

Minutes of a meeting of the **CIL** Committee held on Tuesday 13th July 2021 at 6.30pm at the Dunn Village Hall

PRESENT: Councillors Celia Davies (Chairman), Andy Long and Mike Smythe

Also, present: Jackie Cottrell – Parish Clerk

00345 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Williamson – self isolating

Cllr Cook – holiday

Cllr Reading – not available for face-to-face meetings

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - None

MINUTES

To resolve that the minutes of the CIL Committee meeting held on 22nd February 2021 be taken as read, confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman

00346 RESOLVED to adopt the minutes of the meeting held on 22nd February 2021

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT COVERED ON THE AGENDA

The Chairman of CIL recommended that an interview with the Village Leaf should take place to inform them of the Parish Council's action plan resulting from the community survey. All Members were in agreement.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – NO PUBLIC PRESENT

CIL FINANCE

5.1. Itemised Income & Expenditure Report

The Clerk confirmed all financial reports had been independently checked by the Chairman of F&GP. She had received an invoice from Jakk Country Furniture Designs Ltd for the new noticeboard at Bodle Street Green for £650 plus VAT so that figure on the report had been updated. Members noted one change to the report previously circulated. The Clerk to amend the David Bysouth bench costs to £529.87. The costs for the bench were: Section 115 licence £60.14, Section 171 licence £399.61 and installation £600 plus VAT. After deducting Heathfield & Waldron Parish Council's contribution of £529.88, the cost to the Parish Council for the bench totalled £529.87.

Once the David Bysouth bench had been installed there would be £12,627.35 of CIL funds left to spend.

5.2. CIL Receipt & Expiry Log

The Clerk to amend the CIL balance to £12,627.35.

The Clerk reported the Parish Council had £4,098.36 still to spend before October 2022. The new notice board had already been deducted from this figure. After the new bench had been installed that figure would decrease to £3,568.49.

If the fingerpost quote was agreed that figure would decrease to £79.41 and the total CIL balance left to spend would be £9,138.27.

The Clerk to circulate the amended reports to all Councillors.

FINGERPOST REPAIR QUOTE

6.1. To consider and recommend to Full Council to accept the fingerpost repair quote

The Chairman of CIL highlighted to all Members the Clerk had strived to obtain 3 quotes. However, only quote had been received.

The Clerk confirmed East Sussex County Council had informed her the Parish Council could claim match funding for all four fingerposts this financial year with the understanding the Parish Council would not be able to apply in the next financial year. This would be confirmed later in the month after they had completed all their necessary checks.

The Clerk to confirm with Wealden DC that the match funding received from East Sussex County Council would need to be credited back to the CIL balance. All members were in agreement with the repair works.

00347 It was **RESOLVED** the CIL Committee recommended to Full Council that CIL funds would be used to accept the fingerpost repair quote for £3,489.08 on the understanding the Clerk would obtain match funding if possible from ESCC. If match funding was not available the total costs would be funded from CIL

The Clerk to clarify a schedule of works with the contractor. Works could not commence until permission had been granted by ESCC.

7. BODLE STREET GREEN NOTICE BOARD UPDATE

The Clerk reported the new notice board was installed on the 23rd of June. All Councillors had been emailed pictures. The Clerk and Chairman of F&GP both had a key. Thanks were given to ex Councillor Velten and Councillor Long for their time in organising the installation.

The Clerk to update the asset register and inform the insurance company.

BENCHES

8.1. To consider accepting a new bench dedicated to a local member of the community

A local member of the community had expressed an interest in donating a bench to be located next to the Dunn Village Hall and to be dedicated to a local man Mr Knibb. He had taught lots of local children to ride donkeys in the 70's, 80's and 90's on Rushlake Green Village Green. The member of public in question had built a career in horses as a result and would be happy to fund the costs of the bench and plaque.

Cllr Long stated The Horticultural Society had also contacted the Parish Council and offered to match fund the cost, up to £600 for a replacement bench at the

same site. They had provided the original bench on that particular site which had now been removed.

It was confirmed the bench siting was on Parish Council land and the fixings were already in situ for a new bench.

The Clerk to confirm if the member of public would be happy for the bench they wished to donate to be located at a different site on The Green.

Cllr Long to obtain more details from The Horticultural Society. This item would be discussed again at the next CIL meeting.

8.2. Update on the David Bysouth bench

The Clerk informed Members she had prioritised the item. ESCC had received the licence applications, details of the bench, the quote from the contractor for the installation and their appropriate insurance documentation along with a copy of the Parish Council's public liability. To proceed the Parish Council need to pay for the licences.

9. WALKING AND CYCLING ROUTE UPDATE

The Chairman of CIL informed Members a walking and cycling route map had been an item that had featured highly on the community survey.

The Clerk informed Members she had contacted around 40 Parish Councils to ascertain if anything similar had already been done. Uckfield Town Council and Mayfield & Five Ashes Parish Council were also thinking about producing something similar. A local resident of the Hadlow Down parish had already produced a walking guide and contact details had been obtained. Wealden District Council do not produce a booklet but walks are available on their website. It wasn't easy to find specific walks for Warbleton. A website exists called Walk for Life where you type in a postcode and lots of walks come up. Walk information is available on the East Sussex County Council website. However, they cover a wide area so not many feature Walberton. ESCC are working on a local walking and cycling infrastructure plan, the public consultation ended on the 11th December 2020 but results were not yet available. A resident in Punnetts Town had also produced walking information. Cllr Long suggested contacting Herstmonceux Parish Council who also have local walk information available and some of these walks might cross over into the Warbleton Parish.

The idea of selling a Parish Council publication in the village shop was discussed.

The objectives of the proposed publication were discussed: potentially attracting new people to the parish, providing information to existing residents, improving the health and well-being of the community, how the information would be conveyed e.g. digitally or a paper publication, whether local groups could be recruited to help (Ramblers association, Wild about Warbleton and RSPB)

The Clerk to investigate the existing leaflets already available on walks in Rushlake Green.

The Clerk and Chairman of CIL to discuss a progress plan to move the project forward.

10. ELECTRIC CHARGING POINT UPDATE

Cllr Roy Galley who is leading on climate change for Wealden had advised WDC & ESCC Bob Bowdler that Wealden DC were procuring a partner/provider which may be rolled out to Parish Council's in the next few months.

The Clerk to make contact with Roy Galley directly.

Various different locations for charging points were discussed. It was agreed the Horse & Groom car park was too small but Osbourne House might have potential as well as the car park at the Bodle Street Green Village Hall. The possibility of an alliance with Heathfield & Waldron Parish Council for future charging points in Punnetts Town was also noted.

11. NEXT MEETING DATE

7th October 6.30pm Dunn Village Hall

The meeting closed at 7.07pm