

ABBOTTS ANN PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes from the Meeting held on
Thursday 4th April 2019 at 19:00
at War Memorial Hall, Abbots Ann



Present: Parish Cllrs: M Doherty, Mrs L Haigh, C Teasdale.
 Borough Cllr G Stallard, County Cllr A Gibson.

Members of the Public: 9

Minutes: Mrs C L Cotterell (Clerk)

Meeting started 19.00

AGENDA ITEM		ACTION
	Cllrs to elect a Chairman from amongst Members present to preside over Item 1 Cllr Haigh proposed Cllr Teasdale, seconded by Cllr Doherty, all agreed. Cllr Teasdale was elected and chaired Item 1.	
1	Election of Chairman for the Meeting – Cllr Haigh proposed Cllr Teasdale to chair the meeting, seconded by Cllr Doherty, all agreed. Cllr Teasdale was elected as Chairman for the meeting.	
2	Apologies for Absence Apologies were received from Parish Cllrs Hayter, Abram, Bleeker, Wells and Borough Cllr Flood.	NOTED
3	Declarations of Interest – None	NOTED
4	Cllrs to agree the minutes to be an accurate record of the meeting held on 7th March 2019 – Proposed Cllr Haigh, seconded Cllr Doherty, all agreed.	
5	Actions/Updates to be reported <u>Actions from meeting held on 07.03.2019</u> Item 9a – Manor Farm - Response received from TVBC – enquiry has been passed to Enforcement Officer under reference 19/191/PP. Item 9b – Dingwall - Response received from Head of Planning, advising two complaints had been received and enforcement officers had attended the site. Full response has been circulated to councillors and is attached to the minutes. <u>Updates:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Noticeboards have been returned and are being replaced, the posts for two boards have been re-sited. • The wooden tepee at WMH has been repaired at a cost of £30. This cost has been approved by the Clerk and Vice Chairman, in the absence of the Chairman. • Letter received from TVBC confirming waste/dog bin emptying charges for 2019-2020 are changing to £200 + VAT per bin. Clerk will circulate letter to Cllrs. • Cllr Haigh gave an update on the noticeboards. The shop one has been put up, the posts at the village hall and the church have been re-sited, and the remaining 4 boards to be put up. 	Clerk
6	Actions from Parish Assembly Clerk reported that two queries were made at the Parish Assembly: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Excess number of BT telegraph poles in Duck Street – Clerk has made an enquiry with BT and is awaiting a response. 2. Flooding of surface drains in Duck Street – despite the jetting of the system last year there is still flooding occurring in Duck Street – the suggestion is that there is a blockage or collapsed drain - Clerk asked Cllr Gibson to arrange urgent investigation of the system by HCC. In March 2019 HCC cleaned the 2 soakaways between the Primary School and Bulbery. Cllr Gibson needs to speak to Steve Moreno when he returns from leave. It was noted that the drain has collapsed in the road outside the village hall – Cllr Gibson will report to HCC. 	Cllr Gibson
7	Public Participation – <i>This item will be limited to 15 minutes, unless directed otherwise by the Chairman.</i> Several residents wished to comment on planning item 9d – Chairman agreed they could speak when the item came up on the agenda. Mr Howard gave apologies that Mr Platford was unable to attend and was present, if required, for the Correspondence item.	
8	Borough and County Councillor Reports Cllr Gibson reported: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HCC has problems in funding, £40m needed. Leadership election to take place on 7th May. • Council tax is likely to increase in future. 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stockbridge school swimming pool – ideas for funding needed to prevent closure. Wallops traffic calming project could cause traffic issues on A343 – <i>(Amended by resolution on 16.05.2019 to read: there will an increase in traffic but not deemed to be a problem).</i> HCC trying to get more money for Highways and there are concerns around the quality of pothole repairs. Cllr Gibson will be pushing Steve Maloney to speak to Southern Water on sewerage from West Hill. <p>Cllr Stallard reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> That he is not standing for election on 2nd May and this would be his last meeting to attend as Borough Cllr. Leisure Centre opened on Monday Morning 1st April – 2 swimming pools, learning pool has a moveable floor to change depth. In period leading up to 2nd May – TVBC has 2 major decisions to make, one is confidential. One to change the planning committee structure – currently a 2 committee structure plan, proposal is to disband the planning control committee and have a single planning committee structure. <p>Cllr Haigh proposed, on behalf of the PC, thanks to Cllr Stallard for his time and service to the Parish as Borough Cllr, Cllr Gibson agreed from a County point of view both Cllrs Flood and Stallard were very hard-working Cllrs.</p>	
9	<p>Planning and Tree Work applications – Cllrs to propose responses to be submitted to TVBC relating to the following applications:</p> <p>Cllrs to propose responses to be submitted to TVBC relating to the following applications:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 19/00517/TPON - T60 - Ash - Crown lift to 5m above ground level, reduce side crown to create 3m clearance. T51 - Beech - Crown lift to 5m above ground level, reduce side crown to create 3m clearance - Highfield Lodge Abbots Hill Little Ann – No objection – Proposed Cllr Haigh, seconded Cllr Doherty, all agreed. 19/00540/TPON – T1 - Lime – Fell - 10 Kingsmead Anna Valley – This item was withdrawn as already decided. 19/00590/TPON – Lime - reduce crown by 30% - 18 Kingsmead Anna Valley – No objection - Proposed Cllr Haigh, seconded Cllr Doherty, all agreed. 19/00607/FULLN - Erection of a 2 bay timber frame car port - Little Laughton House Old Salisbury Road Abbots Ann – several residents spoke expressing their concerns and objection to this application – namely that it dominants whole road, will be built in front of building line, it is a private access track and if used for large vehicles will damage the track. – Objection on the grounds that it is not in keeping with the character of existing properties, it is in advance of the building line, it has a negative impact on the character and appearance of the area and has a negative impact on the amenity of neighbouring properties - Proposed Cllr Haigh, seconded Cllr Doherty, all agreed. 19/00771/FULLN & 19/00772/LBWN – Reconstruction of the lounge barn – The Old Mill House Andover Road Monxton – No objection - Proposed Cllr Doherty, seconded Cllr Haigh, all agreed. 	
10	<p>Burghclere Down Defibrillator</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Cllrs to confirm the agreement with the Burghclere Down Community Centre Association for the asset transfer of the defibrillator with effect from 1st April 2019 – Proposed Cllr Haigh, seconded Cllr Doherty, all agreed. Cllrs to approve the removal of the defibrillator located at Burghclere Down from the PC Asset Register with effect from 1st April 2019 – Proposed Cllr Haigh, seconded Cllr Doherty, all agreed. 	Clerk
11	<p>Sportsfield/Pavilion</p> <p>Cllrs to consider action to remove overgrown trees/bushes behind the pavilion – Cllrs agreed for the Clerk to ask the Maintenance Contractor for a quotation to clear vegetation from behind pavilion and respond to the neighbour.</p>	Clerk
12	<p>Correspondence</p> <p>Cllrs to receive email correspondence from PCC regarding churchyard paths.</p> <p>Cllrs discussed correspondence received from PCC regarding the specification and statement of work requested from the diocese for the churchyard paths – Action: - Cllrs agreed to request Cllr Hayter to meet with Graham Platford to agree a response to the diocese request. <i>(Amended by resolution on 16.05.2019 to read: Clerk was actioned to ask Cllr Hayter to meet</i></p>	Cllr Hayter

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	<i>Graham Platford in order to produce detailed information necessary to the DAC and thereby enable churchyard footpaths project to proceed.)</i>																									
13	<p>Finance</p> <p>a) Cllrs to approve the Financial Statement for 1st to 31st March 2019 – Proposed Cllr Doherty, seconded Cllr Haigh, all agreed.</p> <p>b) Cllrs to approve the Annual Statements of Accounts for 1st April 2018 to 31st March 2019 - Proposed Cllr Haigh, seconded Cllr Doherty, all agreed.</p> <p>c) Cllrs to approve the following payments to be made – Proposed Cllr Doherty, seconded Cllr Haigh, all agreed.</p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: left;"><u>Payee</u></th> <th style="text-align: right;"><u>Amount</u></th> <th style="text-align: left;"><u>Payee</u></th> <th style="text-align: right;"><u>Amount</u></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Clerks/office expenses (Mar)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£ 44.17</td> <td>Clerk Salary (Apr S/O)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£814.60</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Countrywide Grds (Mar)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£934.00</td> <td>HMRC PAYE Q4</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£135.84</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Pension Contributions (DD)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£ 43.88</td> <td>BT Qtrly bill</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£ 66.03</td> </tr> <tr> <td>TVBC Dog/waste bin collection</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£1255.80</td> <td>RGA Landscaping (posts/tepee)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£150.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="4"><u>Closing bank balance as at 31st March 2019 - £33,864.06</u></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Amount</u>	Clerks/office expenses (Mar)	£ 44.17	Clerk Salary (Apr S/O)	£814.60	Countrywide Grds (Mar)	£934.00	HMRC PAYE Q4	£135.84	Pension Contributions (DD)	£ 43.88	BT Qtrly bill	£ 66.03	TVBC Dog/waste bin collection	£1255.80	RGA Landscaping (posts/tepee)	£150.00	<u>Closing bank balance as at 31st March 2019 - £33,864.06</u>				
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14	Next Meeting – Annual Meeting - Thursday 16 th May 2019 - 7pm – War Memorial Hall, Abbots Ann																									

Meeting closed at 20.14

These minutes were amended, approved and signed by the Chairman at the meeting held on 16th May 2019

Appendix - Item 9b

Response from Paul Jackson: Abbots Ann Parish Council - Dingwall, Little Ann Road, Little Ann

Dear Clare

I refer to your letter dated 13th March 2019 with regard to the above.

It is important in the first instance to make it clear that it is the responsibility of those carrying out the development to ensure that the works are carried out in accordance with the approved plans. A condition is attached to the planning permission which requires developers to carry out development in accordance with the approved plans and the approved drawing numbers are specifically referenced. Any work carried out not in accordance with the approved plans are done so at the developers own risk. It is also important to point out that at no time did the owner of the property indicate to any officer visiting the site that he had deviated from the approved plans and was such a deviation acceptable, I find this quite surprising giving the significance of the changes.

Planning enforcement in Test Valley is a reactive service responding to complaints about unauthorised development from the public and Parish Councils. As such we do not proactively search for breaches of planning control or actively monitor development sites.

Planning Enforcement Officers have visited this site on two occasions as a result of complaints from the public. The first was in July 2018 relating excavated material from the site being deposited on land nearby and mud on the road. The focus of this investigation primarily related to these two issues both of which were satisfactorily resolved from a planning enforcement point of view. At this time there had been no complaints about the building itself.

A further complaint was received in November 2018 alleging the building was not being built in accordance with the approved plans. An Enforcement Officer attended the site and concluded this was in fact the case. The owner of the building choose to submit an application to seek to remedy the breach of planning control, as is there right to do so, and they were advised by the officer that should they continue to build the property, then they do so at their own risk.

Building Control officers also attended the site several times in 2018 at various stages of the build. These visits are purely to oversee the building works to ensure they comply to Building Regulations. Building Surveyors do not carry out checks to ensure development is taking place in accordance with the approved planning permission.

I trust the above is of assistance to you.

Kind regards

Paul

Paul Jackson
Head of Planning and Building
Test Valley Borough Council