

# POWICK PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2024

At 7.30pm at Powick Pavilion, Hospital Lane.

**PRESENT:** Cllr A. Lamb (Chairman), M. Huckfield (V/Chairman), R. Willetts, F. Williams, S. Underwood, S. Mealings, S. Williams, J. Foy, J. Stanton, County Cllr T Wells

**24.56 Apologies:** None

**24.57 Declarations of Interest and Applications for Councillor Dispensations:** None.

**DEMOCRATIC PUBLIC TIME:** 1 member of the public attended.

ITEM:	MINUTE RECORDED:	ACTION AGREED:
24.58	<b>Approval of the minutes and planning report of meetings held 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2024 –</b> Cllr S. Underwood proposed minutes, seconded Cllr S. Mealings. All agreed.	
24.59	<b>District &amp; County Councillor Reports:</b> Cllr T. Wells thanked Cllrs S. Underwood, S. Williams and F. Williams for their work helping to clear the section of unfinished footway on Upton Rd. It was requested that the ongoing maintenance be added to lengthsman task list. It was also requested that footway maintenance on Bastonford be added to the lengthsman task list. It is requested that the parish council send a letter to the tenant of the County Council smallholding (Maize Maze) to ask that the hedge along the newly maintained footway along Upton Rd be cut back, as this is the ideal time of year to do it. The new 'On Demand' Bus Service is currently running in Callow End and will be in Powick in the New Year. The service will run daily between 7am and 7pm. Cllr S. Underwood has requested that Cllr T. Wells provide an article for the next Parish Newsletter promoting the service. Jennet Tree Lane will be closed the second week of January for approximately 3 weeks for Severn Trent works bringing a new water main in.	Clerk to contact lengthsman          Cllr T. Wells to provide an article for the newsletter on the 'On Demand' bus service
24.60	<b>Highways Matters:</b> Lengthsman – Cllr M. Huckfield to send the clerk VAS schedule to ensure all areas are being included in the rotation. Beauchamp flood alleviation works have been carried out.	Cllr M. Huckfield to send VAS schedule to clerk

	<p><b>Parish Paths Warden</b> – Cllr S. Williams reported that footpath 698, the public right of way from Dark Lane, the revetment boards/ edgings pegs are rotten. Cllr S. Williams sent photo's to WCC, and they have visited and added to their list of projects.</p>	
24.61	<p><b>Financial &amp; Governance Matters:</b>  Payments and receipts schedule as circulated – proposed Cllr M. Huckfield, seconded Cllr S. Underwood. All agreed.  The clerk presented a report showing the actual spend against the budget to the end of the second quarter, for information only.</p>	Clerk to pay as agreed.
24.62	<p><b>Strategic Planning Matters:</b>  SWDPR - Cllr T. Wells confirmed the plan is currently at Regulation 19 stage, public consultation and could be adopted by later Summer 2025.</p> <p>Neighbourhood Development Planning – Cllr M. Huckfield reported that the Steering Group has reviewed the Design Code draft and the general feeling is that everyone is happy with the content and layout. The draft NDP has also been sent out to the Steering Group for review.  There will be a meeting with David Nicholson on 28<sup>th</sup> November to go through the plan and David is confident that a draft plan will be sent to MHDC by the end of January.</p>	
24.63	<p><b>Parish Matters:</b>  Newsletter – the next newsletter is due in January. The clerk is to begin collating articles.</p>	Clerk to arrange meeting
24.64	<p><b>PACE:</b>  The PACE meeting took place on 5th November.  Hedge Planting – the saplings have been delivered to Cllr F. Williams and planting will take place Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> November.  Cllr J. Stanton will attend the Colwall Eco Festival and report back ideas for running a similar event in Powick.  E-Bikes – the two bikes are both out on loan regularly.  Cllr S. Underwood will inquire with Ollie Parker about taking on the booking of the E-Bikes and storing.  Cllr S. Underwood and J. Stanton to review the Carbon Reduction Plan.</p>	<p>Cllr J. Stanton to attend event.</p> <p>Cllr S. Underwood to liaise with Ollie Parker.  Cllr S. Underwood and J. Stanton to review plan.</p>
24.65	<p><b>Playing Field Updates:</b>  Callow End – Oliver Parker, Chairman of the Callow End Playing Fields Association attended the meeting to update the Parish Council on the current state of the Pavilion at Callow End. The Pavilion requires a fair amount of repairs, updating and maintenance works and the CEPFA would like to ask Powick Parish Council for a contribution towards the costs.</p>	

	<p>Cllr A. Lamb confirmed that the Parish Council is willing to make a contribution but CEPFA will need to obtain 3 quotes for the list of works that are required.</p> <p>Oliver Parker also updated the Parish Council on a recent break-in at the playing fields where the line marking machine and bouncy castle were stolen. They have replaced the line marking machine but not the bouncy castle. The clerk to contact the Parish Council insurance company to find out if these items are covered under the Parish Council policy.</p> <p>Oliver Parker also wished to update on the following events:</p> <p>Christmas Tree Light switch on 1st December</p> <p>Burns Night at Stanbrook Hotel, Saturday 25 January.</p> <p>The current committee is stepping down in spring 2025 so are looking for new members.</p> <p>Hospital Lane – Cllr Lamb to chase C Bayliss for the completion certificate and to also check if there is a second Section 106 payment due.</p> <p>Cllr A. Lamb to arrange for the clerk to be added to the remote alarm access.</p>	<p>The clerk to contact insurance company</p>
24.66	<p><b>Councillor Reports &amp; Items for Future Agendas:</b></p> <p>Cllr J. Stanton – requested the clerk chase enforcement reference the email about Virginia House.</p> <p>Cllr S. Underwood has reported that a member of the public has raised a concern about the bollards on the Powick cycle footbridge, where they are situated is a hazard to cyclists. Cllr Underwood has contacted Highways about the issue and has asked the Parish Council to send a letter if he does not get a response</p>	<p>Clerk to chase.</p> <p>Cllr S, Underwood to advise clerk to send letter.</p>
	<p><b>There being no further business the meeting closed at 9:07pm</b></p> <p><b>Next Meeting 7:30pm Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December</b></p>	