

Minutes of a Meeting of Codnor Parish Council
held at the Methodist Church, Mill Lane, Codnor at 7.00 pm
on Monday 9 December 2019

Present

Councillors F Carmichael, Mrs C Cox, C Emmas-Williams, M Howard, D Jowett (Chairman), Mrs A Moon, Mrs Pat Smith and Peter Smith.

Also Present

Mr A Sharpe (Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer) together with 3 members of the public.

146/19 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were accepted from Councillors D Harvey, C Neale, M Neale and G Whalley.

147/19 Declarations of Interest

None.

148/19 Dispensations

None.

149/19 Public Speaking

(a) Public Matters

Council agreed a response to a resident relating to Mill Lane car park hedge, weeds at the clock tower and sweeping of the public toilets. Clerk to write to resident.

(b) Police Matters

No report from the police to this meeting.

The Clerk reported further on the correspondence received from a resident relating to recent crime statistics and other police matters which was reported to the last meeting. This had been the subject of consultation with the SNT and the Clerk informed Council of the response received which would form the basis of the reply. Clerk to write to resident.

(c) County Councillors Report

No report – Councillor Ashton had sent his apologies for absence.

(d) Borough Councillors Report

Councillor C Emmas-Williams informed the Council of matters relating to the Parish.

RESOLVED that the reports and action be noted.

150/19 Minutes

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 4 November 2019 be approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

151/19 To determine if any items of business should be taken with the public excluded

RESOLVED that no items be taken with the press and public excluded.

152/19 Chairman's Announcements

The Chairman reported that the Remembrance Day Service had been a success.

153/19 Leaders Report

The Council Leader addressed the meeting on action to progress the 106 agreement for land between Waingroves and Codnor that would be discussed later in the meeting. He also reported that local Council Leaders had undertaken discussions with Blend to work to provide a service for young people after the loss of the popular youth bus service and the reduction in youth workers.

Finally the Leader mentioned that East Midlands Railway were consulting on the current service and proposals to discontinue direct services to London from Langley Mill and Alfreton and Council agreed to object. The exact wording of the objection to be agreed at the next meeting.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

154/19 Environmental Matters

The Council Leader reported that DALC had indicated that they would be hosting a session on climate change in the new-year. The Clerk had expressed an interest for four or five places.

155/19 Parish Council – Items for Decision/Action

(a) Carol Service

The Clerk reminded Members of the Carols Round the Tree event to be held on the Market Place at 7.30 pm on Tuesday 17 December 2019.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

(b) Bonfire and Fireworks to Music

Council considered the allocation of grants to the organisations that helped with the bonfire event. Council would also receive a report to the next meeting on the organisation of the 2020 event.

RESOLVED that the sum of £250 be allocated to the Beauchief Explorer Scouts and £200 to the 3rd Codnor Scouts.

(c) Transfer of public open space and play area

Council were informed of an approach by Peveril Homes for the Council to progress the 106 agreement for public open space land between Waingroves and Codnor in two phases including Codnor Parish Council taking over and opening a new play area on Brierly Road, Waingroves from 10 December 2019.

Peveril Holmes would pay the Parish Councils legal and other fees and also transfer a commuted sum (as now reported) for future maintenance.

RESOLVED that the Parish Council agree to the transfer subject to finalising the legal agreement, payment of the commuted sum and the Clerk and Chairman be authorised to sign the deed of transfer.

(d) Grant applications

RESOLVED that the consideration of grant applications be deferred to the February 2020 meeting.

(e) Asset Register

RESOLVED that the Asset Register as now amended be approved and signed by the Chairman and the Clerk be asked to seek a quote for the insurance for replacement value of the new play equipment.

156/19 Derbyshire Association of Local Councils

Circular 12 and 13/2019 - Noted.

Clerk to report to F and I Sub Committee on GDPR.

157/19 Finance

Council considered a schedule of payments and were updated on finances.

Council also received the minutes of the Financial and Investment Sub Committee meeting held on 14 November 2019 which contained recommendations relating to the precept and allotment leases.

The Clerk had also circulated a detailed report on the initial consideration of the budget and precept for 2020/21.

RESOLVED that the -

- (1) Schedule of payments detailed below be approved.

Cheque	Payee/Description	Nett	VAT	Gross
UT BACS	A Sharpe Salary and expenses	672.82	0.00	672.82

Yorks Bank Cheque 1969	Lite – Part payment Christmas Lights	5500.00	1100.00	6600.00
UT BACS	Pictorial Best Bonfire Banners	90.00	18.00	108.00
Yorks Bank Cheque 1970	HMRC	128.44	0.00	128.44
UT BACS	Parish Warden Salary	1001.67	0.00	1001.67
Yorks Bank Cheque 1971	DCC Pension	256.74	0.00	256.74
UT BACS	Tudor Landscapes - Sign	30.00	0.00	30.00

- (2) The recommendation relating to the offer of leases to the two allotment associations be approved – (Jessop Street 25 year lease at £50 per annum with no responsibility for the mature trees falling on the association and £100 for a 25 year lease to Nottingham Road Allotments).
- (3) That the budget and proposed precept to be raised as now presented be approved for consultation over the Christmas/new year period via the website with a view to a formal decision in January 2020 (and subject to consideration of the funding of Blend and other matters now raised).

158/19 Planning and Licensing

Council noted that since the last meeting no local decisions had been taken by the planning authority and that there was just one new application to which there were no objections (23 West Hill, Codnor – Small Porch).

159/19 Correspondence

Council noted correspondence from the Monitoring Officer asking that the register of member's interests be kept up to date and from a local business on car park usage.

160/19 Date and Time of Next Meeting

It was **NOTED** that the next meeting of the Parish Council would be held on 6 January 2020 at the Methodist Church, Mill Lane, Codnor at 7.00pm.