

# *DUNSTON with COPPENHALL PARISH COUNCIL*

## **Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2019 at Hyde Lea & Coppenhall Village Hall.**

**Present; Parish Councillors; - Mrs G Diggett [chair] - Mr G Pliva-Mr J Bagnall-Mr J Richardson-Miss S Court-Miss C Holden [Deputy-chair].**

**District Councillor; Mr L Bates [ left after item 3].**

**Clerk to the council; Mr D Jones-**

**01; Chairman's welcomed those present and the meeting started at 19.30**

**02; Apologies had been received from County Councillor Mr M Sutton**

**03; Councillor Bates reported as follows;**

The Strategic Housing & Economic Land Availability [SHELAA]; this is ongoing and is designed to identify land for potential housing and commercial development on the South Staffs District Council area.

More detailed information is at [www.staffs.gov.uk/planning/shlap-5-year-supply](http://www.staffs.gov.uk/planning/shlap-5-year-supply)

Complaints have been received about noise and frequency of events concerning Motocross activities on land adjacent to Lower Drayton Farm. The matter is currently with Planning Enforcement to monitor and take action if required.

**04; Councillor Diggett declared an interest in Item 10-A.**

**05; Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 5th November 2018;**

Councillor Bagnall proposed, Councillor Richardson seconded, that the minutes, having been previously circulated, be approved and signed as a true record,

**06; Minutes of the Extraordinary meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> October 2018.**

Councillor Court proposed, Councillor Holden seconded, that the minutes, having been previously circulated, be approved and signed as a true record,

**07 Report on matters arising from the minutes not covered elsewhere on the agenda.**

Elections; clerk reminded councillors that the elections will be held on 2<sup>nd</sup> May; briefing sessions are being held in Codsall by South Staffs Elections team but he will advise of action required by prospective candidates as soon as the information is available.

West Midlands Interchange; the Planning Inspectorate are holding a preliminary meeting on 27<sup>th</sup> February at Molineux Stadium, starting at 10.00.

**08; Highways**

Councillor Richardson reported that the culvert on Whittemore Lane, that he has frequently complained about, has finally been repaired.

The question was raised about large stones on verges placed by householders that could present a potential hazard to road users. Highways to be contacted about the legal position.

On approach into Coppenhall it has been noted that the boundary wall facing the road bordering Bleak House is leaning and looks in danger of collapsing.

Dunston House, which borders the A449 in Dunston village, has a boundary wall that is in need of urgent repair and has collapsed in places.

**09; Finance-**

**A; Payment of the following invoices was agreed;**

D M Payroll Services	£ -30.00	cheque no-400037
G Diggett [Miscellaneous items]	£-34.00	Cheque No 400038
Clerks salary & expenses	£- 306.40	cheque no-400039
PAYE	£- 62.60	cheque no-400040
Dunston Village hall	£-50.00	Cheque No -400041

**10; Planning Issues; the following was discussed by the meeting;**

The appeal relating to the erection of a bungalow in Old Vicarage Lane was discussed. It was agreed that the comments that the clerk had prepared be submitted on behalf of the council. Councillor Diggett, having declared an interest, took no part in this discussion.

A quotation had been received for replacing some of the wooden signposts in the parish. The clerk had clarified the insurance position. It was proposed by Councillor Court, seconded by Councillor Bagnall that this quotation be accepted.

**11; To consider the revised meeting dates;**

The question of the frequency of parish council meetings had been discussed at the meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> November. It was agreed that from 2020 the council will hold 6 meetings per annum [January-March-May-July-September-November] and they will all be on a Monday evening. This will impact on running costs with an increase to the clerks working hours and additional hall rental.

**12; Correspondence; the following has been received via email since the last meeting;**

**Weekly-** SPCA bulletin  
South Staffs Council news roundup  
Planning applications  
Enforcement cases  
Updates from Streetscene

**Next meeting is on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019 at Dunston Village Hall.**

**Meeting Ended 21.35;**

**Derek Jones clerk to the council;**

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