

Cheddleton Parish Council

**MINUTES OF THE PLANNING & AMENITIES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN
THE CRAFT CENTRE MEETING ROOM ON TUESDAY, 7th. JANUARY 2020.**

ATTENDANCE Chairman – Councillor H.R. Jennings
Vice-Chairman – Councillor H.J. Tunna.
Councillor - M. Ahmad, M.T. Bowen, Mrs. D.A. Hartley, Miss. O. Lucas,
G.W. Salt, Mrs. L.M. Salt, S. Scalise.

APOLOGIES Apologies for absence were received from: -
Councillor - Ms. C.Y. Ball,

2704 **MINUTES** The minutes of the meeting of the 3rd. December 2019, taken as read, were confirmed as a true and accurate record and signed by the Chairman.

2705 **MATTERS ARISING**
No matters were raised.

2706 **MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
Councillor Bowen declared that he is a member of Staffordshire Wildlife Trust. Both Councillor Bowen and Councillor Scalise declared an interest as District Councillors and involvement in the SMDC New Corporate Plan.

2707 **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**
There were two members of the public present with regards to planning applications 0764 & 0765.

2708 **CORRESPONDENCE**

- a. Staffordshire County Council consultation on proposed school admission arrangements relating to all community and voluntary controlled schools located in Staffordshire for the 2021-22 academic year. No changes proposed for those determined for 2020-21. Details were circulated to members.
- b. Sport England Newsletter. Awarded grants of £500,000 of National Lottery Funding to help more than 9,000 people get active. Registered as management of Cheddleton Playing Field on the Active Places Data Base.
- c. Vaughtons manufacturers of handmade products such as chains of office.
- d. Provision of Local Bus Services in Staffordshire Moorlands. SCC review of Bus Services working in partnership has no additional funding available. Councillor Bowen reported that Churnet Valley Railway are working in partnership with Aimee's buses who are interested in running a service to Leekbrook Train Station which would be an addition service.
- e. Commercial Waste Services – SMDC new timetable for collections from The Community Centre, Cheddleton Lawn Cemetery and St. Edwards Lawn Cemetery.
- f. Councillor Joe Porter and Climate Change Work will hopefully attend January's Council Meeting.

2708 CORRESPONDENCE Cont'd...

- g. Public Sector Deposit Fund Rates of Interest. November 2019 average increased to 0.7143%.
- h. Staffordshire Moorlands New Corporate Plan until 2023. Online feedback questionnaire which closes 13th. January 2020.
- i. Support Staffordshire Village Halls and Parish Councils relationships. Legal relationships with Management Committee or Charity run Village Halls. Information passed to Councillor Tuna for Wetley Rocks Village Hall Committee.
- j. Staffordshire Wildlife E-Newsletter.
- k. Amey Report 4181095 – Shaffalong/Hollow Lane, Cheddleton – Blocked Drains. Reported by The Clerk 13th. December and visited by an inspector 30th December with an order raised for the works required.
- l. Amey Report 4181099 – Cheadle Road, Wetley Rocks – Leaning Tree on the grass verge prior to the Powys Arms. Reported by The Clerk 13th December with no update as yet.
- m. CPRE – Update on coming events and projects.
- n. Red Lynch Playground Equipment suppliers. Keep details on file.
- o. Project Initiative - Free Fitness & Security Courses. For those aged 16-24 who aren't in education, employment or training. Various courses leading to qualifications being run in Cannock, Rugeley and Tamworth.
- p. Royal Mail Post Box – Southlowe Road, Werrington. The Clerk reported that the Post Box had been removed and after contacting Royal Mail and Staffordshire Police on 16th. December it was established that it had been temporarily removed whilst Eon do some required works and will be re-instated on completion of the works but as yet it had not been so she had contacted Royal Mail for an update.
- q. Support Staffordshire E-Bulletin. Next Village Hall Network Meeting 20th. January 2020. Plus, free training sessions being run should anyone be interested.
- r. SMDC Matters Issues and Questions Local Plan Examination. Anyone wishing to participate at the hearings on 4th. & 5th. February need to confirm by 10th. January 2020.

2709 UPDATE ON REFURBISHMENT OF POTTERY ROOM, CRAFT CENTRE

Councillor Scalise reported that he had building control waiting to visit to assess what is required and legislation but wanted to suggest a small sub-committee be formed to oversee works rather than have to discuss everything through full council. It was agreed to discuss at next meeting.

- 2710 UPDATE ON TELEPHONE BOOK EXCHANGE – MILL LANE, WETLEY ROCKS**
The Clerk reported that she had contacted the Leek Post and Les Jackson was doing a piece on the project so was meeting at the telephone book exchange on Wednesday 15th. January 2020 to photograph it. Some children from the school are coming along as they will be caretakers of it going forward but if any Councillors wanted to come along, they are more than welcome.
- 2711 UPDATE ON MEETING WITH JEFF SIM – STAFFORDSHIRE WILDLIFE TRUST**
The Clerk reported that it had been a good meeting with Jeff as he met us at the open space to have a look at the nature of the project of thinning the trees. Councillors' Harvey, Mr. & Mrs. Salt, Belson and Mr. Roger Hill had discussed the issues faced and he was very willing to help as they currently have a group of volunteers who he thought could help and would co-ordinate a few visits. This was very encouraging and The Clerk also reported that Councillor Harvey is looking to zone the whole area on a map to be able to give the Wildlife Working Party an area to work on which they could hopefully complete as they currently volunteer on a different day to our volunteers. The Clerk would update once definite dates have been decided.
- 2712 PLAYGROUND INSPECTION CHECKS**
The Clerk reported that The Handyman is now completing regular checks and has highlighted a couple of issues on Toll Bar Playing Field. A broken hand hold on the bottom of the rope on the first rope on the trim trail. Also, a swing seat has split. The Clerk will get a price for the rope hand hold and speak to Rob Beresford about the swing seat as he may have a spare one. At Cheddleton Playing Field there is a hole in the safety surface which will be repaired once the weather is better.
- 2713 COALPITFORD LANE POTHOLES**
Councillor Bowen reported that he had received an email from a resident who has made a claim for damage caused to his wheel by a huge pothole which he had earlier reported to SCC Highways back in December 2018. He had not been successful in his claim but The Clerk had forwarded details to Councillor Helen Fisher as the road is still in a very poor state and she had replied stating that as his claim is being handled by the claims team she could not investigate further. Councillor Bowen stated that this is just a cop out and isn't solving the issue of the poor state of the road. Councillor Miss. Lucas stated that she uses the road regularly and would be willing to take photographs to forward to SCC Highways. It was agreed that The Clerk contact Councillor Fisher again and find out who has dealt with the claim and copy in MP Karen Bradley. Also, to question why when The Clerk had also reported the state of the Road back in July 2018 nothing has been done and it continues to be in a very poor state.
- 2714 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**
- 0747 – 16, Sneyd Close, Cheddleton – Rear Garden Room.**
No Objection
- 0715 – Moorside High School, Cellarhead Road, Cellarhead – Erection of a modular building.**
OBJECT Not to the erection of a modular building but that there are other sites with hard standing already in situ rather than close to green space.
- 0755 – 9, Southlowe Road, Cellarhead, - Demolish existing garage and proposed two storey side extension.**
No Objection

2714 PLANNING APPLICATIONS Cont'd...

0764 – Darleyshire Farm, Leek Road, Wetley Rocks – Erection of Residential Annex.

Comment The proposal was no objection but the majority of the Council voted against this maybe if it was a farm workers dwelling. Therefore, SMDC to consider this at Planning Committee.

0765 – Darleyshire Farm, Leek Road, Wetley Rocks – Demolition of dutch barn building and erection of detached dormer bungalow.

Comment The proposal was no objection but the majority of the Council voted against as many previous applications have been made on this green belt land and feel that SMDC Planning Committee should decide if this is appropriate development.

2715 FORWARD AGENDA ITEMS

Parking on Southlowe Road around School opening and closing times.

Chairman.

4th. February 2020.