



Outwoods Parish Council

Minutes of Outwoods Parish Council (OPC) meeting at de Ferrers Academy, Trent Campus, St. Mary's Drive, Burton On Trent.

Date: Monday 13th March 2017

Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014 has been adopted.

Press and members of the public were cordially invited.

Members present: Councillor John Anderson (Chairman), Councillors Rachel Anderson, Paul Barker, Terry Booth, Roy Hall and Bev Walker.

Also present: Cllr Simon Gaskin, Cllr Duncan Goodfellow, PCSO Leon Worden, Lewis Anderson and Dave Browning

Clerk: Verna Smith

Apologies for Absence: Cllr Jez Elks

Declarations of Interest: None

1/13/3/17 Introduction: The meeting was opened by Cllr Booth who welcomed the public members.

2/13/3/17 Matters arising from last meeting. The sign for Wilson Way has now been ordered and the cheque is ready to be signed and will be posted tomorrow. The invoice will then be sent to the Council to obtain the grant for half of the cost, which needs to be received by the 20th March.

3/13/3/17 Insurance claim for bench. The approval to order this has now been received and the motion was proposed, seconded and all were in favour to place the order after a picture of the one the insurers approved was shown to the Councillors.

4/13/3/17 Update to banking system. As there is no financial advisor at the bank who can advise on this, it was decided to postpone this.

5/13/3/17 Public Participation. PCSO Leon Worden advised of a spate of burglaries in the area and reiterated to take precautions to try and prevent this. An update will be put on the website. A neighbourhood watch system is hoping to be set up in the area. Any residents if they are interested can pass details to Leon.

6/13/3/17 Clerks report. A reply has been received from Planning enforcement who agreed to contact the developers at RHF phase 1 to provide a sign at the roundabout at Belvedere Road, to stop Contractors' vehicles using Lower Outwoods Road as an entrance to the site. They have not had a reply yet.

7/13/3/17 Erection of permanent Christmas tree on roundabout on A511 Tutbury Road. As there had been no reply to the email asking permission for this, clerk rang them and now has a fault report number-4074815.

8/13/3/17 Fly tipping in the parish. Clerk had sent a letter to ESBC about this problem, suggesting possible CCTV camera signs to be used. The reply came back saying permission from the landowner would be required, there was no breach of advertisement content and we would have to cover the finance and maintenance of the signs. It was decided that clerk will write to the Environment agency as they are currently investigating Corporate fly tipping and may offer some preventative ideas.

9/13/3/17 Beamhill Playground Inspection. This has been booked for April

10/13/3/17 Beamhill Road pavements. Residents had complained about the poor surface of footpaths and a letter was sent to Highways concerning this. A fault report number has been received-4074138.

11/13/3/17 Audit training. There is a free course on April 10th at 10.30 at Stafford and a free information pack will be sent out before the end of March.

12/13/3/17 Letter to Trent & Dove regarding the litter next to Beamhill playground. No reply has been received yet regarding this.

13/13/3/17 Harehedge Lane Traffic. Residents are complaining about the ongoing traffic problems as there are 3 schools all contributing to the problem. Cllr Anderson will contact Burton Mail to arrange a photo session.

14/13/3/17 Planning reports. Applications for a dwelling on Harehedge lane, a new reservoir next to the existing ones, a side and rear extension on Tutbury Road, the demolition of a conservatory and construction of a dwelling in Field Lane and the removal of 244m of hedgerow at Lount farm Lount Lane, which will have an environmental impact on the wildlife. Cllr Anderson will draft a letter to the Planning Department outlining our concerns. The application for Upper Outwoods farm for landscaping and access has now been approved.

15/13/3/17 County and Borough Councillor reports. The pull-ins on Field Lane and Longhedge Lane still have ongoing litter problems. Cllr Gaskin has also reported the litter problems at the garages adjacent to Beamhill playground but as yet has not a reply.

16/13/3/17 Items for discussion. Footpath/kerbstones on St Georges Road. This has got worse. Cllr Walker has taken photos and sent a complaint in and AMEY have been looking at the problem. It was proposed, seconded and all were in favour that the Burton Mail would be invited to write an article.

17/13/3/17 Footpath 10 issues. The condition of this path is really bad at present. Cllr Walker is in touch with Strata Homes who own the land as once permission is given a new gate will replace the stile and a hardcore path laid.

18/13/3/17 Mud on Forest Road. Cllr Anderson and Elks visited and found the road in a very muddy state and a road sweeper had just 'polished' the surface and not improved it.

19/13/3/17 Little Forest update. The opening of this was well attended, Cllr Anderson, Walker and clerk were there representing OPC. Fairtrade food was supplied by the Co op. The Chairman Lawrence Oates gave guided tours and talked about the plans for the forest which will be planted sympathetically and have a reading circle. The donation from Outwoods Parish Council was presented to the Head teacher of de Ferrers Academy who are leasing the Forest.

20/13/3/17 Beamhill Wetpour and basket swing. The Wetpour will be put on hold until after the risk assessment. The basket swing which disappeared has now returned, damaged. Cllr Anderson contacted the Insurers who as yet have not replied.

21/13/3/17 Youth Council Update Cllr Anderson has contacted Schools to get members for this, they suggested we have a meeting to attract people to join. This item is to be deferred until around the Summer holidays.

22/13/3/17 Annual meeting update. Speakers have been booked for the Annual meeting. Deb Bacon from the Cooperative Education Trust and Alison Dean a Staffordshire ambassador to talk about the STP-Sustainability and Transformation Plan for the NHS to be more efficient. Julie Hammond from Burton Hospital League of Friends and Nick Holmes the Head Teacher of de Ferrers Academy. Cllr Booth is to design advertising for the Annual meeting. The A boards and Burton Mail and noticeboards will also be used. The budget will be used for refreshments.

23/13/3/17 General meeting plans. This will be held with May's meeting on May 8th.

24/13/3/17 Newsletter. Cllr Barker will design this so that it can be delivered before the Annual meeting. Cllr Booth will write about the Wilson Way sign and Cllr Walker will add something about Lower Outwoods.

25/13/3/17 Expenditure for approval

Name	Reason	Amount	Cheque no.
Verna Smith	Salary & 'phone,flask	£377.33	100444
"	Mileage		
John Anderson	Mileage, shopping	£58.55	100448
Roy Hall	Refreshments	tba	
ACM	Xmas tree install	£66.74	100445
Little Forest	donation	£500	100446
Yester Home Ltd T/A Signcast	Wilson Way plaque	£570	100447
SPCA	NALC	£410	104450

27/13/3/17 Bank balance on 01/3/17 £14301.19

28/13/3/17 Items/comments for next meeting's agenda. Forest Road footpath and Youth Council.

29/13/3/17 Date of next meeting Monday 10th April 2017 at 6.30pm at de Ferrers Trent Campus.

Meeting closed at 9.00pm