**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF HIMLEY PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE, SWINDON ON WEDNESDAY 18th OCTOBER 2017 AT 7.00PM**

**PRESENT: - MRS Y NOCK**

**PRESENT COUNCILLORS: - MR R LEES, MR P HEMMINGS, MR M CRISP, MRS S OLIVER**

**MRS M SINCLAIR, PCSO G MURPHY, COUNTY CLLR V WILSON**

**APOLOGIES: - MRS S FROST**

**OTHERS: - MRS S FARLEY (CLERK),**

**NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

**DECLARATION OF INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS –** None

**-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 - Himley and Swindon

4 x Firearm – these are just notification of persons using firearms on private land.

8 x Transport related – the only one of note is Penn Road. Abandoned vehicle removed.

2 x RTC – (1)Baggeridge carpark. Vehicle drove off after bumping another car. (2)A449 at Himley – vehicle on side. All involved were ok.

7 x Violence against the person.- 6 x care home related, 1 x fight outside the Hinksford Arms

1 x Violence against the person with weapons.No threat to the public.

1 x Sexual offences – not rape. Reports of a male flashing in Himley Park. Male not located and no further reports received.

1 x ASB at Baggeridge Park. Group who were being rowdy and were slightly intoxicated.

2 x Suspicious - School Road. Reports of disturbance but none found. Himley Lane - suspicious vehicle seen hanging around. Male and female occupant.

MATTERS ARISING FROM LAST MEETING –

* SSDC is to be contacted regarding contractor’s liability with the playing field gate.
* Chain of Office, we have not yet been able to get a valuation.
* Work on a base for the Commemorative bench is due to take place in approximately two weeks, depending on weather conditions.
* C Cllr Wilson will try to get markings on the bend between Gospel End Road and Wodehouse Lane to help prevent accidents.
* Clerk to contact David Wilson Homes with a view to obtaining a notice board for Baggeridge Village after MP Gavin Williamson’s initial approach on HPC behalf.
* We were advised by C. Cllr Wilson that road markings on the bend in High Arcal Road will probably be renewed in the near future.
* Following a complaint about extremely loud outdoor music from Himley Cricket Club at their end of season activities, it was found that their license states: - “The playing of recorded music outdoors is restricted to a period of 7 days each August during the annual 20/20 tournament during play and/or to the end of the closing ceremony on the final day”.  Therefore, there was no breach of conditions of the license as the condition regarding a noise limiter on the amplifier system is confined to equipment WITHIN the premises. However, loud music which is often heard early mornings from outdoor Boot Camps does not comply with the license. Himley Cricket Club is to be reminded of this breach of conditions or they could lose their license.
* Clerk to contact County re dropped manhole on A449 at the junction with School Road and missing cover in School Road.
* Clerk to contact Dudley Arms to have hedges cut and Mr Foster to have epicormics growth removed from School Road lime trees
* Young trees self-seeded on the bridge in Dudley Road over the clay road have been cut back.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

* 17/00899/FUL - Beggars Bush Lodge, Stourbridge Road – Demolition of existing outbuildings and erection of new detached oak-framed garage and maintenance equipment/feed store, val 03.10.17, consult to 01.11.17, deadline 28.11.17, C.O. Salindra Kumar. Clerk to reply the there are no objections from HPC as long as the works are done in keeping with the conservation area.
* 17/00917/FUL - 28 Bridgnorth Road, Demolition of rear conservatory and erection of 2 storey rear extension, general internal and external alteration work, val 11.10.17, consult to 07.11.17, deadline 06.12.17, C.O. Matthew Hurley.
* 17/00918/FUL - 30 Bridgnorth Road, Demolition of rear extension and erection of 2 storey rear extension, general internal and external alteration work, val 11.10.17, consult to 07.11.17, deadline 06.12.17, C.O. Matthew Hurley.
* 17/00919/FUL -  32 Bridgnorth Road, Erection of 2 storey rear extension, general internal and external alteration work, val 11.10.17, consult to 07.11.17, deadline 06.12.17, C.O. Matthew Hurley

PLANNING APPLICATIONS AWAITING A DECISION:

* 17/00727/FUL – 85 School Road, extensions and alterations to existing dwelling – val 25.08.17, consult 19.09.17, deadline 20.10.17, C.O. Paul Thompson.
* 17/00807/OFFRES - Baggeridge House, Fir Street, Convert offices to 8 residential flats – val 01.09.17, consult 26.09.17, deadline 27.10.17, C.O. Gareth Dwight.
* 17/00808/OFFRES – Roadstone House, Fir Street, Convert offices to 10 residential flats – val 04.09.17, consult 26.09.17, deadline 30.10.17, C.O. Gareth Dwight.
* 17/00805/FUL – 75 school Road – Aluminium Orangery to rear elevation, revised drawing to supersede approved plans under 17/00194/FUL – val 19.09.17, consult to 10.10.17, deadline 14.11.17, C.O. Sue Frith
* 17/00786/FUL – Lucerne, Wodehouse Lane – 2nd storey side extension – val 20.09.17, consult to 11.10.17, deadline 15.11.17, C.O. Sue Frith

PLANNING DECISIONS: - None

SOUTH STAFFORDSHIRE COUNCIL: - None

ANY OTHER BUSINESS INCLUDING RESIDENTS COMPLAINTS:-

* SSDC have arranged a meeting in January for Parish clerks and Chairs to determine estimated costs for the 2019 Parish Elections. This is for 26/1/2018 – clerk advised she would be unable to attend due to work commitments.
* HSBC bank statement was presented for information purposes.
* A request was completed for an electronic copy of the electoral roll.
* Posters were distributed for display on the 2 notice boards.
* Details regarding the traffic restrictions to be put in place for 4/11 – Himley Bonfire had been received for information.
* Clerk advised that she had received correspondence from the Himley estate and the police to confirm that road blocks would be in place to stop traffic chaos through the village on 4/11 and the police had confirmed their attendance.
* SS lottery has gone live on 24/10 with the first draw taking place on 25/11.
* Cllrs were advised that a new Rights of Way website had gone live if any queries were raised in the future.
* Due to unavailability, Clerk is to investigate the room availability to change the December meeting to 6/12/17.

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT –

* 100418 - £240 Grant Thornton audit fee.

DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING: - **WEDNESDAY 15TH NOVEMBER 2017 at 7.00pm**

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.30pm.