



Minutes

Meeting of the Parish Council

Monday 15th January 2024 at 7pm at Elford Village Hall

Present: Councillors Payne (Chairman), Herrmann, Oakley, Turley, Delderfield, Robertson.

In attendance: Mrs Fitzpatrick (Clerk), four members of the public.

Open Forum

Residents raised the following:-

- Work on Tame View site to be done before the date the developer is due to leave (23.02.24) such as resurfacing, landscaping etc. Cllr Oakley to chase.
Action: Cllr Oakley
- Two grit bins. Clerk advised by Highways to log via www.staffordshire.gov.uk/reportit
Action: Clerk
- A resident has noticed that people stood on the mounds of earth at Tame View are able to look directly into the resident's property. They would like an up-to-date landscape plan as the original one looked flat and landscaped.
Action: Cllr Oakley
- Brickhouse Lane – Residents to continue to report via www.staffordshire.gov.uk/reportit. The Parish Council will also continue to lobby and suggest a concrete solution.
Action: Clerk
The Chairman will thank a resident for their hard work filling in the potholes on Brickhouse Lane.
Action: Cllr Payne
- The representative of the Cricket Club provided four quotes for the work for the new toilets. A proposal for further funding, in addition to the S106 funding, is to be provided by the Cricket Club and discussed at the next Parish Council meeting.
In addition, there is an issue with the drains, which needs to be rectified before the new toilets are put in. 120 metres of clay pipework needs to be

replaced with plastic. Cllr Turley clarified that funding of £1k had been set aside for the drains.

Clerk to obtain definitive timeline on the S106 funding.

Action: Clerk

1/24 To receive Apologies for Absence.

None.

2/24 To receive Declarations of Interests.

No Declarations of Interests were made.

3/24 To approve the Minutes of the Meeting of 11th December 2023.

The draft Minutes were approved and signed.

4/24 To receive the Clerk's Report.

See activity tracker.

5/24 To consider any Planning matters.

None

6/24 To receive an update on the Cricket Club and Football Club proposal.

- Cricket Club - See Open Forum.
- Football Club – Thanks received from Elford Football Club, who have secured funding from the Football Foundation for floodlights and containers, to Elford Parish Council for their support.

7/24 To receive an update on the Shrubbery development.

See Open Forum.

8/24 To consider renewal of the Parish Council's insurance policy.

Pre-renewal questionnaire to be completed and forwarded to insurer. Discuss at next Parish Council meeting.

Action: Clerk

9/24 To consider the playground maintenance.

Cllr Payne did a walk round with the contractor doing the repairs on the playground and advised how pleased he is with the work done. It was suggested getting the maintenance contractor to jetwash the playground in the spring. Clerk to advise LDC that repairs have been done.

Action: Clerk

Cllr Roberston asked if the basketball hoop could be updated. Cllr Payne will email the playground contractor with regards to repairing it and Cllr Herrmann will obtain quotes for new equipment.

Action: Cllrs Payne/Herrmann

10/24 To consider the new website.



Cllr Herrmann is currently working through the new website with the website designer.

Action: Cllr Herrmann

11/24 To consider the Section 50 application.

Follow up meeting request with Staffordshire County Council Highways. **Action: Clerk**

12/24 To discuss the recent flooding event.

Cllr Oakley advised that the Flood Plan was followed during the recent flooding event and that the Environment Agency had also been in attendance. He is going to update the contact details in the Flood Plan.

Action: Cllr Oakley

Cllr Oakley had reported to the Clerk that the gullies at The Beck need clearing. The Clerk has been advised by Staffordshire County Council to report the issue via www.staffordshire.gov.uk/reportit.

Action: Clerk

St Peter's Church crypt was flooded. Cllr Oakley advised that the outlet was blocked. The Clerk contacted Birmingham City Council and a representative of the Property Management Team is due to inspect.

Action: Clerk

13/24 To receive Questions and Reports from Councillors.

Cllr Robertson advised that a resident fell due to a raised drain on the walkway from The Beck alongside the Social Club development to Croft Close. In order for it to be reported to the relevant authority, clarification is needed with regards to ownership.

Action: Clerk

Cllr Delderfield has spoken to the Village Hall about having Amazon lockers in the carpark. The Village Hall could see the potential but require more information. Put poll on Facebook to gauge interest.

Action: Clerk

Cllr Delderfield requested that the speed indicator device report be shared. Cllr Payne will action this via Facebook.

Action: Cllr Payne

Cllr Herrmann advised that the Electric Avenue was a success however, thinking ahead to 2024 they will need to reach out for more volunteers.

The Parish Council would like to acknowledge the Electric Avenue team for their successful event.

14/24 To receive Correspondence.

See Clerk's report.

15/24 To receive a Financial Report

See appendix 1.

Resolved: Approved

16/24 To consider authorising Schedule of Accounts for payment

Staff costs; salary, expenses £741.67;
A. Robey, handyman, £43.75;
Village Hall, Post Office room hire, £53.50;
ElanCity, supply of two speed indicator devices & batteries, £4954.78;
V. Greatrix, Playground repairs, £3146.10;
Cllr Payne would authorise the payments.

Resolved: Approved

Date of Next Meeting: Monday 12th February.

Meeting closed at 9.20pm

Appendix 1

Financial Report January 2024

(a) Bank reconciliation –

28/12/2023		Totals	
BAL B/F	30,874.82	CURRENT	13,809.17
		DEPOSIT(playground)	8,092.69
		95 DAY NOTICE (CIL)	38,947.88
RECEIPTS	48,909.78	earmarked for CIL	
		38,947.88	
		earmarked for playground	
		8,092.69	
PAYMENTS	18,934.86		
TOTAL	60,849.74		60,849.74

- (b) 27.11.23 95 day notice given for **£2156.77** to be transferred from CIL account to current a/c on the 31st March 2024 for payment of speed indicator devices.

ElanCity invoice	£4954.78
Less CIL money received in Oct23	£2798.01
Amount needed from CIL a/c	£2156.77

- (c) Transfer £3146.10 from Deposit a/c (earmarked for playground) to current a/c to cover invoice for playground repairs.