

High Legh Parish Council

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 1 APRIL 2019 AT HIGH LEGH VILLAGE HALL

Present: M Cooper (Chair for the meeting)
B Adams
G Coenen
T Harrison
Jenny Morton
Julie Morton
J Sykes
R Wright
Borough Cllr Hunter

In attendance: Lord Grey, Mrs D Walker (Clerk) and Nigel Hennerley and 1 parishioner.
Apologies: Cllrs Hind and Tuck

1. Minutes

RESOLVED – that the minutes of the meeting held on 4 March were accepted as a true record.

2. Declarations of Interest – Cllr Coenen for High Legh Community Association and HS2, Cllr Wright for the Village Hall Management and Cllr Harrison for HS2.

3. Business from parishioners – nothing to report

4. Planning Committee

The Report had been circulated and was discussed. New applications:

19/1208M Barn extension, Brookside Farm, Moss Lane. A parishioner expressed concern and was advised to send his comments to CE Planning.
19/1564M Side & rear alterations and extensions to existing farmhouse, Primrose Hill
19/1603M Proposed reconstruction/replacement of outbuilding as ancillary domestic building, Boundary Farm, Peacock Lane.

5. Traffic Sub-Committee

Cllr Sykes reported that a new VAS had been installed on the A50 near the entrance to The Belfry. With the help of Mr Cope and Mr Hughes some research had been carried out for a new portable SID to replace the old one. Cllr Sykes proposed that a SID is purchased, seconded by Cllr Wright and agreed. Cllr Sykes to check how much it would cost for data collection and it was decided that a decision will be made between Cllr Sykes and Cllr Coenen. Cllr Sykes was thanked for his work on this.

A50 Proposed Traffic Plan – A response had been received from CE Highways on the PC's amendments.

6. HS2

A meeting with local parish councils will be arranged to discuss traffic management concerns before the next meeting with HS2 people. Cllr Coenen will contact Northern Powerhouse Rail.

7. Neighbourhood Plan Nick Gerrard joined the meeting.

Cllr Adams reported on the Workshop held on 13 March facilitated by Peter Hamilton. Further funding is required to complete the Plan and Cllr Adams explained the various options. Cllr Coenen proposed that Cllr Adams applies for the additional grant Option 2, seconded by Cllr Wright and agreed. Cllr Coenen thanked the Working Group for the massive amount of work, seconded by Cllr Cooper.

8. Improvements, Amenities and Appearance Committee

Clerk was awaiting a response from Ansa re playground and footpath.
Cllr Julie Morton reported:

Copse on the Belfry field – someone has put a swing up. Clerk to inform Ansa.
Flooding of field near pumping station. Clerk to contact UU.
Cllrs Harrison and Sykes to fix the High Legh sign on the A50.

9. Elections on 2 May

Borough and Parish Council elections will take place on 2 May. Decision will be taken on 4 April about whether High Legh will have a Parish Council election.

10. Finance

Accounts for Payment

RESOLVED that the following be authorised for payment retrospectively:

Land Studio	£4500.00
D Walker (cabinet)	£282.00
ScottishPower	£30.43
ScottishPower	£67.03
Peter Hamilton	£650.00
TWM VAS sign	£3883.51
Campbells	£80.00

RESOLVED that the following be authorised for payment:

HLVH	£70.00
D Walker expenses	£56.83
CCA	£50.00

All agreed

11. Matters arising from the minutes and reports from councillors

- i) Village Maintenance – Clerk had reported damage to the grass area at the West Lane/Pheasant Walk junction to Balfour Beatty who had said they will repair it. A resident had complained that a street light on Candelan Way had been out for a long time despite being reported many times. Clerk had reported again.
- ii) Old School House – Cllr Sykes will action some work on the small gate. New guttering has been ordered.
- iii) School Governors Report – Year 6 and staff have been busy in the Nurture Area. The Brass Band were in the Cheshire finals and Mr Hulton had donation 2000 snowdrops which Y6 had planted. Reading is now a central thread running throughout the curriculum.
- iv) Community Association – Minutes had been circulated.
- v) Shale Gas – Mr Hennerley updated the PC on recent events. Nothing in CE yet.
- vi) Broadband – nothing to report.
- vii) Police –PCSO Emma Darroch had nothing to report.
- viii) A56 Action4Bus – Mr Hennerley said that he will circulate a slip asking for anyone interested to contact him for a survey.
- ix) Manchester Airport Meeting. Details had been circulated.

12. New Business

- i) Annual Parish Meeting – It was agreed to hold an Annual Parish Meeting at 7.30 pm on 13 May when the Chairman will present his report for the year and a statement of Accounts for the year ending 31 March 2019. This will be followed by a public forum which is an opportunity for parishioners to raise any matters of concern.
- ii) Operation London Bridge – This is a national plan for when the Queen passes away. Clerk to liaise with the Church.

Cllr Cooper gave a vote of thanks to Cllr Jenny Morton for her 45 years of service to the parish and presented her with a gift voucher. Cllr Cooper gave a vote of thanks to Borough Cllr Olivia Hunter for her 10 years of service to High Legh Ward.

13. Date of next meeting: Monday, 13 May at 7.30 p.m. Meeting closed at 10.15 p.m.