

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF BOURTON ON-THE-WATER PARISH COUNCIL
held on Wednesday 3rd February 2021
at 7.00pm via Zoom**

Present: Cllrs. R. Hadley (Chair), B. Sumner, A. Davis, L. Hicks, B. Wragge, N. Randall, L. Wilkins, S. Coventry, A. Roberts and P. Millett. District Cllr. N. Maunder and County Cllr. P. Hodgkinson.
The Parish Clerk and 5 members of the public.

Standing Orders were suspended for the Public Session

Police Report: The police had reported that the person who had painted graffiti to the entrance of the cemetery would be writing an apology letter to the Parish Council along with a contribution towards the cost of removing the graffiti.

District Cllr. N. Maunder reported that CDC would be holding a Flooding Forum meeting on 11.2.2021 to discuss what role the District Council could take to assist with this problem. CDC have made a decision that all District Council car park payments would be cashless as from 1.3.2021. The Co-op and Londis were working within the Covid guidelines. Businesses who had applied for Covid grants from CDC would automatically receive another grant when available. Any business who hadn't applied for a grant was urged to apply. CDC were changing the approach as from 22.2.2021 to handing out community grants and would be using a crowd funding platform, as this would make the amounts larger. CDC were carrying out a consultation of Public Open Spaces on new developments in the District. CDC had adopted a new Code of Conduct and feedback was sought. Patrick Arran, CDC would be running some training sessions on the new Code of Conduct – details to follow.

County Cllr. P. Hodgkinson reported that Covid-19 case rates were coming down substantially. Parts of the A436 was planned to be closed for a few days due to Ash die back and trees being removed. A section of the A429, Whiteshoots Hill was due to be resurfaced on 17.2.2021. The TRO was still on track to be implemented. Quotations were being obtained for wooden posts for the grass verge in Rissington Road. Extra signage was planned to be put in place to divert traffic down Station Road to the village car parks by Easter 2021. The County Council would be writing to all properties in the area to prompt them to register with Fastershire internet provider as parts of the village could not get a good internet service. The TAG meeting which had been set up now had sixteen volunteers helping out. A meeting was planned with TAG members to meet with the village car park owners to try and co-ordinate a better managed system. Cllr. A. Roberts asked if GCC could clean the drains and the gullies in the county as a routine job as surface water was going to be one of the biggest problems due to climate change. CDC were to be asked if the cost (approx. £12,000.00) of the proposed wooden posts for the grass verge in Rissington Road could come out of the tourist tax being applied on Rissington Road car park.

A Member of the public raised the following issue: - The number of visitors still coming to the village whilst Covid-19 restrictions were in place.

Cllr. B. Hadley welcomed Cllr. P. Millett to the Parish Council as a Parish Councillor. Cllr. P. Millett read out his Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

20/186: Apologies for Absence: Had been received from District Cllr. R. Keeling.

20/187: Members' Interests: Cllrs. B. Hadley, B. Sumner and N. Randall declared an interest in 20/198 Village Green Hire as they were members of the Rotary Club.

20/188: Minutes of the Meeting held on 6th January 2021: Cllr. A. Davis proposed to approve the Parish Council minutes of 6.1.2021. Cllr. N. Randall seconded the proposal. A unanimous vote was taken of all in favour of approving the Parish Council minutes of 6.1.2021.

20/189: Matters Arising: None.

20/190: Planning Committee

The Council received the minutes of the Planning Committee meetings held on 13th and 27th January 2021.

20/191: GMCC Committee

The Council received the minutes of the GMCC Committee meeting held on 21st January 2021. Paddy the Barber had withdrawn his request for a barber sign. A quotation to supply and fit a carpet to the Parish Council offices had been obtained at a cost of £1,423.00 + VAT. A unanimous vote was taken of all in approval of the quotation received.

20/192: Village Environment Committee

The Council received the minutes of the Village Environment Committee meeting held on 13th January 2021.

20/193: Highways Committee

The Council received the minutes of the Highways Committee meeting held on 18th January 2021. The ANPR camera had been ordered. The additional hours for the CEO had also been requested after the Parish Council had approved the budget for 2021/22. The Parish Council's Flood Plan was being reviewed and local residents and businesses were to be urged to purchase their own sandbags. Cllr. A. Roberts and Cllr. P. Millett were thanked for putting the sandbags out at the Ford in the village. Dale Hackling was to be thanked for providing the transport to get the sandbags from his yard to the village.

20/194: Youth & Wellbeing Committee

The Council received the minutes of the Youth & Wellbeing Committee meeting held on 18th January 2021. It was noted that Tesco's had selected Head Space as their chosen charity for this year and had agreed to help with the administration of the charity as well.

20/195: Finance & General Purposes Committee

The Council received the minutes of the F & GP Committee meeting held on 21st January 2021. Cllr. S. Coventry and Cllr. A. Roberts would be carrying out the third quarterly check on the Parish Council's finance and procedures.

20/196: Personnel Committee

The Council received the minutes of the Personnel Committee meeting held on 27th January 2021.

20/197: Other Meetings Outside of Parish Council: Cllr. A. Davis reported that the Cotswolds Volunteer Group were planning to run a workshop on 21.2.2021, on mapping all of the services on frailty and were looking to start to encourage people in getting in touch better. Another session was planned for 11.2.2021 on how to get people to gain their independence and how we can support our residents.

Glos Market Town Forum were looking into ways of starting up the High Streets.

20/198: Village Green Bookings – The following village green bookings had been received: -

N. Cotswolds Rotary Club	Sat 29.5.2021	10 am – 4 pm	Blood pressure event
St. Lawrence's Church	Sat 26.6.2021	9 am – 4 pm	Fete, stalls, duck racing
RNLI	Sat 3.7.2021	10 am – 4.30 pm	Duck races, stalls and tombola
N. Cotswolds Rotary Club	Sat 24.7.2021	10 am – 4 pm	Duck races and tombola
Moreton Bowls Club	Sat 7.8.2021	9.30 am- 5 pm	Duck races and tombola stalls

A unanimous vote of all in favour was taken for each individual application. Cllr. B. Hadley, B. Sumner and N. Randall did not take part in the vote for the N. Cotswolds Rotary Club as they were members of the club.

20/199: CDC's newly adopted Code of Conduct: Councillors were asked to pass their comments to the Clerk on CDC's consultation taking place on the newly adopted Code of Conduct.**20/200: Public Open Space on Residential Developments:** A working party was to get together to gather comments to go into CDC's survey on the management of public open space in new residential developments.**20/201: Finance**

(a) The Council received and approved the schedule of payments up to 3rd February 2021 at £16,157.17.

Cllr. L. Hicks proposed approval of the payments and Cllr. A. Roberts 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 31st December 2020 and the summary report.

(d) The Council noted the VAT return for the period 1/10/2020 to 31/12/2020.

20/202: Correspondence – A request had been received from Carol Groom as she wanted to do some fundraising for Sunflowers Suicide Support and would like to put some artificial flowers and pom poms by the seated area by the middle bridge and the village sign in July 2021. The Council requested that the display should be of a high class display instead of using artificial flowers and paper displays. Suggested crocheted flowers or even real sunflowers in pots. Cllr. L. Hicks would speak to Carol Groom on this request.**20/203: Any Other Business –** The Council agreed that the Tourist Tax on the Rissington Road car park was to be displayed on Facebook and social media.**20/204: Next Meeting**

The next meeting of Bourton-on-the-Water Parish Council would be held on Wednesday 3rd March 2021 at 7.00pm via Zoom.

The meeting closed at 9.14 pm.

CHAIRMAN'S SIGNATURE..... DATE: