



Minutes

Meeting of the Parish Council

Monday 9th October 2023 at 7 pm at Elford Village Hall

Present: Councillors Payne, Delderfield, Herrman, Oakley, Robertson and Turley.

In attendance: Mrs Fitzpatrick (Clerk), two members of the public.

Open Forum

Thanks from a member of the public to everyone who organised the Harvest Festival meal on Sunday 8th October.

A member of public requested an update on the Fisherwick Road closure - Closed until the 11th October. Classed as "emergency works".

Cricket Club – The Cricket Club advised that there is a meeting on Thursday with the Football Club to discuss the future plans and funding. They will jointly bring the three phase plan to the PC.

Request received to chase the application for S106 funding.

Action: Clerk

121/23 To receive Apologies for Absence

District Cllr Holland had apologised.

122/23 To receive Declarations of Interests.

No Declarations of Interests were made.

123/23 To approve the Minutes of the Meeting of 11th September 2023.

The draft Minutes were approved and signed.

124/23 To receive the Clerk's Report.

Bus stop – Lichfield City Coaches confirmed they will pick up 1. where the Social Club used be and 2. at the end of The Beck by the Burton Road.

Issues with public footpaths – issue reports raised with SCC Rights of Way Team.
Tame View Stile – contact contractor to make good. *Action: Clerk*
Grants – make applications to Uchfield Community Lottery and We Love Lichfield
Fund. *Action: Cllr Robertson/Clerk*
Tree work – BCC worked on the trees at The Avenue and The Shrubbery in
September.

125/23 To consider any Planning matters:
None.

126/23 To receive an update on the Shrubbery development.
No response has been received from LDC. Email LDC for update. *Action: Cllr Oakley*

127/23 To consider Playground Inspection Report.
The three main areas for repair are the sandpit, swings and climbing net:-
Sandpit needs remedial work. *Action: Cllr Payne/Cllr Oakley*
Obtain advice from LDC and information on contractors to repair the swings and
climbing net. *Action: Clerk*
Contact play equipment companies who have previously quoted. *Action: Cllr Payne*
Obtain alternative quotes from play equipment companies. *Action: Clerk*

128/23 To consider the new website.
Notes on the new website and photos to be sent to the website developer. *Action:*
Cllr Herrmann

129/23 To receive an update on Right of Way 8.
See letter received from Staffordshire County Council dated the 2nd October 2023.

130/23 To receive update on CIL funding.
Notification of remittance received for CIL monies in the sum of £2798.01.

SID's (Speed Indicator Devices) – Three quotes received and it was agreed to
purchase two SID's from Elen City up to a total cost of £5,000, allowing for some
flexibility if one (or potentially both) of the SID's needed to be battery-powered as
opposed to solar-powered, particularly if one was to be located on the Shrubbery
where minimal solar light gets through the tree canopy. Look at fixing onto existing
street furniture. Obtain information on poles and batteries for SID's.
Action: Clerk

Resolved: Approved

131/23 To receive Questions and Reports from Councillors.

Cllr Oakley - Having spoken to the Football Club, the outdoor gym equipment cannot be moved behind the goal. It was agreed to revisit this as part of the wider playground redevelopment.

Cllr Robertson – It has been brought to her attention that the roads in the village are very muddy. Contact LDC. **Action: Clerk**

Cllr Robertson – There is an Open Day at The Howard School on the 14th October.

Cllr Delderfield – Is there any action that can be taken with regards to the worsening traffic on the A513 with the closure of the Fisherwick Bridge and the traffic from Hilderley's? Cllr Payne advised he did not think there was due to the planning application approval already in place.

Cllr Turley – Proposed making good the fencing next to the playground at Church Gate Cottage, Church Road. Obtain quote from Alan Robey, **Action: Clerk**

Resolved: Approved

132/23 To receive Correspondence
SPCA bulletins

133/23 To receive a Financial Report:
See appendix 1.

Resolved: Approved

134/23 To consider authorising Schedule of Accounts for payment

Staff costs; salary, PAYE, £586.63;
A. Robey, handyman, safety check, £62.50;
Village Hall, Post Office room hire, £65.50;
R.W. Hercombe, grounds maintenance, £180;
Cllr Payne would authorise the payments.

Resolved: Approved

Date of Next Meeting: Next meeting 13th November 2023.

Meeting closed 9.10pm

Appendix 1

Financial Report October 2023

(a) Bank reconciliation -

	27/09/2023	Totals
BAL B/F	30,874.82	CURRENT 10,152.21 DEPOSIT(playground) 8,035.49 95 DAY NOTICE (CIL) 43,470.45
RECEIPTS	45434.74	re-marked for CIL 43,470.45 re-marked for playground 8,035.49
PAYMENTS	34651.41	
TOTAL	61,658.15	61,658.15

£5000 to be transferred from CIL account to current account in November (ref CIL grant to Football Club)

(b) Bank forms, change of signatories and administrator sent to Coop Bank.

(c) Payment received from VAT 126 claim submitted.