**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF HIMLEY PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE, SWINDON ON WEDNESDAY 19TH JUNE 2019 AT 7.00PM**

**PRESENT: - MRS Y NOCK (CHAIRMAN) PRESIDING**

**PRESENT COUNCILLORS: - MRS S OLIVER, MR M CRISP,**

**MRS M SINCLAIR, COUNTY CLLR V WILSON**

**NOT PRESENT :- MR R LEES, MR P HEMMINGS**

**APOLOGIES :- MRS S FROST, PCSO G MURPHY**

**OTHERS :- MRS S FARLEY CLERK, MR RICHARD PAINTER,**

**MRS GIOVANNA PADULANO**

**DECLARATION OF INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS –**

**Section 17 – reminds Parish Councils to review if any of the decisions made at the Parish Council meeting have implications in relation to crime, disorder, anti-social behavior or community safety in general.**

**-Cllr Lees: as a member of South Staffordshire District Council (SSDC), will reconsider any planning applications at District level taking into account all relevant evidence and representations at that tier and at District level will declare an interest arising from membership of this Parish Council when expressing a view on any relative matters.**

Police Report - Not received

MATTERS ARISING FROM LAST MEETING:–

* Himley village: A resident has thanked us for improving the parking situation on the bend in Himley village; however, the problem is on-going as a white Mercedes is regularly parked there but less often.
* Bench for Playing Field Cllr Nock ordered a 6 foot teak bench but had to pay a £100 deposit. A quote has been received from Fox Property Improvements who installed the Commemorative Bench for: - collection from supplier, digging out and constructing a concrete base, fixing the bench and removing rubbish.
* Himley Hall events: Following complaints about previous excessively noisy events, residents are being offered complimentary tickets to the Black Country Musicom Festival.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS :-

* 19/00346/ADV – Baggeridge Craft Village , Signage, val 21.05.19, consult to 12.06.19, deadline 16.07.19, C.O. Jacqueline Hannaford. Highways have no objection.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS AWAITING A DECISION:-

* 19/00212/REM – Land at Beggars Bush (in Wombourne), Seeking approval for the layout, scale, appearance and landscaping in accordance with condition 2 on the outline approval 18/00559/OUT. The outline planning application was not subject to a environment impact assessment. Val 19.03.19, consult to 19.04.19, deadline 18.06.19, C.O. Jennifer Mincher.
* 19/00226/ADV – Himley Hall, To display 3 non-illuminated free-standing signs (at entrance gates). Val 22.03.19, deadline 17.05.19, C.O. Lucy Duffy, no consultations requested.
* 19/00318/FUL Brick Kiln Way, 3 storey, 66 bed Care Home for older people with associated access, parking and landscaping. Val16.04.19, consult to 17.05.19, deadline 16.07.19, C.O. Lucy Duffy. HPC sent the following concerns; - That the space allocated for car parking will be insufficient. There are 29 car park spaces outlined for the 66 bedroom facility. The nursing home will have 66 residents plus 20 staff on shift. The number of staff will be considerably more when there is a shift crossover. We feel that 29 car park spaces is insufficient. That the sewage system could be overloaded as it discharges into a small diameter pipe in Fir Street. There have been problems in the past with sewage discharging into the road. We would also like the effect that the development will have on air quality to be considered. A similar residential home within the Parish has had an effect on the air quality in the past from extraction and cooking fumes from the premises. This development will be situated in a residential area so this matter could have severe consequences to residents air quality. The Chair of Himley PC visited the site on Tuesday14th May and there was a vehicle on Brick Kiln Way, right outside the site, that looked similar to a gully emptier with the extraction pipe down a manhole. Another Cllr regularly sees this vehicle working on manholes in the vicinity. Why would this be if there is no problem with the sewage system?

PLANNING DECISIONS :- None

DISCHARGE OF CONDITIONS:-

* 17/00956/COND: Red Lane builders yard alterations – Condition 3 Protected Species Report submitted for approval, val 29.05.19, deadline 24.08.19, C.O. Lucy Duffy

ANY OTHER BUSINESS INCLUDING RESIDENTS COMPLAINTS:-

* After Cllr Nock reported to County that a Speed indication Device had a dead battery, a reply was received stating that due to financial constraints and old equipment, their SID programme is becoming less and less reliable and they suggest that we provide our own.
* Cllr Sinclair has contacted Google to have the satnav directions to Tarmac in Fir Street corrected.
* A resident has asked if Himley PC is taking part in the S Staffs ‘Out and About’ scheme which provides activities and subsidises children at leisure centres and summer camps during the school holidays. Unfortunately not, the scheme is aimed at larger parishes which ask for higher precepts and therefore receive more funds from rates.
* Posters were distributed for display on the noticeboards.
* Cllrs were advised that the Playsafety inspection of the equipment on the playing field in School road will take place in August.
* Annual Audit Approval was granted by Cllrs following review and agreement of the accounts and the paperwork was signed by the Clerk and the Chairman.
* It was agreed to send the Auditor a £25 voucher as a gesture of thanks for his work undertaken with the annual return.
* County Cllr Wilson commented that there was no item on our HPC agendas for public participation; however, we are obliged to abide by the rules which state that: - “Meetings of the Parish Council are not public meetings but members of the public have a statutory right to attend meetings of the council as observers. They have no legal right to speak unless the Parish Council Chairman authorises them to do so and this session may be limited to a maximum time as set by Council.” Any concerns of residents, should be brought to the attention of a parish councillor at least three days before a council meeting.
* There has been continuing concern about no parking signage in Fir Street being erected in the wrong places. Cllr Nock to investigate.

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT –

* 100451 - £19.95 – Cllr Crisp – Bench stain
* 100452 - £350.10 – S Farley clerk wages
* 100453 - £87.40 - HMRC

DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING: -  **WEDNESDAY 17th July 2019 at 7pm**

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.20pm.