

**BUILDWAS PARISH COUNCIL
COUNCIL MEETING
On Monday 7th January 2019
At 7:30pm in Buildwas Village Hall**

Present: Cllr. J Grainger (Chairman), Cllr. J Heath, Cllr. S Heath, Cllr. V Morgan, Cllr. S Ratcliffe, Cllr. R Wilcox

In attendance: Mrs S Morris (Clerk), Cllr. C Wild (Shropshire Council)

- 1) **Public Session** There were no members of the public present.
- 2) **To receive apologies for absence** Cllr. L Pratt - illness
- 3) **To receive disclosures of disclosable pecuniary interests & dispensation requests**
None
- 4) **Confirmation and adoption of the minutes of the council meeting held on 5th November 2018**
It was **RESOLVED** to adopt the minutes as being a correct record and they were duly signed by the Chairman.
- 5) **Matters Arising from the minutes**
There were no matters arising from the minutes.
- 6) **Shropshire Council Report: Councillor C Wild to report.**

Councillor Wild reported that Harworth Group would run a further public consultation later in the year and prior to the planning application being made. Councillors asked whether a pre-application would be made and Councillor Wild stated that it would not, but rather the consultation meetings, which representatives of various Shropshire Council departments were present at, would cover the issues usually covered by a pre-application. Councillors queried whether it would be possible for Harworth to develop the greenfield sections of the plot first and leave the brownfield sections undeveloped. Councillor Wild advised that Shropshire Council would insist on a planning brief for the entire site.

Councillor Wild explained Shropshire Council's housing targets, and that the power station site fell within the category of windfall development. Councillor S Heath fed back from the 3rd January Local Plan consultation meeting during which he had raised the Parish Council's concern that planning permission had been granted over the agreed SAMDEV number. The Council officer present had advised that until the new policy came into effect, the current SAMDEV guidelines should be followed.

Councillor Wild suggested that the Parish Council meet with Mark Barrow and Adrian Cooper (Shropshire Council) to discuss the power station development and the Community Infrastructure Levy to support Councillors in understanding how this would affect the Parish.

7) Power Station site development

A site visit for Parish Councillors would take place on 18th February. There were no further issues to discuss at the present time.

Councillor Wild left the meeting.

8) Local Plan Preferred Sites Consultation

Councillors worked through the questionnaire accompanying the consultation documents and agreed the Parish Council response for the Clerk to submit.

9) Finance:**a) To approve Q3 bank reconciliation**

The bank reconciliation was approved and signed, the reconciled balance being £10,743.67 as of 19th December 2018.

b) To set the budget and precept requirement for 2019/20

The Clerk presented the draft budget for 2019/20. It was **RESOLVED** to set an expenditure budget of £6,400 with a further £600 being assigned to reserves. It was further **RESOLVED** to set the precept at £7,000.

c) To note payments made between meetings

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the following payments:-

Ref	Chq. No.	Payee	Item	Amount
P32-1819*	SO	S Morris	Clerk salary – November	£184.75
P33-1819	559	S L Bott	Maintenance Contract	£978.87
P34-1819	SO	S Morris	Clerk salary - December	£184.95
P35-1819	555	Watchoak Tree Surgery**	Yew tree cutting contribution	£250.00

*P32-1819 previously allocated to SALC: Councillor training. SALC had agreed to cancel the invoice as Councillor had been unable to attend.

**Payment had been approved on 5th September 2018 in place of cheque to PCC.

d) To approve payment of accounts

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the following payments:-

Ref	Payee	Item	Amount
P36-1819	S Morris	Clerk expenses	£34.40
P37-1819	HMRC	Q3 PAYE	£2.00

10) Planning matters**a) Notifications & updates on previously reported applications (information only)**

REF: 18/000186/OUT Land SW of Home Farm, Buildwas

Decision: Grant permission

b) Applications for comment None

11) Correspondence – for comment:

- a) SALC Bulletins – December 2018 and January 2019** Noted.
- b) Email from Inspector S. Ali** In response to the offer made by the local policing team, it was agreed that there was no requirement for regular attendance, but that the Parish Council would invite a representative to meetings as and when needed.
- c) Email from C Taylor re. Under the Wrekin magazine** The Chairman fed back from her discussions with various individuals in response to the email that had been received. No action was required by the Parish Council, as the problem related to an issue with banking arrangements.

12) Parish Matters

- a) Update on matters previously reported** None.
- b) To receive reports of new parish matters**
 - (i) Road repairs. Councillors highlighted that the potholes between Park View and Buildwas bridge, which had been marked but not yet repaired, were becoming worse and increasingly dangerous. The subsidence on the bypass had also resulted in a significant ramp on the road which was also now dangerous.
 - (ii) Overhanging branches. Councillors highlighted that the hedges overhanging on Ironbridge Road from Buildwas bridge to Marnwood Hall required cutting.
 - (iii) Speed sign. The sign had not yet been installed.

ACTION: Clerk to contact Shropshire Council to request action on items i-iii.

The meeting closed at 9:11pm.