**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF HIMLEY PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE, SWINDON ON WEDNESDAY 26TH APRIL 2017 AT 7.00PM**

**PRESENT :- MRS Y NOCK**

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

**APOLOGIES :- PCSO G MURPHY, 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.**

**ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PARISH**

Chairman’s address detailed achievements and a resume of actions for the past 12 months.

There were no members of the public in attendance.

The Annual meeting was closed and the April 2017 monthly meeting was opened.

POLICE REPORT

The crime report for Himley and Swindon to 26/4/17 for the last 30 days was received and showed the following :-Burglary business and community – 2, Drug offences -1, Less serious violent crime with injury -2, Other theft – 2, ASB rowdy and inconsiderate -3, Vehicle –ASB nuisance vehicle -1,

PCSO update: Regarding the on-going issues with the off road bikes on the railway walk. Police carried out several operations over the past few months with additional officers and we've had some good results although there's still a lot more work to do.

MATTERS ARISING FROM LAST MEETING –

* The potholes in Bridgnorth Road, reported 27.01.17, have not yet been repaired due to lack of funds.
* The telegraph pole in Gospel End Road which was leaning over the road causing lorries to smash their wing mirrors was re-located to the other side of the road on the grass verge on 4th April.
* Following the receipt from Highways on 14.03.17 of “Highways Works Completed - Fault Report 4072345”, re the directional sign on Wolverhampton Road, Himley which was damaged during storm Doris, Highways were contacted on 21.04.17 to report that only the posts had been installed, not the signage and asking for progress.
* The visit by The Good Life’s representative was postponed due to The Annual Meeting.

 PLANNING APPLICATIONS :

* 17/00271/TREE\_ – 1 Churns Hill Lane, Crown-lift Lime trees T38, T39, T40 to 6-7 metres. Val 20.03.17, deadline 15.05.17.
* 17/00270/FUL – 12A Himley Lane, Demolition of existing garages and construction of new garage, val 24.03.17, consult not available, deadline 19.05.17, C.O. Matthew Hurley.
* 17/00311/OFFRES – Roadstone House, Fir Street, change of use from offices to 10 flats, val 03.04.17, consult 28.04.17, deadline 29.05.17, C.O. Gareth Dwight.
* 17/00312/OFFRES – Baggeridge House, Fir Street, change of use from offices to 8 flats, val 03.04.17, consult 28.04.17, deadline 29.05.17, C.O. Gareth Dwight. HPC is to object to both of above: Dangerous exit from Fir Street to Gospel End Road and that premises are for business use only.
* 17/00260/FUL – Himley Field Cottage, erection of one dwelling and timber store (amendment to reduce dwelling size of application 14/00506/FUL approved 23.07.14), Val 11.04.17, consult 04.05.17, deadline 06.06.17, C.O. Gareth Dwight.
* 17/00296/FUL – The Old Barn (renamed from Greyhound Barn), Stourbridge Road, conservation area, 3.5m square oak gazebo, Val 12.04.17, consult 11.05.17. deadline 07.06.17, C.O. Paul Thompson. Cllrs requested that the following comments were made on this application - Himley Parish Council wishes to ask that as this development is in a conservation area, the planners ensure that any building conforms to the requirements set out for building in a conservation area and that any permitted development should be removed from the planning decision.
* 17/00335/FUL – 41 Fir Street, single story rear extension to dwelling house – Val 20.04.17, consult 11.05.17, deadline 15.06.17, C.O. Matthew Hurley

PLANNING APPLICATIONS PENDING A DECISION : –

* 16/00779/FUL – Construction of dormer bungalow at 12A Himley Lane, rear of 89 School Road, Val 15.11.16, consult 07.12.16, deadline 10.01.17, C.O. Jennifer Mincher.
* 17/00194/FUL – 75 School Road, side and rear extensions, val 06.03.17, consult 08.03.17, deadline 01.05.17, C.O. Lucy Duffy.

 PLANNING DECISIONS :- None

 SOUTH STAFFORDSHIRE COUNCIL:- None

 ANY OTHER BUSINESS INCLUDING RESIDENTS COMPLAINTS :-

* The HSBC statements for March and April were presented for information purposes.
* Posters were distributed for display on both notice boards.
* Kinver High School was contacted about abuse of the Bridgnorth Road bus shelter by two Wombourne pupils leaving the school bus. One boy now has to find alternative transport.
* A person in the process of buying a house in Baggeridge Village who wants an allotment contacted us after being told by the developer that the proposed allotments on the site will be transferred back to the Local Authority eventually, this is not true.
* There have been multiple accidents on the bend in High Arcal Road. Cllr Nock was contacted by the resident of a house on the bend who is concerned that there will be a death. There is no ‘bend warning’ sign southbound where the speed limit is 60mph and the resident has recorded 28 accidents since 2010, 3 this year. Cllr Nock has contacted Highways to inquire if anything can be done.
* Residents in Penn Road have complained about obstructive parking by visitors to Baggeridge Country Park. They will be advised to contact the police.
* A list of jobs has been compiled and sent off for the National Highways Team.
* Cllrs requested that the clerk contact The Good Life team to enquire if they could send some literature for discussion at a future Parish Council meeting rather than them attending a future meeting.

 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT –

* 100405 - £110 –Swindon Comm Centre room hire for year
* 100406 - £41.16 – SSDC grounds invoice, 4th quarter 11.12.16 to 31.03.17

DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING :-

**WEDNESDAY 17TH MAY 2017 at 7.00pm**

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.45pm.