

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BOURTON ON-THE-WATER PARISH COUNCIL

held on Thursday 9th January 2020

at 7.00pm in the George Moore Community Centre, Moore Rd, Bourton on the Water

Present: Cllrs. R. Hadley (Chair), B. Sumner, A. Davis, L. Hicks, S. Coventry, B. Wragge, B. Rogers, N. Randall, S. Senior and L. Wilkins.

Standing Orders were suspended for the Public Session

Police Report: Apologies had been received from PC Jason Page.

County Cllr Report: Cllr. P. Hodgkinson reported on the following: -

Sewerage in the River Windrush: Cllr. P. Hodgkinson had been in communication with WASP (Windrush Against Sewerage Pollution) due to contamination in the River Windrush. A meeting was to be arranged with WASP, Cllr. P. Hodgkinson and the Parish Council to discuss this issue on Monday 20th January 2020 at 7.00 pm.

Road Safety at The Furrows: Cllr. P. Hodgkinson was working with Linden Homes, residents of The Furrows and GCC to come up with a plan to resolve some of the concerns with road safety at The Furrows.

De La Hayes: GCC met in November to discuss the issue with the tables and chairs on the highways outside De La Hayes. A lot of work had been going on behind the scenes with this problem.

Pot Holes: People were reminded to report pot holes on the GCC web site of phone 08000 514 514.

District Cllr N. Maunder reported on the following: -

Waste Services: CDC would be putting their new waste services into place as from 18.3.2020 this was to include the collection of small electrical appliances with the re-cycling. There would be separate containers for food and garden waste as from 18.3.2020. The garden waste green bins move from weekly to fortnightly collection and the new food bin would remain as weekly collection.

Cllr. Maunder stated that this service would not be altered now as the consultation period was over and new bins and collection vehicles had been purchased. CDC would carry out another consultation in a year's time to gather people's opinions on the new re-cycling scheme.

CDC's budget: CDC were asking for the public's comments on CDC's budget for 2020/2021.

Local Plan: CDC were revising their local plan up to 2040.

Bourton Chase Phase 3 – Open Spaces: Cllr. Maunder reported that the District Council do not have a policy to adopt public open spaces. It was reported that Cottsway own 50% of the free hold and had stipulated that they would not be taking on the public open space. CDC were now asking Bourton Parish Council to take on the public open spaces at Bourton Chase Phase 3. Bourton Parish Council had raised various questions at a recent meeting with regard to the public open spaces. CDC had been forwarded the questions raised and were waiting to hear back from the Legal Team at CDC. A decision could not be made until these questions had been answered.

CDC had stated that they would offer financial support for maintenance for a short term and CDC would look for somebody else to take on the maintenance of the attenuation ponds at the site.

Public Questions:

CDC Car Parks: It had been reported that CDC had raised over 1.75 million pounds from car park charges.

Cllr. Hadley raised that Bourton Parish Council do not get any of that money raised from the village car parks to put back into community projects.

De La Hayes: It was raised that De La Hayes have now approximately six to seven weeks to put everything back right as per the planning appeal and that no planning application had been submitted as yet. Cllr. N. Maunder agreed to follow this up with CDC and would report back to the next Parish Council meeting.

Re-Cycling: This week's re-cycling had not all been collected. Cllr. Maunder reported that CDC were coming back tomorrow to complete the round as there had been so much re-cycling to collect from the Christmas period.

Split tree on Lansdowne:

A resident reported a split tree in Lansdowne and a branch was being held up by an electricity cable. The Clerk was to report this to the electricity board.

TRO

A resident asked when the new TRO's would be in place as Lansdowne had been completely grid locked over the Christmas period and several week-ends after. Councillors responded that the consultation had taken place and GCC were going through the responses. It was planned to have the new TRO's in place before the busy summer period. GCC were looking into additional Civil Enforcement Officer time in the village.

19/117: Apologies for Absence: had been received from Cllr. K. Cronin and District Cllr. R. Keeling.

19/118: Members' Interests: Cllr. A. Davis declared an interest in the discussion on the Public Open Space at Bourton Chase and took no part in the discussion.

19/119: Minutes of the Meeting held on 4th December 2019 were signed and approved at the meeting.

19/120: Matters Arising

Metal Fence: The temporary metal fence around a portion of the village green had now been installed and would be removed by the end of March 2020.

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Xmas tree: It was agreed that the xmas tree in the river looked good again this year. Contributions were being sought to go towards the xmas tree next year and the flower tubs and hanging baskets for this coming year.

19/121: Finance & General Purpose Committee

The Council received and approved the minutes of the F & GP meeting held on 5th December 2019.

Cllr. B. Sumner proposed to accept the precept figure for 2020/2021 at £162,261. Cllr. S. Coventry seconded the proposal.

A unanimous vote of all in favour was taken at the meeting to set the precept for 2020/2021 at £162,261.

19/122: Planning

The Council received and approved the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 11th December 2019. The car park at the Clock House had been completed. The Parish Council agreed to not follow up getting the Clock House listed under the recommendation of the Listed Building department at CDC.

The Clerk was to contact CDC to get confirmation that the caravan would not be re-instated at the front of De La Hayes restaurant.

19/123: Open Spaces Bourton Chase Phase 3

The Council received and approved the notes of the Open Spaces Bourton Chase Phase 3 meeting held on 11th December 2019. The Parish Council were waiting for a response from the Legal Team at CDC with answers to questions raised at the meeting held on 11th December 2019. The Clerk was to contact the Head of Legal Team to chase the response required before any decisions were made with regard to maintenance of the Public Open Spaces at Bourton Chase Phase 3.

19/124: Community Services Committee

The Council received and approved the minutes of the CSC meeting held on 11th December 2019.

The CSC meeting had now been divided into two meetings consisting of Youth & Wellbeing and Village Environment. Election of Chairperson for each committee would take place at the first meeting of each committee. Terms of reference for each committee were to be drawn up.

19/125: GMCC

Cllr. Sumner reported that the Parish Council plan to undertake the roof work required at the front of the GMCC. Grant funding was being sought to help towards the cost of the repair work.

Kendall & Davies were now working on registering the title deed and registering the deed of variation on GMCC. A lorry had hit one of the columns at the entrance of GMCC which had moved the top plinth. Hacklings had manoeuvred the plinth back into place and Peter Pulham had pointed around the join.

19/126: Youth & Wellbeing

Cllr. Hicks reported on the number of children attending the Youth Club at the Cricket Club. Six senior members of the Youth Club were taking on being Little Helpers. There was a National award which the Little Helpers could get. CMAS had reported that there would be a big increase in the charges as from April 2020. Cllr. Hicks would query the big increase with CMAS.

The Play Ranger sessions at the Melville recreation ground were free for children to attend and was always very well attended.

Cllr. Wragge reported that the Cotswold School had an inclusion officer on site and there was a process to go through before any child was excluded from the school.

The Art Lift sessions in the village had approximately 45 people who attend the sessions.

Dementia awareness would continue in the village this year.

Cllr. Davis reported that she had completed and submitted a grant form to CDC asking for £3230.00 to support the mental wellbeing in the village. Cotswold First Aid training had offered to hold some courses in the village. The Parish Council granted free use of the GMCC rooms for the first aid training sessions if the rooms hadn't already been booked.

The Parish Council unanimously agreed that the Council fully supported this grant application.

19/127: Village Environment

The Men in Sheds had made wooden markers for all of the allotments in the village and a few cemetery markers. The Parish Council agreed unanimously to grant a donation of £150.00 for making the markers.

A working party would be organised in the Spring to put the wooden markers in place.

19/128: Highways Committee

Cllr. N. Randall updated the Council on the progress of the TRO for the village. The winter weather equipment was already in place and GCC had delivered the salt. Training was to be arranged for Councillors to use the snow spreader at the GMCC site.

19/129: Village Green Bookings

No additional village green bookings had been received.

19/130: Finance

(a) The Council received and approved the schedule of payments up to 9th January 2020 at £19,237.77.

Cllr. B. Hadley proposed approval of the payments, Cllr. B. Sumner seconded the proposal. A unanimous vote was taken of all in favour of the proposal.

(b) The Council authorised the cheques and BACS payments.

(c) The Council noted the bank reconciliation to 29th November 2019 and the summary report.

19/131: Internal Auditor through GAPTC

The Council approved appointing an internal auditor through GAPTC for 2019/2020. A letter of appointment was to be sent to GAPTC to book an internal auditor and arrange a date to commence the internal audit.

19/132: CorrespondenceGAPTC

GAPTC had been granted 4 places which consist of 2 nominees accompanied by a guest to the Queen's Garden Party in May. Nominations were being sought in recognition of PAST service as Chairmen of Parish Council and Town Mayors in England.

GAPTC Training Courses 2020**Planning applications from the perspective of town and parish councils – 30th January, Highnam**

10.00 am – 1.00 pm - how to ensure your comments are taken seriously and understanding the Local Plan, S106 and Community Infrastructure Levy. **Cllr. Hicks, Cllr. Davis, Cllr. Senior and the Clerk would attend.**

Being a Better Councillor – 25th March, Bourton-on-the-Water 9.30 am – 4.30 pmMoore Cottage Hospital Site

Glos Health and Care had asked if the Parish Council's caretaker could grit and clear the car park in front of the clinic building at the George Moore Community Centre site.

The Clerk was to ask the caretaker if he would be willing to grit and clear the area requested.

Bourton Roadrunners

The Highbridge Jewellers Bourton 10K race was arranged for the morning of Sunday 23rd February. The race was supporting Parkinsons UK and the Cotswold food bank.

Bourton Roadrunners had requested permission to use the corner of the Village Green opposite the Kingsbridge. Permission was also being sought to allow the Marshalls and helpers (approx 30 spaces) to use the Moore centre car park just for the morning of 23.2.2020. **The Council granted both requests.**

Tree Planting

A resident of Bourton (volunteer 'tree champion' for Oxfordshire Trees for the Future) had contacted the Council and asked if there were any local tree planting schemes/opportunities within the Council?

2 bus stop seats at Station Road

Bloor Homes required confirmation from Bourton Parish Council that they would take ownership of the two benches to be installed by the two bus stops by the Cotswold School in Station Road. A commuted sum of £2,000 had been granted to be paid to the Parish Council once the seats had been installed.

The Parish Council confirmed that they would take on ownership and maintenance of the two benches to be installed as stated and would accept the £2,000.00 as agreed.

Recreation Equipment

A public consultation had been arranged on 16th January 2020 from 3 pm – 5 pm to display recreation equipment for the public to state which equipment they would prefer and at which sites.

Team Rudolph

Thanks were given to Team Rudolph for organising the events leading up to Christmas.

Annual Parish Meeting

The Annual Parish meeting had been arranged for 19th March 2020 at 7.00 pm at the GMCC.

Collapsed Wall at Station Road

It had been reported that the owner of the wall had arranged a repair to be carried out shortly.

Fence on footpath from The Pillars to the Football Club

The Cotswold Wardens were to be asked to repair the fence on the footpath from The Pillars to the Football Club.

Wooden barrier alongside footpath in Station Road

GCC were to be contacted to replace the broken wooden barrier alongside the footpath in Station Road.

Speed limit on Fosseway

The Crime Commissioner was to be asked for support in reducing the speed on the Fosseway past the various junctions leading to Bourton.

Cllr. Davis stated that she was willing to stay behind and talk to the members of the public if they had anything else they wished to discuss.

19/133: Next Meeting

The next meeting of Bourton-on-the-Water Parish Council would be held on Wednesday 5th February 2020 at 7.00pm at the George Moore Community Centre.

19/134: Any Other Business

The meeting closed at 8.42 pm.

CHAIRMAN'S SIGNATURE.....



DATE: 5.2.20.