

Draft Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held by Zoom Monday 14 September 2020

Present: Cllrs Robert Law, Tim Hancock, Teresa King, Will Pow, Brian Huggett, and Matt Hulm, District Cllrs McCabe and Kathryn Manchee the clerk. One parishioner in attendance.

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE None.

2 Declarations of Interest and Dispensations Cllr King in agenda item 5.3.

3 Parishioners Matters

Cllr Hancock to request free broadband connection to the Old School from Truespeed.

3.1 Consideration of Ways to Improve the Accessibility of the Post Box It was agreed to progress the installation of a pavement by the post-box to prevent parking.

4 Approval of the 27 July Meeting Minutes Unanimously approved. They will be signed by the chairman at a later date when physical meetings resume.

4.2 Matters Arising from the 27 July Meeting

Clerk to advise PCSO re location for operation of Community Speedwatch.

5 PLANNING

5.1 Results, Correspondence and Consideration

Planning Application REF 20/02006/FUL Haycombe Farm Barn Haycombe Farm Lane
Erection of outbuilding to the rear of recently converted studio building **WITHDRAWN**
Planning Application REF 20/01688/FUL Inglescombe Cottage Church Lane Englishcombe
Garage conversion for additional living accommodation as an annex to the existing house.
Now going before the planning committee. It was agreed that the chairman would speak at the planning committee.

Clerk provided an update on the local plan partial update.

5.2 Consideration of Response to the Planning for the Future White Paper

Consultation It was agreed that councillors would send comments to Cllr Law who would draft a response to be approved at the next parish council meeting.

Cllr King left the meeting.

5.3 Consideration of Response to Planning Application REF 20/03065/FUL 15 Innox Grove Installation of a new LPG tank to the front garden. In its current form the parish council consider the proposal to be detrimental to the Green Belt and the public realm. Therefore the parish council will support this application if the tank is buried in the front garden.

Cllr King returned to the meeting.

6 FINANCE

6.1 Payments for Approval

Payments to Ratify Parish Council

31 July	Standing Order	Clerk's Salary July	£279.28
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Payments for Approval Parish Council

14 Sep	Cheque no 970	Clerks Expenses June July	£115.66
		And back pay April to Sep	£85.44
			£201.10

14 Sep	Cheque no 971	Wheelwrights Lease	£196.50
14 Sep	Cheque No 972	Sweeper Fee Uplift Back Payment	
		April to September	£27.06
14 Sep	Cheque No 973	Millstream Lease	£96.00

Millstream and Wheelwrights Payments for Approval

None.

Unanimously approved.

6.2 Financial Report The balance of funds is £13,970.85 and without CIL Funds is £10,571.24. The balance of Millstream and Wheelwrights Funds is £2,453.15.

6.3 Update on Ward Councillors' Empowerment Fund Grant Use It was agreed that the grant, subject to approval by BANES, be used to fund the rebuilding of the Millstream Bridge.

6.4 Approval of the Implementation of the Local Government Pay Settlement with Regard to the Clerk's Salary and Approval of Amendment of Standing Order for Salary Payment and Signing of Standing Order for Sweeper Payment (Already Approved) Based on the clerk and RFO's current spinal column point of 20 it was unanimously approved that the pay award be fully implemented.

6.5 Consideration of Response to Proposed Increase in Membership Fees of ALCA

It was agreed that the parish council represented by Cllr Law and the clerk would vote that the 10% increase in subscription fees per year would be acceptable as originally advised but would not be voting for the new proposal of a 30% increase in one year.

7 HIGHWAYS, RIGHTS OF WAY & ALLIED MATTERS

7.1 Highway and PROW Issues.

Previously reported PROW issues that have not been addressed to be progressed by District Cllr McCabe and Cllr Huggett. Repainting of various signs on the road to be progressed by District Cllr McCabe.

7.1.1 Update On Actions to tackle speeding in the parish

The clerk circulated an update on the 30 mph speed limit extension, traffic calming and Community Speedwatch.

7.1.2 Report on action re Openreach overhead cables

Clerk to request from Openreach that cables between poles in the centre of the village to be placed underground.

8 Millstream and Wheelwrights Workshop and Orchard Committee Report

Cllr Huggett reported on the highlights of the committee meeting held by Zoom on 8 September.

9 Parish Newsletter and Website Autumn newsletter produced and distributed. Website hosting and domain name costs paid. The map and narrative of the PROW to be reinstated. An archive of parish council meeting minutes to be put on the website.

10 District Councillor's Report Cllr McCabe reported on the COVID 19 testing station at the Odd Down Park & Ride, the council signing up to the local electricity generation bill, BANES services mostly back to normal, the Cleveland Bridge repair, low traffic neighbourhoods and the planning permission granted for 37 houses in Englishcombe Lane. Cllr McCabe requested input from the parish council on transport priorities for rural areas.

11 Reports by Clerk/Councillors/Chairman

Clerk on leave from 28 September for 2 weeks.

12 CORRESPONDENCE

None
Meeting closed 9.12pm. Next meeting 26 October.