

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

held on Wednesday 6th November 2019

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

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

Standing Orders were suspended for the Public Session

Police Report: Apologies had been received from PC Jason Page and PC Simon Ellison. A police report had been received showing the crime comparison statistics for Bourton-on-the-Water between 1/8/19 – 27/10/19 and 1/8/18 – 27/10/18.

County Cllr Report: Cllr. P. Hodgkinson reported that the crime meeting which had been held at GMCC on 21/10/19 had been very well attended. It was agreed that a six monthly meeting with the Crime Commissioner was to be arranged.

A meeting had been held at the GMCC with Linden Homes, Cllr P. Hodgkinson and residents of The Furrows to try and work a way forward to implement a footpath/pedestrian area and to address road safety issues.

Cllr. Hodgkinson had spoken to Danny Taylor, GCC with regard to A boards in the village. GCC have a policy on A boards and would be looking into the amount of A boards being put out on the footpaths in the village centre.

De La Hayes: There was still a legal dispute going on with regard to the tables outside De La Hayes chip shop.

Youth: Cllr. Hodgkinson had £1,200 to be spent on youth facilities.

Drainage: A blocked drain outside De La Hayes, High Street was brought to the attention of Cllr. Hodgkinson.

The Clerk had already notified GCC on this issue, GCC had been to unblock the drain and had reported that they would be returning to complete the job.

Police Officer: There would be a new police officer based at Stow-on-the-Wold as from January 2020 who would cover Bourton-on-the-Water as part of their role.

District Cllr N. Maunder reported that CDC had held two meetings with the Parish Council over the last two days which covered Open Spaces at Bourton Chase and Challenges and Opportunities for the village.

Disused Railway Line: Grant funding was being sought to get enough funds to open up the disused railway line from Bourton-on-the-Water to Kingham for a walkway/cycle route.

District Cllr R Keeling reported on the planning appeal on Nethercote Cottage.

An electric car charging point site at the old Gilder site was up for debate at CDC on 13/11/19. GCC's comments were against the application.

Public Questions:

Xmas tree: A resident involved in the Christmas committee asked Council's permission for the xmas tree in the river lights to be switched on 1/12/19.

The Council granted permission to this request.

19/082: Apologies for Absence: Had been received from Cllr. S.Senior.

19/083: Members' Interests: There were no declarations to report at the meeting.

19/084: Minutes of the Meeting held on 2nd October 2019 were signed and approved at the meeting.

19/085: Matters Arising – none other than on the agenda.

19/086: Community Services Committee

The Council received and approved the minutes of the CSC meeting held on 9th October 2019.

Metal Fence: The metal fence for the village green had been ordered and was planned to be installed early December 2019.

Clapton Row: Further quotations were being sought for wooden posts to go around the green at Clapton Row.

Recreation Equipment: Quotations were being sought for recreation equipment for older children at Melville recreation ground and The Naight. A consultation would be held to gather comments from the local residents and school children on the equipment preferred. Grant funding was to be sought.

Youth: Cllr. Hicks reported there had been twenty children in attendance at this week's Youth Club.

Three young members of the Youth Club had requested to become Youth Volunteers at the Youth Club.

CMAS were in communication with the two schools in the village.

Cllr. Hicks asked for Council's permission to apply for grant funding from Cllr. P. Hodgkinson to assist with the hire costs of the venue at the Cricket Club for the Youth Club.

The Parish Council voted on this request with an outcome of a unanimous vote of all in favour.

CMAS had indicated that their prices were due to increase. The Parish Council decided to await for the revised figure and if necessary would obtain further quotations to provide this service.

Dementia Training: Further dementia training was planned for early 2020. The trained people who attended the last training would be asked to pair up and approach local businesses on dementia awareness.

Cllr. A. Davis was attending further training to become qualified.

The Cotswold School was to be approached to ask whether some of their students could go into the elderly persons' homes and talk to the residents.

Funstival: A de-briefing of the Funstival event was to take place.

A & E at Cheltenham Hospital: Cllr. Wragge notified the Council that there were no plans to change the A & E service at Cheltenham hospital.

Cotswolds Friends AGM: Cllr. Hadley had attended the Cotswolds Friends AGM and reported that the Cotswold Friends do a tremendous job for the community.

VE Day: Cllr. Hadley would approach the British Legion and ask if they were planning to hold an event in the village to celebrate the VE Day on 8.5.2020.

Xmas tree: Cllr. Hicks would ask the Football Club for volunteers to help putting the base together for the xmas tree in the river.

19/087: Planning

The Council received and approved the minutes of the Planning Committee meetings held on 9th October 2019 and 23rd October 2019.

Caravan/Ice Cream Van at De La Hayes: The Parish Council were waiting comments from CDC on the caravan/ice cream van at De La Hayes.

Lamping at Greystones: The Clerk was to follow this up.

Planning Application for Hazleton: The Parish Council were to discuss the planning application for Hazelton at next weeks planning committee. It had been reported that GCC highways hadn't objected to this application but CDC and the Archaeologist had objected. The applicant was applying for a middle road pedestrian crossing on the main road. The Parish Council were concerned with this request as there had been a lot of accidents at this particular point.

19/088: Personnel Committee

The Council received and approved the minutes of the Personnel Committee meeting held on 11th October 2019.

The committee had agreed for additional hours for members of the staff to set up and close the GMCC throughout the working week.

19/089: Highways Committee

The Council received and approved the minutes of the Highways Committee meeting held on 14th October 2019.

The police were continuing to support the Parish Council's system in the village. The TRO document was being published and would be open for comments until 29th November 2019.

19/090: GMCC Committee

The Council received and approved the minutes of the GMCC Committee meeting held on 22nd October 2019.

Lease: The legal issue on the lease had now been put back into the hands of Kendall & Davis solicitors.

Roof Works: A quotation had been obtained from Heritage Roofing to undertake the roof works required. Grant funding was being looked into to assist with the roof works required at GMCC.

Drainage: Dyno-Rod had removed an area in the pipes to help alleviate any further blockages at GMCC.

Lagging Pipes: The external pipes had now been lagged at the GMCC.

Boiler Room: The boiler room had been cleared of old pipe work as planned.

Carpet: The committee had approved to have a new carpet installed in the lobby, up the stairs and on the landing leading up to the flat and the Beautylicious room.

Car Park: The use of the car park at GMCC was being monitored.

19/091: Finance & General Purposes Committee

The Council received and approved the F & GP Committee meeting held on 22nd October 2019.

The quarterly check had been undertaken. Feed back and recommendations were to be provided.

It was agreed to add Cllr. A. Davis to the banking signatory list.

The grant funding policy and grant application form had been updated.

19/092: Village Green Bookings

No additional village green bookings had been received.

19/093: Finance

(a) The Council received and approved the schedule of payments up to 6th November at £25,956.40.

(b) The Council authorised BACS payments were ratified.

(c) The Council noted the bank reconciliation to 1st October 2019 and the summary report.

It was noted that the hiring of the rooms at GMCC were going well. Jo Herbert was to be thanked for the work which she puts into the room hiring.

19/094: Code of Conduct

The Council received and approved the updated Code of Conduct for Bourton-on-the-Water Parish Councillors which had been brought in line with CDC's Code of Conduct.

Cllr. B. Sumner proposed and Cllr. B. Rogers seconded that the Council approve the updated Code of Conduct. A vote was taken of all in favour.

19/095: Responsibilities of the Community Services Committee

A discussion took place on the responsibilities of the CSC meeting and whether to keep the meeting as it was or whether to split the meeting into two committees. It was decided to take this item to the next CSC meeting for further discussion.

Cllr. L. Wilkins agreed to be a member of this committee.

19/096: January Parish Council Meeting

The date for the January Parish Council meeting was arranged for Thursday 9th January 2020 at 7.00 pm.
A vote was taken on whether to hold an August Parish Council meeting or not as follows: -

6 in favour 4 against

Result: A Parish Council meeting would be held in August 2020.

19/097: CorrespondencePolice

Chief Constable Rod Hansen and PCC Martin Surl would be at Bingham Hall, Cirencester on Wednesday 13th November 2019 starting at 2.30 pm. This would be an open public event.

Polling Districts and Polling Places

CDC were holding a consultation to review Polling Districts and Polling Places.

Comments to be sent in writing to elections@cotswold.gov.uk by 6th December 2019.

Decreasing Speed and Increasing Road Safety

GRCC are holding a Road Safety and Speeding event at the Westwoods Centre in Northleach on Thursday 14th November 2019, 6.00 pm – 8.00 pm.

Bourton Road Runners

Bourton Road Runners would be holding their Annual 10K Road Race on Sunday 23rd February 2019.

Bus Stops/Seats

Bloor Homes were to be chased as they had agreed to install two seats at bus stops in the village.

Cotswold Conservation Board

Cllr. A. Davis would be joining the Cotswold Conservation Board walking/pathways group.

The Council congratulated Cllr. Davis in taking part in the Dragon Boat Team representing GB.

Footpath behind Cricket Club

It had been reported that the vegetation on the footpath behind the Cricket Club was in need of clearing.

Health & Well Being

Cllr. B. Wragge had been invited to join CDC's Health & Well Being group.

National Express Bus

A new National Express bus service was in operation which would pick up from Bourton-on-the-Water, Stow-on-the-Wold, Moreton-in-Marsh, Chipping Norton, Yarnton and then onto London.

19/098: Next Meeting

The next meeting of Bourton-on the-Water Parish Council would be held on Wednesday 4th December 2019 at 7.00pm at the George Moore Community Centre.

19/099: Any Other BusinessPublic Parking

It was reported that cars were being parked right up to the corner of Station Road/Rissington Road.

The person collecting money for parking in the Manor Fields was to be asked to collect the money further back in the field to try and resolve the long queues in the busy season.

Vehicles were also being parked on pavements.

The Council responded that once the TRO had been put into place there were going to be more double yellow lines installed in the village. The Council were waiting figures to have a Civil Enforcement Officer longer in the village.

De La Hayes

A question was asked, 'What would happen if the works required to put the De La Hayes building back to how it should be did not happen by the end of the six months?'

The Council answered that the person concerned would be in an extremely difficult position and could face imprisonment.

The meeting closed at 8.40 pm.

CHAIRMAN'S SIGNATURE.....

DATE:.....

04.12.19.