

MADELEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held on

Thursday 3⁶⁰rd October 2019 at The Madeley Centre, New Road, Madeley at 7:00pm

Present:

Councillors: D. Whitmore, (Chairman), D. Barnish, (part), Mrs. A. Bourne, (part), A. Davenport, (part)
Ms. D. Riley, A. Rowley, Mrs B. Ruscoe, G. White, Mrs. J Whitmore (part)

Clerk- Mrs. J. Simpson.

RFO-Mrs c. Withington

228.10/19 To receive apologies for absence.

Parish Councillors: C. Hopkin, N. Orme,

229.10/19 To receive Councillors declarations of Pecuniary Interest in items on the agenda.

None were declared.

230.10/19 Public Participation:

- a. An allotment tenant attended the meeting to suggest that the Parish Council approves the planting of trees on the small parcel of land immediately to the right hand side of the vehicle entrance off Furnace Lane. The suggestion was native trees be planted and obtained from the Woodland Trust. It was noted that permission would be needed from the landowners prior to any further action. The Parishioner stated the allotment holders would care for the trees when planted.
- b. Committee members of the Save the Offley Arms attended the meeting asking for Parish Council support to save the Offley Arms as a community based public house. The group had formed a Community Benefit Society and was in the process of putting together a business plan following public consultation within the village. The auction for the sale was to be held on 21st October. The group asked the Parish Council to consider applying to Public Works Loan Board for a loan of £500,000 to secure the purchase and associated refurbishment costs. A discussion followed and the Clerk agreed to look at the process and get back to the group, though the deadlines were exceptionally tight to fulfill the criteria needed.

Clerk

231.10/19 To consider approving and signing the minutes of the regular meeting of the Parish Council held on 5th September 2019.

It was noted that A. Davenport had given apologies for the last meeting held on 5th September. The draft minutes were amended and then signed as a true record.

232.10/19 To consider matters arising from the minutes not included elsewhere on the agenda.

There were no further matters arising.

233.10/19 Police consultative reports and police matters generally.

PCSO Colin Hodgkinson supplied the following update for September 2019:

ASB-2 incidents.

Burglary-1 incident.

Criminal damage-1

RTCs-2

There had also been some fly tipping in Heighley Lane.

Graffiti had been seen by the footbridge in Station Road, Madeley and small fires had been set. The coping stones had been removed by Rail Track and not as a result of vandalism.

Fishing competitions had finished. 15-20 had attended Cudmore fisheries but

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poor weather in Madeley meant only 2 people attended.
There had been further issues with uninsured motorbike issues in Birch Dale.

234.1019 Neighbourhood Plan for Madeley Parish.

- a. NBC now had a dedicated officer for Neighbourhood Planning and a meeting with the steering group was scheduled for 22nd October.
- b. A request for information had been submitted by a landowner of a proposed piece of land in the green space strategy. A response had been sent and efforts were been made to engage with the owner via a meeting.

235.10/19 To Receive reports from Borough and County Councillors.

a. Borough Councillors

- Quotations for work on Madeley pool had been received-any material dredged from the pool would be used to backfill on the banks subject to sample testing being positive.
- Drainage issues had been reported to SCC
- Graffiti and fire in 233.10/19 above had been reported.
- There had been complaints about fireworks-police going to attend when dry and dark.
- Cllr G White spoke on Radio Stoke to raise awareness about the Offley Arms
- Hedges had been addressed in College Gardens.
- Community Clean up day was scheduled for 7th November.

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

- b. County Councillor-no report was available. Clerk to ask for a written update.

Clerk

236.1019

To consider **Financial Matters** including:

The next agenda item was Chaired by the vice chairman Cllr G White.

- a. The balance of £1150. in the MPC Grant Programme was noted. An application from Madeley Residents Association to fund the Halloween party for young people was considered. It was **resolved** to award £500 to the Residents Association for the Halloween event.
- b. Application from the Madeley Centre for £4000 towards grounds maintenance was further deferred as no one was present.
- c. Revised Model Financial Regulations-it was **resolved** to approve with the amendments as discussed.
- d. It was **further resolved** to approve the payment of the annual licence to NBC for Madeley pool at a cost of £193+VAT
- e. The delegated action taken by the Clerk to get urgent action on dying trees in Heath Wood was noted.
- f. Budget 2020-21. The RFO requested that all suggestions needed to be sent to her prior to the next meeting so a draft budget for discussion could be put together. The precept was discussed and this will need to be considered whether or not to leave it as it is in light of the reserves carried forward. It was noted that the Section 136 funding was no longer available next year.
- g. To approve payments/orders/receipts and transfers-it was **resolved** to approve all payments.

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- h. Budget update and bank reconciliation statement was noted.

237.10/19 Planning Applications.

- a. 19/00036/NMA-Land off New Road, Madeley-application for a non r amendment of planning permission 19/00036/FUL relating to alterations i no 3939-004-PL110 Rev A-windows and velux omitted due to design dev
<http://publicaccess.newcastle-staffs.gov.uk/online-applications/PLAN/19/C>

The Council had no comments on the application.

- b. 19/00576/FUL-Red Barn, Station Road, Onneley-assisted living anne Plans)
<http://publicaccess.newcastle-staffs.gov.uk/online-applications/PLAN/19/C>

The Council maintained its objections as per original submit September.

- c. 19/00699/OUT-Rosedene, Moss Lane-Demolition of existing bu construction of 3 no. 3 bedroom bungalows.
<http://publicaccess.newcastle-staffs.gov.uk/online-applications/PLAN/19/C>

The Council objected as it did to the first application on the grounds that an over development of the area. The Council had concerns about the egress to the site off Moss Lane. The road is a bus route with delivery v struggling to pass parked cars. Car parking on Morningside is challeng Council anticipates issues with vehicles trying to access the properties fro

238.10/19 Town and Country Planning Update.

The report had been previously circulated.

239.10/19 CCTV.

The ownership of the land at Greyhound Corner had been established and it was noted that it belonged to SCC. The Clerk had started to complete the Planning application required by NBC for the metal pole to be installed. However it could not be submitted until 21 days had elapsed from notifying SCC of its intent to apply for the planning permission.

240.10/19 Madeley White Star

The Clerk had requested quotations from 4 legal firms including Staffordshire County Council for the revocation of the previous lease and compilation of the new one. Only 2 had submitted quotations. It was **resolved** to appoint Tinsdills to act on behalf of Madeley Parish Council.

- 241.10/19 Madeley Parish Council Web Site.**
Information had been previously circulated in the Clerks report. There were issues with the current web site in terms of upload capacity and ease of use. However, the major aspect that needed to be looked at was whether it complied with the web site accessibility regulation. The standard only applied to public body web sites. All Council members agreed to look at the web site prior to the next meeting so a decision could be taken. All Clerk
- 242.10/19 Memorial Bench in Madeley Heath**
The project could not proceed until land ownership had been established. Next agenda
- 243.10/19 Notice board on allotment site.**
This was deferred to the next meeting in order for the Clerk to make further enquiries. It was agreed that an oak notice board was not necessary, and an alternative material was acceptable. DB Next meeting. Clerk
- 244.10/19 Adoption of BT Box, Woore Road.**
The Council considered art and potential indoor garden use for the BT box. It was agreed to put it back on the agenda once the consultation period was over.
- 245.10/19 Co-option of Parish Councillor.**
The statutory process deadline of asking electors whether they wished to hold a local election was due to expire on 8th October.
If an election was not called, it was **resolved** to proceed to appoint the second placed candidate from the interviews held at the meeting of the Parish Council on 6th June 2019.
- 246.10/19 Birch Dale and Heath Row play areas.**
The Chairman had cut back some of the hedge adjacent to the Play area.
- 247.10/19 Provision of Services for young people.** DR AB
Cllr Ms D. Riley had a meeting planned with staff from The Madeley centre. Cllr Mrs. A. Bourne would also be present.
- 248.10/19 Remembrance Day Arrangements and future memorials.**
a. Wreath laying would take place on Monday 11th November. The service would take place on the playground at The Meadows School for safety reasons as last year. The other 2 schools had been invited. Rev Chantry bringing the orders of service. Clerk to supply memory stick with last post on it.
b. A future memorial could be funded from the precept using the General Power of Competence (GPC)
- (Cllr Mrs. A Bourne left the meeting at 20:55)
- 249.10/19 Christmas 2019**
Older person's party-Lights switch on 8th December at 3:30pm by the Mayor of Newcastle. Buffet and entertainment in The Madeley Centre afterwards.
Pantomime to be held on 15th December, Sleeping Beauty at 12:30 and 2:30pm at The Madeley Centre.
Volunteers and raffle prizes were needed for both events. AB,

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Cllrs Mrs. A. Bourne, J. Whitmore and Ms D. Riley to work with Community Support Worker to finalise details.

Clerk to seek quotations for a 28ft Christmas Tree in Greyhound Corner.

More lights were needed for the tree at Madeley Heath.

Matting at Greyhound Corner may be needed if very wet.

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(Cllr Mrs. J. Whitmore left the meeting at 21:00)

(Cllrs a. Davenport and D. Barnish left the meeting at 21:05)

250.10/19 HS2

No further update was available-progress anticipated in mid November.

251.10/19 Parish Appearances

- a. It was noted that although the Community Payback team did an excellent job around Madeley Pool it may be necessary to look at some further regular work from another contractor to remain on top of the work. It was noted that the Tidy Group appeared to be recruiting new volunteers.

252.10/19 Grit Bins.

The Parish Council noted the e-mail circulated by the Clerk from County Councillor Helen Fisher about the reduction in the filling of some grit bins through the winter period.

253.10/19 Councillors specific responsibilities.

- a. Madeley Pool-Clerk had approached the same contractor who managed the control of Canadian Geese for Madeley Parish Council to supply a quotation for the control of Himalyan Balsam. The information on cost and approach had been previously circulated. The work needed to be carried out in May/June 2020. It was **resolved** to appoint Aardwolf Pest Control to apply for the EA licence and carry out the work.
- b. Residents Association- dog show was held the previous weekend in torrential rain.
- c. A mini newsletter-draft to be shortly circulated.

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256.10/19 Clerks Report

This had been previously circulated.

- a. Councillors were asked to respond to the invitation to attend the Remembrance Day parade in Newcastle with the Mayor on 10th November.
- b. The Rural runabout had circulated contact and booking details-Clerk to send to everyone.

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257.10/19 Race, Equality and Crime and Disorder Statement.

The Council recognized that it had discussed matters of crime and disorder and that the proposed installation of CCTV would help address matters of crime and disorder in the village.

258.10/19 Councillors Planned absence

No absences were noted.

259.10/19 Date, place and time of next meeting.

Thursday 7th November 2019, commencing at 7:00pm at The Madeley Centre.

Approved Payments October 2019

BACS/CHQ	TO WHOM PAID	DETAILS	Total inc VAT
Bacs 103	Darby and Jones	Grant - older persons event PAID	500.00
Bacs 104	Mazars	Audit fee External PAID	360.00
Bacs 105	C Withington	Salary Oct and Expenses	282.73
Bacs 106	J Simpson	Salary Oct and Expenses	961.74
Bacs 107	HMRC	Tax and NI Oct	99.45
Bacs 108	Country Grounds	Grass cutting	560.40
Bacs 109	Newcastle Borough Council	Madeley Pool Licence	231.60
Bacs 110	Nigel Aldritt	Handyman	336.00
Bacs 111	Madeley Centre	Invoice for room hire 1st and 6th August	32.00
Bacs 113	Eurooffice	Ink CW	73.08
Bacs 114	Amy Taylor	Swing Security Oct	70.04
Bacs 115	Lisa Pickerill	Swing Security Oct	70.04
Bacs 116	JD Quick	Bus Cleaning Oct	175.00
		Monthly Total	4052.08

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