

MADELEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held on

Thursday 2nd August 2018 at The Madeley Centre, New Road, Madeley at 7:00pm

Present:

Councillors: D. Whitmore, (Chairman) D. Barnish, (part) , Mrs. A. Bourne, A. Davenport, Mrs. A Newton, N. Orme , Mrs. D. Riley, Mrs B. Ruscoe, S. Jones, G White, (part) S. White, Mrs. J Whitmore.

County Councillor P. Northcott. (part)

Clerk-Mrs J Simpson

198.08/18 To receive apologies for absence.

Parish councillors, A. Rowley.
RFO-Mrs C Withington

198.08/18 To receive Councillors declarations of Pecuniary Interest in items on the agenda.

None were declared.

199.08/18 Public Participation:

There were no members of the public present.

200.08/18 To consider approving and signing the minutes of the last regular meeting held on 5th July 2018

The minutes from 5th July 2018 were confirmed as a true record and signed.

201.08/18 To consider matters arising from the minutes not included elsewhere on the agenda.

- a. Christmas tree in Madeley Heath-still waiting for final confirmation of Marley Eternit sponsorship. It was noted that if a tree was not to be provided at Greyhound Court then there was a suitable tree on Aspire Land that could be re-located. Cllr D Whitmore to check with Aspire.

DW

202.08/18 Neighbourhood Plan for Madeley Parish.

The Clerk reported that she would be writing to all stakeholders in relation to comments on the 12 sites identified in the Local Greenspace Audit.

203.08/18 To Receive reports from Borough and County Councillors.

- **County Councillor**-this item was taken at point 208.08/18 in the agenda
- **Borough Councillors**-.two large planning applications for New Road and Rowley House, Moss Lane had been called in and there was to be a planning site visit on 9th August 2018.
- **Community Support Worker**-a report had been previously circulated.

It was **resolved** to receive the information

204.08/18 Financial Matters,

- a. MPC Grant Programme-no applications had been received.
- b. It was **resolved** to approve the attendance of the RFO at SLCC conference in October at a cost of £45.65
- c. It was further **resolved** to approve the payments, receipts and transfers as in appendix D and the current budget situation was noted.

205.08/18 .Review of Community Support Worker Role.

It was **resolved** to approve the recommendations of the staffing panel that the post remain on a self employed basis and the Clerk to commence recruitment process with a closing date of 3rd September 2018. Recommendations for appointment to go to the October meeting for approval.

Clerk**206.08/18 Madeley Rural Community Charity.**

It was **resolved** to appoint Cllr N Orme as the nominated trustee to the Board of Trustees.

(Cllr G. White arrived at 7:25pm)

(County Cllr P. Northcott arrived at 7:25pm)

207.08/18 Christmas 2018.

There was a discussion as to whether there should be a Christmas Tree in Greyhound Court this year following the vandalism of the tree and lights in previous years. It was suggested that CCTV needed to be in place if there was to be a tree there. Decision deferred to next meeting.

**Next
meeting**

The Clerk confirmed the arrangements that had already been made- booking of pantomime, booking of venue for older person's party. A draft catering specification had been previously circulated.

It was **resolved** to approve the catering specification and the Clerk to try and secure 3 quotations.

Clerk

(Cllr D Barnish arrived at 7:35pm)

208.08/18 County Councillor Report.

- Benefit claims were down to 1.3% in the county but still behind the West Midlands as a whole.
- 331 potholes had been repaired the previous week
- 316 new highways faults had been reported.
- It was noted that it was the 15th year of The Queens Award.
- Users of superfast broadband had doubled.
- There had been issues with resourcing of policing in the rural areas-PCCO agreed that there would be scrutiny on Stop and Search and the use of force.
- From 1st August the FARs governance merged into the PCCO and it was not clear how scrutiny was to take place.
- Funding from the Road Safety Partnership was available.
- The NPPF was now in place and concentrated on high quality design. The implications were likely to put planning authorities under more pressure.
- Residents in Bowsey Wood had requested a reduction in the speed limit-that has been passed on to Highways for further investigation.
- Newcastle Borough Council has launched the Accredited Landlord Scheme for Houses of Multiple Occupation to force up standards.
- HS2-select committee proposed local membership of Parish Councils to a forum for Chairman and Councillors to get involved in.

- Cllr Northcott was asked what progress had been made with the flooding issues on Manor Road. Cllr Northcott agreed to follow up. **PN**

It was **resolved** to receive the information.

It was **further resolved** that Cllr G White submit a bid to the Road Safety Partnership to install six community speed watch signs at the entrances to the Parish. **GW**
- 208.08.18 Allotments.**

The Clerk had circulated in her report the result of the enforcement letters that had been sent to tenants re untidy plots.

There were now 9 vacant plots but the clerk had 3 that were about to be tenanted.

A good tidy up was needed to try and make the remaining vacant plots attractive to rent.

One of the allotment holders had agreed to act as an advisor to any of the tenants who needed support.
- 209.08/18 Madeley War Memorial**

There was still no progress with a start date. Clerk to chase. **Clerk**
- 210.08/18 Youth Activities**

Cllr Ms D Riley was looking at the costs of a youth shelter.

Cllrs G and S White had met with the trustees of Madeley Rural Community Charity who had agreed in principle that a shelter could be installed in the grounds of the Centre outside of the police post.

It was agreed that a partnership approach was needed to take the project forward. It was agreed that Cllr D Whitmore would engage with the young people who attend the LAP from the high school. **DW**
- 211.08/18 Outdoor Gym at Birch Dale.**

Clerk still chasing Legal for a copy of the agreement.

Cllr P Northcott agreed to intervene if no progress was made. **Clerk**
- 212.08/18 Adoption of BT Phone Box Madeley Heath**

NBC Planning dept had advised the Clerk that if the Parish Council wished to adopt the box it needed to first withdraw its objection to the removal of a working telephone. Once that had been done, the process could then proceed.

It was **resolved** to support the removal of the working telephone.
- 213.08/18 GDPR**

Work on the gap analysis was continuing. Everyone was reminded of the seriousness of a breach.
- 214.08/18 Heath Wood Issues**

The Clerk had written to the parishioner re extension of boundary garden into Heath Wood suggesting he contact his solicitor for further advice as MPC would recover any legal costs from the other party.

It was **resolved** to permit the Clerk to instruct solicitors to act for the Parish Council should the need arise.

215.08/18 HS2 Progress Report

The Early Access Agreement for Survey Purposes was due for renewal and requested by HS2.

It was **resolved** to sign the renewal of the agreement.

Clerk

216.08/18 Police and Crime Matters

There was increasing frustration at the delay of Eon supplying a quotation.

It was agreed that the Clerk chase again.

Clerk

217.08/18 Parish Appearances

a. Bower End-NBC Land. A complaint had been received from a Parishioner and previously circulated. It was noted that there used to be grass cut paths in the area.

It was **resolved** to ask the Community Payback Team to give the land some attention in the Autumn.

b. The Holly Hedge on Newcastle Road was been dealt with by Highways. The trees opposite the pharmacy had been previously reported by Cllr D Whitmore. They were scheduled to be cut back the coming weekend by the Community payback team.

c. Strimming off Hillwood-Clerk had asked the handyman to do this.

d. Adopt a planter scheme. The Council discussed the potential pros and cons of such a scheme but agreed it was important to first of all gauge community interest in such a project. It was agreed that an article go into the Parish Newsletter and also that the clerk write to community groups in the area to see if they were interested. The information would be brought to the next meeting. Cllr D Barnish to ask Crewe Arms if interested in adopting one.

The Old Hall and Madeley Residents Association had agreed to adopt a planter.

e. The Community Payback team will be cutting down the Himalayan Balsam around Madeley pool. There would be 2 visits in August.

AB

Clerk

DB

218.08/18 Councillors responsibilities

a. Cllr Mrs. Whitmore and Cllr N. Orme attended the Pepper Arts Event at the Mitchell Memorial Theatre on 15th July that had been supported by the Parish Council. The event had been very successful.

b. Madeley Pool-the death of the swan had been noted and the Angling Club had been asked to ensure that all weight, lines and hooks were removed as there were still issues with this been left. It was agreed that the partnership arrangement needed to be clarified to ensure clear compliance with all partners in the process.

c. Rodent control-the Clerk had circulated an e-mail from pest control in NBC. It was agreed that at this time the situation was to be monitored as rats always appear around water and the exceptionally hot weather

had encouraged rats to be more open in their search for food and was currently a national issue. Further action on control would be taken if the situation deteriorated.

219.08/18 Planning Applications

- a. 18/00526/FUL-Yew Tree House, School Lane, Onneley-ground floor extensions (alterations to planning permission 18/00279/FUL

<http://publicaccess.newcastle-staffs.gov.uk/online-applications/plan/18/00526/FUL>

There were no objections to this application.

- b. 18/00540/FUL-Bar Hill farm, Madeley-Anaerobic digester and control room.

<http://publicaccess.newcastle-staffs.gov.uk/applications/plan/18/00540/FUL>

The Parish Council fully supported this application and noted the positive environmental benefits to the application.

- c. 18/00560/ful-12 Vicarage Lane-replacement garden building.

<http://publicaccess.newcastle-staffs.gov.uk/online-applications/plan/18/00560/FUL>

The Parish Council had no objections to this application providing the size of the new construction was no bigger than the two old ones.

- d. 18/00488/OUT-Land adjacent to Hazeley Paddocks, Madeley Heath-outline application for infill site for single dwelling with detailed approval sought for access and siting/layout.

<http://publiucaccess.newcastle-staffs.gov.uk/online-applications/PLAN/1800488/OUT>

The Parish Council objected to this application as an inappropriate development in the Greenbelt.

220.08/18 Town and Planning Matters generally.

The report was noted.

221.08/18 Clerks Report

The Clerks report had been noted. The tree at the junction of Heighley Castle Way and New Road had a TPO on it. Details had been passed to the parishioner who wished to remove the tree and re-plant with a different species.

222.08/18 Race, Equality and Crime and Disorder Statement.

The Council recognized that it had discussed matters of crime and disorder.

223.08/18 Councillors Planned absence

Absences were duly noted.

224.08/18 Date and venue for the next regular meeting.

Thursday 6th September 2018, Madeley Centre, New Road, Madeley at 7:00pm

The Chairman thanked the Councillors for their attendance and closed the meeting at 9:00pm

Approved Payment Schedule August 2018

BACS/CHQ NO.	TO WHOM PAID	DETAILS	Total inc VAT
bacs 62	JD Quick	Extra payment July graffiti bus shelter	25.00
bacs 63	eurooffice	Ink CW and pens	81.66
bacs 64	eurooffice	Jan stationery	110.50
bacs 65	Mrs C Withington	10 x 2nd class stamps	5.80
bacs 66	Pepper Street	Grant towards outfits PAID	300.00
bacs 68	Madeley LAP	Fishing grant 300 PAID	300.00
bacs 69	C Withington	Salary August and Expenses	270.68
bacs 70	J Simpson	Salary August and Expenses	912.33
bacs 71	HMRC	Tax and NI August	107.70
bacs 72	JD Quick	Bus Shelters inc cleaning August	175.00
bacs 73	Amy Taylor	swing security August	70.04
bacs 74	Lisa Pickerill	swing security August	70.04
bacs 76	Staffs county council	GAP analysis DPO	390.00
bacs 77	Staffs county council	Legal Fees Madeley Pool and Aspire Play area	340.20
bacs 78	Madeley Centre	NP meeting and Monthly meeting June	38.00
bacs 79	Debra Burns	CSW - 46 hours May June July	460.00
bacs 80	Elmside	cenotaph and Rockery Garden	250.00
bacs 81	Glendale	Rock Garden Maintenance and grass	27.12
bacs 82	Glendale	Grass cutting July	634.92
bacs 83	SPCA	Training 25.07	20.00
		Monthly Total	4588.99

Signature

Date