



# WROUGHTON PARISH COUNCIL

## PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the meeting held on 21 January 2019 at 7.30pm  
in The Ellendune Community Centre.

**Present**  
Cllr L Campisano  
Cllr C Clark  
Cllr S Harcourt  
Cllr J Hewer  
Cllr H Hodd  
Cllr G Jones  
Cllr C Kennedy  
Cllr T Kimberley-Fairbourn  
Cllr D Phillips  
Cllr D Wells  
Cllr A Woodhead

**Clerk** Jodie Smart

**FC/166** **Apologies**

Apologies were received from Cllr P Bhardwaj, Cllr H Dosanjh, Cllr A Richards and Cllr A Spry.

**FC/167** **Declarations of Interest & Applications for Dispensation**

All Members declared an interest in agenda item 9, Budget and Precept 2019/20. All Members hold a valid dispensation to vote on this matter.

Cllr T Kimberley-Fairbourn, Cllr S Harcourt and Cllr A Woodhead declared an interest as Trustees of Wroughton Community Asset Trust, in agenda item 9, the proposed budget included a grant for Wroughton Community Asset Trust. All hold valid dispensations to vote on this matter.

Cllr L Campisano, Cllr J Hewer and Cllr G Jones declared an interest as Trustees of The Ellendune Hall Trust, in agenda item 9, the proposed budget included a grant for The Ellendune Hall Trust. All hold valid dispensations to vote on this matter.

Cllr A Woodhead and Cllr D Wells declared an interest in agenda item 9 as they are affiliated with the Wroughton Youth Football Club.

**FC/168** **Public Questions**

There were no members of the public present.

**FC/169** **Minutes of Previous Meeting**

Members **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 17 December 2018.

**Information from Borough Councillors**

Cllr Ford informed members that the Swindon Borough Council budget for next year will be £140m. The Adult Health budget is set at £82m. Cllr Ford added that he was asked to save £7.8m (9% of budget) and believes that it can be done. The Adult Health department are consulting on shifting day care and extra care around slightly. Cllr Ford commented that there was nothing hugely controversial in the budget. Precept of Adult Health had been set at 6% a few years ago which was broken down over three years. Taken as 3%, 2% and this year 1%. The Adult Health department was awarded an extra £600k in the budget, however it is worth noting that this is a one off payment.

Cllr Ford informed members that there is a Swindon Borough Council Meeting this Thursday, and that he would be supporting the climate motion. Councillor Ford also reminded members about the public meeting tomorrow night re. SHELAA (Strategic Housing Economic Land Availability Assessment).

Cllr C Clark asked if comments at the meeting should be written down or just verbalised. Cllr Ford responded that there would be time for questions and comments at the end of presentation. Members of the public could submit their comments or questions using any methods they wish.

Cllr T Kimberley-Fairbourn thanked Cllr Ford for taking the climate motion forward. However, the original letter is somewhat stronger than that going to council. Cllr Kimberley-Fairbourn asked Cllr Ford to please consider amendments and working cross party. Cllr Kimberley-Fairbourn stated that a 2% limit is known to be catastrophic. Cllr Kimberley-Fairbourn asked for concrete actions for Swindon to be carbon neutral by 2030 and expressed some disappointment that the motion has been watered down.

Cllr Ford responded that there were some difficulties in asking Swindon Borough Council to commit to certain acts which was impossible with the long time periods.

Cllr C Martyn added that they had tried to get cross party agreement but that it was not going to happen.

Cllr Martyn stated that the government had published a domestic abuse bill to put additional measures and powers in place. Cllr Martyn added that there was also a domestic abuse motion at the Swindon Borough Council meeting on Thursday.

Cllr S Harcourt commented that residents should be encouraged to put any comments also in writing to the Borough as this will be included within the evidence pack.

Cllr Ford stated that he would ask people at the beginning of the meeting.

Cllr A Woodhead asked if it was worth recording on iPad. Cllr Martyn responded that she would query that, but was dubious about recordings putting people off speaking and how the data could be protected.

Cllr C Kennedy asked who is chairing the meeting. Cllr Ford responded that it would be himself and Cllr Martyn.

Cllr T Kimberley-Fairbourn commented that when recording for the Parish Council was looked into it was found that any recordings cannot be edited or annotated.

Cllr J Hewer asked if the Borough Councillors were aware that someone took a council to court regarding pot holes and won the case, potholes identified by the council and painted around should be filled in within 24 hours and fully repaired within 28 days. Cllr Ford responded that Swindon is one of the better councils for dealing with pothole complaints.

*Cllr B Ford and Cllr C Martyn left the meeting at 7.46pm.*

**FC/171**

**Youth Advisors**

Members **NOTED** the verbal report of the Clerk regarding the re-opening of the Youth Club.

The Clerk informed members that, following an incident of anti-social behaviour from a group of young people, two of the Youth Workers had resigned.

After lengthy discussion, members **RESOLVED:**

- a) to ask the Clerk to perform formal exit interview with the two staff members and organise appreciation gifts.
- b) to set up a Youth Club Working Party which the Youth Team Leader should be a part of.
- c) to invite a PCSO to join the Youth Club Working Party, if they refuse, to approach Angus McPherson (Police and Crime Commissioner).
- d) that the Youth Club Working Party put together a report and that the Youth Club should not reopen until Council had seen the report and acted on it.
- e) that the first task for the Youth Club Working Party is learning from recent experiences to determine what needs to be done to re-open the Youth Club.
- f) That the Clerk is to draw up terms of reference for approval at next Full Council meeting.

Members **RESOLVED** that the membership of the Youth Club Working Party will consist of:

Cllr H Hodd  
Cllr A Woodhead  
Cllr D Phillips  
Youth Team Leader  
PCSO

With Cllr C Clark in a scrutiny role.

**ACTION:** Clerk to write a letter to Angus Mcpherson regarding the recent incident.

**ACTION:** Parish office to issue a notice that the Youth Club is closed for the time being.

- FC/172**      **Parish Council Representatives' Report**  
Members **NOTED** the verbal report of Cllr S Harcourt regarding Wroughton Community Asset Trust (WCAT). Cllr Harcourt informed members that Swindon Borough Council has realised that they are supposed to charge VAT on fees which will have an impact on the grant application. Cllr Harcourt also advised that usage of the library continues to increase and that they had recently received 207 visitors in one day which is the highest figure since WCAT took it over. Cllr Harcourt added that users were giving positive feedback.
- FC/173**      **Chair's Report**  
A copy of the Chair's weekly precis reports appears as Appendix A in the Minute Book.  
  
Members **NOTED** the verbal report of the Chair. The Chair reminded members that elections are coming up in May and that nomination papers will be coming out shortly.
- FC/174**      **Budget and Precept 2019/20**  
Members **NOTED** the report of the Clerk regarding the budget for 2019/20 and the precept for 2019/20, a copy of which appears as Appendix B in the Minute Book.  
  
Members **RESOLVED** to approve the budget for 2019/20 as per Appendix B.  
  
Members **RESOLVED** that the precept for 2019/20 is set at £427,479.00 resulting in a £5.49 (3.97%) per annum increase per Band D household.  
  
ACTION: Clerk to move the Youth Club to projects section of the priorities list.
- FC/175**      **Sports and Youth Facilities Working Party**  
Members **NOTED** the update from the recent Sports and Youth Facilities Working Party meeting, a copy of which appears as Appendix C in the Minute Book.
- FC/176**      **Boness Road Play Area**  
Members **NOTED** the recommendations from the Play Area Working Party, a copy of which appears as Appendix D in the Minute Book.  
  
Members **RESOLVED** to approve the recommendations within the report.
- FC/177**      **Youth Football Pitches**  
Members **NOTED** the verbal report of Cllr C Clark.  
  
Cllr Clark informed members that a planning application has been drafted to change the use of the Falkirk Road field into youth football pitches  
  
Members **RESOLVED** to take forward an application for planning permission for youth football pitch(s) for the land at Falkirk Road. Provided that Falkirk Road residents are informed of proposals and given two weeks to respond before the application is submitted.  
  
Members **RESOLVED** to approve a budget of up to £500 from reserves, for the cost of the application.

**FC/178**

**Local Plan Review**

Members **NOTED** the request from Swindon Borough Council, asking for assistance with a public open spaces and settlement boundary review, to contribute to the Local Plan Review, a copy of which appears as Appendix E in the Minute Book.

Members **RESOLVED** to approve the request and nominated Cllr C Kennedy to join the Clerk for a training session with Swindon Borough Council.

The meeting closed at 9.19pm.

Signed.....

Date.....

Chairman of the Council