

HEAPEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Council Meeting held on 6 November 2018 at 7.30 pm in St Barnabas Church, Heapey.

Present Cllrs C Grunstein (Chairman), A Crompton, G France, M Osborne and J Ross-Mills.

Also present County Councillor K Snape.

18.86 Apologies for Absence

None received.

18.87 Declarations of Interests

None declared.

18.88 Minutes of the Meeting held on 4 September 2018

Resolved: the Minutes (as circulated) were approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

18.89 Public Participation

County Councillor Snape advised the Ironman Competition would not be held in Lancashire in 2019. It was reported the dumping of bags of household waste at the entrance to Heapey Chase had stopped. Bollards installed on Kenyon Lane by United Utilities have caused problems for residents.

18.90 Planning Matters

18/00948/CLPUD Application for planning permission to remove a section of boundary wall to create a new vehicular access from the highway, in-order to provide off-street parking associated with the dwelling house at White Coppice School House, Coppice Lane

Councillors had no objections to this application.

Councillors noted Chorley Council's intention to stop providing paper copies of validated planning applications from April 2019.

18.91 Financial Matters

- i) Resolved: the financial update was received and accepted and signed by the Chairman.
- ii) Councillors considered the amount of the donation to the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal.

Resolved: a donation of £100 was agreed.

- iii) Councillors considered requests for payment to the Council.

Resolved: the following payments were approved.

£ 15.00	Heapey Parish Church	Room hire
£ 500.00	Ryes Tenants Association	Grant
£ 60.00	Wheelton Parish Council	Contribution - PA system
£ 105.75	DWG (NW)	Strimming
£ 102.00	HM Revenue & Customs	PAYE
£ 531.02	Employee 1	Salary and reimbursements
£ 100.00	RBL Poppy Appeal	Donation

18.92 Internal Audit

- i) The annual review of the effectiveness of the internal audit was carried out.

Resolved: the current system of internal audit was found to be adequate.

- ii) Councillors discussed the appointment of an Internal Auditor in accordance with guidance provided within Governance and Accountability for Smaller Authorities in England 2018.

Resolved: Mrs A Partington was appointed.

- iii) The fee for the Internal Audit was considered.

Resolved: the fee was set at £60.00.

18.93 Precept

Items for inclusion in the precept for 2019-20 were discussed. Suggestions are to be sent to the Clerk.

18.94 Community Defibrillator

A defibrillator has been installed on the wall of the Village Hall as a Chorley Council Neighbourhood Project and Wheelton Parish Council had requested a contribution towards replacement batteries in the future. The replacement may be due within 5 years and the cost estimated at around £500.

Resolved: funds are to be earmarked within future precept budgets.

18.95 Joint Lancashire Minerals and Waste Local Plan Review consultation

A response to a consultation on the Review was considered. Councillors had no comments.

18.96 Flooding Issues

Works carried out on Higher House Lane seem to have been effective and surveys of Merlin Close and the Weir have not yet been carried out.

18.97 Reports from Outside Bodies

Meetings regarding the fires on the moors around Winter Hill had taken place. The landowner has been asked to provide a management plan. A further meeting is to be arranged between partner organisations.

18.98 Date of Next meeting

As the usual scheduled date for the January meeting falls on New Year's Day, the meeting is to be held on Tuesday 8 January 2019.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed.