

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF MAPPERLEY  
PARISH COUNCIL  
held in the Church Hall on Monday 8 January 2018 at 7.15pm**

**Present:** Cllrs Janet Mallett, David Morgan, Alison Quinn (Chair), Andy Quinn and Mathew Slack

**In attendance:** Four members of the public  
Sue Dunkley (Clerk) Caron Flint (Footpaths Officer)

**Part 1 – Non confidential information**

**172-17 Apologies**

There were no apologies.

**173-17 Variation of business**

None to be carried out.

**174-17 Declarations of interest**

None to be made.

**175-17 Dispensations**

None required.

**176-17 Chairman's Report**

The Vice-Chairman reported on the sale of the Old Black Horse pub which has been confirmed but awaiting contract exchange. Both he and Councillor Quinn had met with the new owners and spoken at length on what they are hoping to achieve in Mapperley. The new owners are a family business based in Leicestershire with seven public houses to their name. They are keen to continue the pub as a community facility and the Parish Council hopes to have the opportunity to work with them and build on their success with their other premises for the benefit of the residents of the Village and also for visitors to the area.

**177-17 Clerk's report**

- a) The Clerk reiterated that the defibrillator training is to be held in the Church on Tuesday, 30 January 2018 commencing at 6.00pm. Notices have been placed in the noticeboards, on the website and in the parish magazine. It was hoped that residents would come along to be trained in the use of the equipment.
- b) Over the festive period someone had glued the lock on the noticeboard which has made it difficult to open. The Clerk has removed as much as she could.
- c) The Clerk asked whether the date of the Annual Parish and Annual General Meeting of the Parish Council in May could be changed as she will be on leave. It was RESOLVED to hold this meeting on Monday, 21<sup>st</sup> May commencing at 7.15pm.
- d) The work to the telephone kiosk has now been completed. The Clerk will advertise that this will now be used as a village library.

## 178-17 Public session

### 1) Members of the Public

- a) Residents have complained about the parking of vehicles by walkers/cyclists especially at the weekends which makes residents' parking very difficult. It was RESOLVED that the Clerk write to the County Council to ask for advice and information on what options would be available.
- b) The question of an additional dual litter bin for Park Hall Lane was raised as there is an issue with dog waste which, although is picked up, is left on the highways or in trees. It was RESOLVED that the Clerk write to the Borough Council to see if this would be possible.

### 2) Reports from the Police Liaison Officer, County Council and Borough Council

No reports had been received.

## 179-17 Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the ordinary meeting held on 4 December 2017 were proposed by Councillor Mallett, seconded by Councillor Slack, RESOLVED as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

## 180-17 Exempt items

In view of the confidential nature of item 9 on the agenda (budget for 2018-19 and Reserves Policy), it was RESOLVED to exclude the press and public from the meeting in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, S1.

## 181-17 Footpath Officer's report

An email had been received regarding the condition of footpath no. 14. It was RESOLVED that the Clerk contact the County Council to see what works could be undertaken to resolve the issue. She was also asked to order a supply of waymarkers.

## 182-17 Derbyshire Association of Local Councils

Circular numbers 1/2018 and 2/2018 had been distributed to all members and contents noted.

## 183-17 Matters for determination

Website - an email has been received from Park Hall Designs, the host of the Parish Council's website informing the Parish Council that he will be cutting back on the number of websites he maintains but that he is happy to continue with Mapperley's for a while longer. It was RESOLVED that the Clerk write to confirm that it would be appreciated if he would continue with his services for the time being.

## 184-17 Financial Matters

The following accounts were approved:

<u>Cheque No.</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Amount</u>
100738	Holy Trinity Church (Room Hire)	£ 75.00
100739	Royal British Legion (Lamp-post poppies)	£ 36.00
100740	A Quinn (reimbursement for Lights)	£ 200.00

100741	S Dunkley (salary and expenses for December)	£ 180.43
100742	HMRC (PAYE – December)	£ 27.40
100743	Mr S Oldknow, Little Eaton Smithy (Shelving in telephone kiosk)	£ 180.00
100744	S Dunkley (Ink Cartridge)	£ 26.00

#### Receipts

The following receipts were noted:

VAT reimbursement	£624.79
Bank Interest	£ 0.29

#### Budget for 2018/19

Further to the previous meeting, the Clerk distributed the proposed budget for 2018/19 and the bank reconciliation figures. The Clerk had obtained figures for a possible increase to its precept from the Borough Council for information. However, although the precept figure had remained the same for several years which has resulted in a drop of reserves, the Parish Council was reluctant to increase due to financial pressures, not only for the local authority but also on local residents. It was therefore RESOLVED to look at the expenditure in order to make savings rather than increase precept this year. Owing to the problems with the hanging baskets, it was agreed to look into providing a planter(s) in lieu of the baskets. It was also agreed that the cost of mowing at the Churchyard was excessive and alternative arrangements should be looked at. The Parish Council also RESOLVED to adopted the Reserves Policy which had been drafted by the Clerk.

#### **185-17 Planning**

None to report.

#### **186-17 Matters for information**

- a) Following a letter forwarded to the Police and Crime Commissioner regarding the anti-social behaviour which is taking place on the Shipley Park car park, Mr Dhinsda has offered to attend a future meeting. The Clerk will make the necessary arrangements.

#### **187-17 Future agenda items**

- a) Cleaning of plaques
- b) Community event
- c) Anti-social behaviour by drivers to the Shipley Park car park
- d) Attendance of Police and Crime Commissioner to a future meeting
- e) Parking within the Village
- f) Litter bin on Park Hall Lane

#### **188-17 Date of future meetings**

Future meeting dates are 5 February 2018; 5 March 2018; 9 April 2018 and the Annual Parish and Annual General Meeting of the Parish Council on the revised date of Monday, 21 May 2018.

The meeting closed at 8.45pm.