**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF HIMLEY PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT SWINDON COMMUNITY CENTRE ON WEDNESDAY 19th JULY 2023 at 7.30PM**

**PRESENT: - MRS Y NOCK (CHAIRMAN) PRESIDING**

**PRESENT COUNCILLORS: MR M CRISP, MRS S OLIVER,**

**MRS M SINCLAIR, MRS S FROST, MR R LEES, MR D CLOSE**

**APOLOGIES:- CCLR V WILSON**

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

**MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC:- MR R PAINTER, MR M GRAINGER**

**DECLARATION OF INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS –**

**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**

CRIME FIGURES - Date range: 21/06/23 - 19/07/23 As received

Public bodies can only disclose information if they have the power to do so. Section 115 of the Crime and

Disorder Act provides a power to exchange information where disclosure is necessary to support the local

Crime Reduction Strategy and Partnership in achieving the aims of the Crime and Disorder Reduction

Strategy and objectives outlined within it.

The degree of disclosure that takes place must be proportionate and relevant to the level of social ill or

criminality it is intended to counter or prevent.

The information is only to be processed in relation to crime and disorder purposes. Information will be

handled in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998, the Human Rights Act 1998 and any other

relevant legislation governing disclosures and will ultimately be disposed of in a secure manner.

Burglary (residential): None reported

Burglary (business):

28/06 – Overnight between 21:00-06:00 entry was gained to a tractor shed, store

room and oil store room on Himley Park, nothing taken, no CCTV at the location.

Vehicle crime:

10/07, between 21:00-22:30 a securely parked motor home was taken from The

Himley Country Hotel car park. Enquiries with CCTV at the location.

Anti-social behaviour:

07/07 – a report of 4 vehicles racing around the car park doing handbrake turns,

Maggie Quinn has been asked to review the CCTV at the location for fines to be

issued to the drivers.

Policing operations of note:

A Public Space Protection Notice is in place at Baggeridge Village which prohibits vehicles parking up

when the craft village is closed. This has had some positive effect coupled with additional Police

patrols.

PCSO’s and Officers on the neighbourhood Policing Teams have been trained to use the speed gun in

conjunction with Community Speed Watch, we will be conducting speed checks around the location

and will add to the reports.

With thanks from your local officers,

PCSO Paula WILKES (06635) Email: paula.wilkes@staffordshire.police.uk

PCSO Alexandra RATHBONE (23938) Email: alexandra.rathbone@staffordshire.police.uk

PCSO Phillip MILLICHAP (28983) Email: phillip.millichap@staffordshire.police.uk

MATTERS ARISING FROM LAST MEETING :-

* Cllr Lees attended the Parish Summit 8th June and Locality meeting 13th July.
* The new Licensees at The Summer House have not yet been registered with the Ambulance Service’s The Circuit due to work commitments. Cllr Close has agreed to contact them after approximately two weeks and instruct them on looking after the defibrillator.
* A £25 voucher for Mr Walker’s roll as auditor for HPC’s yearly accounts has been purchased to thank him.
* The clerk has received forms for Cllr Close to complete to join The Parish Council

PLANNING APPLICATIONS :-

* 23/00582/FULHH   2 Baggeridge Close, Single-storey rear extension with internal remodelling. Val 01.07.23, Consult to 30.07.23, deadline 26.08.23, C.O. Laura Moon.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS AWAITING A DECISION :

* The previous application 22/01104/FUL from DMBC, (Val 05.12.22, Consult to 28.12.22, Deadline 30.01.23. C.O. Laura Moon) to create a play area at Himley Hall has now been withdrawn; a new application will be presented.
* 23/00124/FUL      Land Off School Road, Himley, Staffordshire, Erection of 11 affordable dwellings with associated work and access. Val 13.04.23, consult to 18.05.23., deadline 13.05.23. C.O. Jennifer Mincher.   HPC Objects
* 23/00398/FUL     1 Wood Farm Barns Gospel End Road, Retrospective application for lighting to existing manége area. Val 18.05.23., consult to 17.06.23., deadline 13.07.23., C.O. Emma Posillico.  Senior Ecologist states amongst other comments that:  Further assessment is required in relation to the potential impacts of the proposed lighting to adjacent habitats, specifically woodland at the southwest and northwest extents of the manége. Specifically: operational hours of the lighting and spread of lux levels from the lighting

PLANNING DECISIONS :-

* 23/00385/VAR    Sedgley Court, Brick Kiln Way. Amendment to Previous Application 21/00770/FUL. To increase Eaves height on 5 No dwellings while maintaining approved ridge heights.  Val 10.05.23, consult to 05.06.23, deadline 05.07.23. C.O. Laura Moon. Application approved with conditions 28.06.23.
* 23/00400/TTREE   The Limes Churns Hill Lane Himley. Works to a Tree(s) with a Tree Preservation Order TPO No. 84/1985: Tilia spp. (Lime). Dismantle and remove Val 04.05.23, consult to 30.05.23, deadline 29.06.23., C.O.   Gavin Pearce. Consent granted to remove 29.06.23.  subject conditions.
* 23/00406/FULHH     2 Bag Pool Way Gospel End.  Loft conversion to achieve an additional habitable room in loft space also to include a bathroom. Val 10.05.23, consult to 11.06.23, deadline 05.07.23, C.O. Natalie Ioannou.   Approved with conditions 03.07.23.

HIGHWAYS DATA:- None

ANY OTHER BUSINESS INCLUDING RESIDENTS COMPLAINTS :-

* The car park payment machine in Baggeridge Country Park was knocked off its plinth at 12.30 am on 6th July; no cash was taken.
* The Local Plan for South Staffs has been suspended.
* Large dogs, out of control, have again been seen on the Playing Field, Police have been asked to be on the lookout.
* An application has been received from Word of Mouth events for a license for drinks and recorded and live music and dancing both inside the marquee and outside next to the Great Pool with a DJ at Himley Hall on Saturday, 05.08.23 1pm to 10pm. Cllr Lees has arranged for an Environmental Health Officer from SSDC to meet with Dudley Officers, to discuss how the noise can be reduced, including putting in noise recording instruments for future events.
* Digbeth Dining will be holding an event on Himley Park on 23rd July, it is not anticipated that it will be a noisy event.
* Lloyds bank statement was presented for information.
* Playsafety have confirmed the play area inspection will be in August.
* The Clerk advised that the accounts had been acknowledged by Mazaars
* The Community Safety Forum is on Thursday 25th July – Cllr Lees will attend for HPC.
* Clerk confirmed that the HMRC VAT refund had been credited to the account.

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT: -

* Cheque 000007 S Farley – re M&S Voucher for auditor £25.
* Online payment SSDC playing field maintenance 4th quarter 2022/23 £24.98

DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING: -  **Wednesday 20th September 2023**

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.30pm