------|----------|--------|----------|
| Worcs CC | Tree pruning training         | 75.00    |        | 75.00    |
| NBB      | Picnic Bench (to be refunded) | 378.50   | 75.70  | 454.20   |
|          | Total Payments                | 3,285.03 | 194.22 | 3,479.25 |

#### RECEIPTS

|                 |                        |          |  |          |
|-----------------|------------------------|----------|--|----------|
| Worcs CC        | Grass cutting contract | 1615.83  |  | 1,615.83 |
| Allotment Rents |                        | 405.00   |  | 405.00   |
|                 | Total Receipts         | 2,020.83 |  | 2,020.83 |

11. Next Meeting to be held on Monday 4 March 2019 at 7:15 p.m.