

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF OAKAMoor PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 6TH. JULY 2015**

- Present:** Cllr. Charles (Chairman).  
Cllrs. Beard, Edwards, Fallows, Loynes Mabey and Meadows. SMDC Ward  
Cllrs. Fallows and Lucas.
- Apologies:** None.
- Attending:** Two members of the public including Mr. Redfern, Lengthsman, Mr. J. Wood  
(Clerk).
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Prior to the opening of business, Councillors had made their annual tour of the village.

**15.65 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

No members of the public present wished to participate.

**15.66 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

SMDC Ward Cllr. Fallows declared a non-pecuniary interest in any discussions concerning Moneystone Quarry. SMKDC Ward Cllr. Lucas declared a non-pecuniary interest in all planning matters as a member of SMDC Planning Committee

**15.67 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING (Resolved)**

**Resolved** that the minutes of the meeting held on Monday, 1<sup>st</sup>. June 2015 be signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record.

**15.68 MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

A. Minute 15.57.A – **Bus times** and timetables – Chairman had liaised with parishioner Mr. Higgins. Understood that some difficulty had arisen in seeking funding for Ashbourne Community Transport. Reported that Karen Bradley MP had met with Firstbus. (Mr. Kerrigan also investigating). Take up with parishioners is minimal. Mr. Higgins continues to work hard to maintain a service, for which he was thanked by Chairman.

C. Dog Fouling (Min. 15.57.C). Not known whether SMDC Dog Warden had visited as agreed.

D. Removal of post-box (Min. ref. 15.57.D). No response received from manager at Cheadle Sorting Office regarding relocation. Cllr. Meadows reported agreement by Village Hall committee regarding relocation of post-box to a convenient place on Village Hall car park. Resolved that Council wait a further fourteen days for a response from Post Office Limited before referring matter to Karen Bradley, MP. Action: Clerk

**15.69 PLANNING MATTERS****A. Applications**

- A. SMD/2015/0220 – Re-submission of application SMD/2014/0432 for construction and operation of a solar photovoltaic farm, including provision of internal service roads, fencing, CCTV, below ground cabling and electrical ancillary equipment – Moneystone Quarry, Cheadle Road, Oakamoor. (See Min. 15.47.D). Written response prepared & submitted. Clerk to speak in opposition to application at SMDC Planning Committee meeting 09.07.2015.

**B. Decisions**

- A. SMD/2015/0325 – Two storey rear extension – Greendale Cottages, 3 Greendale, Oakamoor (Min. ref. 15.58.A). Granted.

**C. Other Planning Matters**

- A. Weekly lists – as circulated to Cllrs.

B. Site Options and Development Boundaries – Consultation document to be received. Roadshows to be held locally. Closing date for responses 14.09.2015. To be placed on July agenda.

#### 15.70 ON GOING PARISH AFFAIRS

##### A HIGHWAYS ISSUES: (Ref: 15.59.A)

Issues reported to SCC via Cllr. Worthington, Cllr. Deaville, Mr. Steele and others.

##### I. Speeding.

Clerk had received letter from Stoke-on-Trent City Council as Taxi Licensing Authority abrogating responsibility for speeding traffic as times and vehicle registration numbers were not given. Chair proposed notice should be placed in village requesting parishioners observing speeding taxis, private hire and other vehicles to furnish Council with details.

II. **Water issue in Farley Road** – Action by developer awaited.

III. **Cats' eyes missing on Star Bank.** Road designated for re surfacing in near future

IV. Hedge cutting contractors have **damaged two road signs on Star Bank.** Reported to Mr. Steele

V. **Pavement (kerb) adjacent to westbound bus shelter** – Job number issued

VI. **B5417 Crossing Point designation** – suitable signs to be erected

VII. **Stoneydale** – Potholes reported

VIII. **Blocked drains on Church Bank** – Now cleared by Lengthsman.

##### B Duties of Lengthsman & Litter Picker (Ref: 15.59.B)

Worksheets and invoices submitted by Mr. Price, Mr. Redfearn. Further work designated. Overhanging vegetation at Riverside to be cleared.

##### C. Village Plan (15.59.C).

On-going review of requirements

D. **Posts on War memorial** (ref: 15.59.D). Grant of £387.00 to be awarded. Thanks to Cllr. Fallows. Work to commence. **Ongoing.**

Cllr. Meadows mentioned cleaning of War Memorial. Resolved that Cllr. Meadows should investigate matter and obtain quotations.

E. **Grit Bins** (Min. Ref: 15.59.E) Letter sent to Mr. Steele regarding Council's participation in "Ice-busters" initiative. **Ongoing.**

#### 15.71 CORRESPONDENCE

**Incoming:** SMDC – Various items of routine correspondence as emailed to Cllrs;

- *Weekly Planning Applications submitted, and decisions*
- *SCC – Minerals Local Plan for Staffordshire Consultation period ends 5.00 p.m. 31.07.2015.*
- *Clerks & Councils Direct – Issue 100, July 2015.*
- *Police & Crime Commissioner – Re introduction of "SPACE" initiative. Posters for display.*
- *SCC – Highway Winter Maintenance Review, questionnaire.*
- *Code of Conduct Training – SMDC Cllr. Fallows stated no Oakamoor Cllrs. were present.*

**Outgoing:**

- *SMDC Planning – observations on SMD/2015/0220*
- *A.C. Loynes – ratified mins. of May meeting.*
- *R. Steele – Potholes*

#### 15.72 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT (RESOLVED)



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A. M.S. Price,	Litter Picking	£42.00	
	Expenses	£3.04	£45.04
B. J. Redfearn, Lengthsman			£197.00
C. HMRC – PAYE Clerk			£97.50
D. The Ford Partnership – Tax Compliance 2014-2015			£120.00

15.73 **REPORTS BACK**

No meetings of outside agencies had taken place since last meeting of Council.

15.74 **ITEMS OF AN URGENT NATURE**

Memorial Free Church – Clerk to write to SCC regarding signposting

Meeting rose at: 8.32 p.m.

Date, time and location of next meeting:

**Date: Monday, 3rd. August, 2015**

**Time: 7.00pm**

**Location: Oakamoor Village Hall**