



**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ROMSLEY PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
MONDAY 12TH NOVEMBER 2018, 7.00PM**

PRESENT: Cllr. Arrowsmith, Cllr. Powell, Cllr. Mrs Bestwick,
Cllr. Bolar, Cllr. Shaw, Cllr. Miss Gray and Cllr. Tilt

ALSO PRESENT: Nigel Williamson, Cllr. Mrs May and Clerk

There were 11 members of public in attendance

1. APOLOGIES

1.1 None

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

2.1 Chairman asked all members present to declare any personal or prejudicial interest on any items on the Agenda.
Other Disclosable Interest – Cllr. Arrowsmith – St Kenelms Primary School PTA
Cllr. Bolar and Cllr. Shaw - member of the Severn Trent Residents Working Party.
Cllr. Mrs Bestwick – Son is member of Romsley Beavers, daughter a member of Romsley Brownies
Cllr. Tilt – Allotment Holder and member of Hunnington and Romsley Show Committee
Cllr. Arrowsmith/Cllr. Bolar – planning application 18/01306 – adjacent to the property

3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

3.1 It was unanimously **RESOLVED** that the minutes be signed as a correct record.

4. FINANCE

4.1 Quarterly Bank Reconciliation Statement approved by all Councillors.
4.2 To confirm receipt of £25,280.00 half yearly Precept from BDC.
4.3 To confirm receipt of £634.00 Lengthsman Grant from Worcestershire County Council.
4.4 Preliminary budget discussions took place. Full budget to be agreed at the January meeting.

4.5 Accounts for Payment

Cheques No.	Payee	Amount
300844	Gate Keeper	60.00
300845	AHS Limited – play bark	1636.80
300846	Worcestershire CC – Grant to School	500.00
300847	HMRC – payroll taxes	419.67
300848	Ruth Mullett – publications	50.00
300849	SLCC – Subscriptions	86.00
300850	G Force Fireworks – St Kenelms Day	250.00
300851	Playsafety Limited – RoSPA Report	126.00
300852	SLCC – Training	90.00
300353	SLCC – Training	103.99
300854	Candoo Web Design – website	25.00
300855	Viking Direct – stationery/ink	79.47
300856	Nigel Williamson – Maintenance	1977.57

Cllr's Miss Gray and Bolar signed the cheques.

5. PLANNING MATTERS

District Council Decisions

18/01153 – 66 Waverley Crescent, Romsley – new porch and bay with pitched roof above - **Granted**

Planning Applications for Parish Council Comments

18/01217 – 3 Dark Lane, Romsley – conversion of existing garage and flat into separate dwelling and garage extension to main house – Councilor's to visit the site and report any comments

18/01306 – 77 Dark Lane, Romsley – single storey rear extension 0

No objections

Appeals

Nothing to report

Extra Planning Recommendation

In response to St Kenelms Road development and concerns that the Highways Authority have not fulfilled the correct protocols to assess the development on St Kenelms Road and to deliver a safe and serviceable solution. It was **RESOLVED** to release funds to the budget of £5,000.00 to seek professional and formal advice to an appropriate technical standard.

6. PLAYING FIELDS/RECREATION AREA

6.1 It was agreed for Clerk to obtain grant from our electrician for installation of electrical feeder pillars in the playing fields.

7. ROADS/FOOTPATHS

7.1 Highways have had a go at replacing the broken bollard but parish council agreed it was not the best solution.

- 7.2 Clerk confirmed that the grant for the heritage sign had been received and she would go ahead and place the order.
- 7.3 Installation of new bollards on St Kenelms Road – this item was deferred.
- 7.4 Cllr. Mrs May confirmed she would follow-up the dangerous Ash trees on Little Dark Lane with County.
- 7.5 Nigel Williamson confirmed that bollards opposite the church were ready for installation.

8. **WINWOOD HEATH ALLOTMENTS**

- 8.1 Nothing to report.

9. **PARISH LENGTHSMAN/MAINTENANCE**

9.1 **Maintenance Report**

Maintenance attended and gave a verbal update.

10. **OUTSIDE MEETINGS**

- 10.1 Cllr. Arrowsmith meet with the Bromsgrove District Council Grass Cutting Team. It was agreed this would be a regular meeting, taking place three times a year.

11. **COMMUNICATION**

- 11.1 Cllr. Powell was thanked for the brilliant article submitted to the local paper on the Remembrance Sunday event.

12. **EVENTS PLANNING**

- 12.1 **Commemoration of the First World War and Beacon** – it was agreed by all this was a fantastic event. Clerk to send out thank you cards to everyone involved.
- 12.2 **Carol Service** – Peter Martin has kindly agreed to be Father Christmas, clerk to order new suit. Cllr. Mrs May also kindly agreed to donate a hamper as a raffle prize.

13. **TRAINING**

- 13.1 It was unanimously agreed for Clerk to attend SLCC Practitioners Conference.

14. **DISTRICT COUNCILLORS**

- 14.1 Nothing to report

15. **COUNTY COUNCILLOR**

- 15.1 Cllr. May confirmed County are in the process of setting the budget. She also confirmed that County will be placing a “no waiting” sign in the layby on Farley Lane to stop the overnight campers.

16. **TO RECEIVE CLERK’S PROGRESS REPORT**

- 16.1 **Smartwater** – the roll-out is continuing and now over two-third of the parish has been done. All the Smartwater signs have now gone up.
- 16.2 It was unanimously agreed to purchase Christmas gifts for the contractors/volunteers.
- 16.3 “Operation London Bridge” is something the parish council need to be aware of. Clerk to do a report and circulate for the next parish council meeting. This item will remain on our agenda.

17. TO RECEIVE REPORT OF PARISH COUNCILLORS AND ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

- 17.1 Cllr. Shaw is to arrange another visit to the Break Pressure Tank.
 - 17.2 The sign in the play area needs replacing as it is out of date now the public phone box has gone. Cllr. Arrowsmith to take a look.
- 18. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Monday 14th January 2019, at 7.00pm to be held at St Kenelms Primary School**