

**Minutes of the Meeting of
Heywood Parish Council
at 7:00 pm, 12 February 2018
at Heywood and Hawkeridge Village Hall**

Members present: Cllr J Masson – Chairman
Cllr T Griffin
Cllr F Morland
Wiltshire Unitary Cllr J Wickham
Cllr K Youngs
Cllr E Lock
Cllr P Thompson

Public forum:

Mr Jim Marley from Hawkeridge Park addressed the meeting concerning local opposition to Planning Application 17/12342/OUT, Proposed Development of land on Storridge Road, Westbury:

- more than 100 written representations have been sent to Wiltshire Council;
- there were more than 70 people present at the public meeting on 19 January;
- concerns were raised about highways safety and breaches of Wiltshire Core Strategy;
- the s52 agreement regarding use of the land is still enforceable;
- Club Ice/Players on West Wilts Trading Estate has raised concerns about their outdoor events being affected by proximity to the proposed new housing as it would not be possible to sound-proof such events.

Mr Marley requested support from Heywood Parish Council to object to the Planning Application.

132. Apologies for absence: Wiltshire Unitary Cllr D Jenkins. Cllr Thompson arrived late at the meeting having attended the meeting at Hills Waste regarding the construction of the gasification plant.

133. Declarations of interest: none.

134. Minutes of Parish Council meeting held on 8 January 2018: these were agreed and duly signed by the Chairman.

135. Update on items outstanding from last meeting:

135.1 Glebe Land: no information available.

135.2 Renovation/replacement of Parish noticeboards: it was resolved to replace only the noticeboard in Heywood village at this time, with one made from aluminium; the Clerk will obtain prices and complete the application for a grant from Westbury Area Board.

135.3 Wiltshire Caravans parking issue: this is being dealt with by the Highways department at Wiltshire Council.

136. Co-option of Councillor: there were no applicants for consideration.

137. Planning Applications:

137.1 17/12342/OUT Development on land at Storridge Road, Westbury:

The application has been called in by Unitary Cllr D Jenkins, although as a resident of Storridge Road he will not be able to sit on the Strategic Planning Committee; however, Cllr Wickham will be the local representative.

The Parish Council resolved unanimously to object to this Planning Application, for the following reasons:

- i. The agreement between West Wiltshire District Council and the landowners under Town & Country Planning Act 1971, s 52, is still enforceable.
- ii. The development would be contrary to Wiltshire Core Strategy CP1, as it is outside the Westbury Settlement Boundary, CP2, as development outside settlement limits is prohibited and

CP32, which defines how settlement strategy and non-strategic development in the Westbury Community Area will be brought forward.

iii. The land supply for the next 5 years has already been achieved (see APP/Y3940/W/16/3164255).

iv. Re Core Strategy Policy 55: it is likely that the air quality in the area will be badly affected by the emissions of vehicles from the development; changes in air quality may well also affect the habitats for wildlife on the site.

v. The proposed access at 13/14 Storridge Road is neither safe nor suitable for pedestrians, cyclists, cars or goods vehicles.

vi. The proposed changes to the junction of Brook Lane, Storridge Road, The Ham and Station Road would create a pedestrian hazard due to the reduction or removal of pavements, and to having to cross 3 lanes of traffic; also creating blind spots for traffic.

vii. The proposed emergency vehicle access is adjacent to a child play buffer zone which is a serious Health & Safety issue.

viii. Gladman's Planning Statement Dec 17 para 6.1.6 states that the site "...is not of high environmental value"; however, it is felt that S106 terms would not compensate for the habitat lost to existing wildlife.

ix. Local residents on The Ham are served by septic tanks and building regulations prohibit any building or structure within 15 metres of the overflow. In addition, the site has been contaminated by foul water soakaway over the last century.

137.2 New applications received to be deferred to the next meeting.

137.3 The Clerk was asked to check on the current situation regarding enforcement order 17/00655/ENF re 19 Hawkeridge.

138. Major Road Network: Government Consultation

Portions of the A350 are already included in the MRN, plus A361, A362 and A363. The Council resolved to support these as they are local routes and local issues have hitherto largely been overlooked. The Clerk will complete the comments form accordingly.

139. Clerk and RFO's report:

139.1 The current year's financial statement to date was noted; the excess of income over expenditure to date is £205.

139.2 The following payments were approved and signed:

139.2.1	Chq no 819	Administration to the Parish Council	£ 265.36
139.2.2	Chq no 820	Stuart Todd Associates (N'hood Plan)	£ 675.60

139.3 The Council noted that the internal audit of accounts by Gooding Accounts Ltd will take place before the end of the financial year.

139.4 The Clerk will scan the slides from the NALC briefing on GDPR and email to all Councillors.

139.5 There have been 165 visitors to the HPC website in February to date, and 520 in January.

140. Revision and amendment of Heywood Parish Council documentation and policies:

deferred to the next meeting.

141. Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group (NPSG):

141.1 The notes of the first meeting of NPSG were reviewed.

141.2 The next meeting of NPSG will take place at 2:00 pm, Friday 16 February. The purpose of the meeting will be to decide on the format of the initial public consultation, the budget for the Plan and application for a grant.

141.3 Mr Jim Marley is to become a member of the NPSG.

141.4 The Clerk will ensure that the revised NP timetable provided by Stuart Todd Associates Ltd is sent to all Councillors.

142. Correspondence and publications:

142.1 Warm House Discount Scheme: to be posted on the Parish Council website.

142.2 Councillors noted the new format for the Annual Governance & Accountability Return 2017/18.

142.3 It was noted that Cllr Youngs will attend the next meeting of CATG on 23 March, when the letter sent by the Council regarding bus stops and routes in the Parish will be discussed.

143. Date of next meeting: it was confirmed that the next meeting of the Parish Council will be held at Heywood & Hawkeridge Village Hall at 7:00 pm on Monday 12 February 2018.

144. Matters for future consideration: none.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 9:15 pm.