

**Cresswell Parish Council
Meeting Wednesday 16th June 2021**

Village Hall 7PM

Minutes of the Meeting

20.77 Present

Councillors: C Tyrie, S Tyrie, S Haywood, A Stoodley, E Rooney, D Laing

In attendance:

M Burn (Clerk)

and Mr B Mead

20.78 Apologies for absence

None.

20.79 Declaration of interests, grant of any dispensations

None.

20.80 Public questions

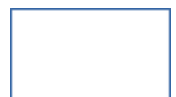
No questions to the council

20.81 Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting on 19th May 2021 were agreed as a true and accurate record and were signed and dated by the Chair.

20.82 Matters Arising from the Minutes (unless separately on the agenda)

None



20.83 Financial matters

(20.83.01) The clerk explained no invoices were paid because previous signatories to bank accounts were removed and there is a delay in replacing the nominated signatures, attributed say Barclays Bank Ltd, to covid restrictions on their own working practices. The application was made in person on 4th June 2021. This should be resolved within one week of this meeting.

(20.83.02) The chair gave an explanation of the review of the asset register completed. No changes were observed.

20.84 Correspondence

20.84.01 - NCC Continue to provide covid 19 testing kits via mobile facility. This visiting schedule is circulated by email.

20.84.02 - Project Gigabit closing date was 11th June, discussion took place regarding service quality in the area.

20.84.03 The Local Plan Main Modifications Consultation Documents were received in hard copy and memory stick from NCC. Both are in safe keeping of the chair and available on request.

20.85 Planning

No planning applications received. Clerk informed the council that the direct communication email to CPC was not working and would discuss with the previous clerk to resolve. At the time of compiling the minutes the issue was resolved.

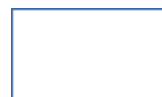
20.86 Annual Governance and Accountability Return for 2020/21

(20.86.01) Chair Cllr C Tyrie introduced the AGAR documentation. Council considered and agreed to any actions arising from the internal auditors report.

(20.86.02) The annual Governance statement was agreed. (20.86.03) Draft annual accounts were approved. (20.86.04) The accounting statement and variances were approved. (20.86.05) The certificate of exemption was approved.

(20.86.06) Policies were discussed by council with the clerk explaining that a review was necessary. Specific discussion took place regarding the Vulnerable person policy (draft provided). Cllr Rooney agreed to be the nominated person for vulnerable person policy 2021. CPC agreed to review 13 policies with the clerk to compile and submit to Cllr L Rooney to evaluate before circulation to council and discussion at the next meeting.

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20.87 Highways Issues

(20.87.01) Cllr D Laing to meet with NCC Highways and report to council on progress to consider issues on the C110 in Cresswell. D Laing explained the potentially dangerous undermining section of the road (C110) was unlikely as the road had already been strengthened. The clerk explained that the road was reported to highways on June 2nd as in need of urgent assessment. The clerk explained new reports of a dangerous road were received to date which had been reported to NCC via an online portal. Discussion took place regarding the condition of the road with a photograph of the problem circulated.

(20.87.02) Cllr Stoodley explained wind farm funding sources were closing in August. It was not considered the appropriate budget source for traffic calming solar panel speed signs as it is not a 'community approach' subject. Cllr Stoodley to approach NCC for further consultation. However the funding from wind farm community budgets may be available for disability access projects to the beach. Discussion took place and Cllr Stoodley to investigate.

(20.87.03) Cllr Laing raised the topic of speeding solutions in general, a discussion took place to evaluate the best way forward, with Cllr C Tyrie agreeing to seek funding by meeting with management of Parkdean holiday park to discuss funding of parish projects. Cllr Rooney gave an example of current speed signs being ignored by road users and discussion concluded that current speed reduction measures were ineffective.

20.88 Garden Plots

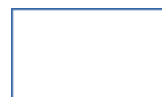
(20.55) Cllr Tyrie informed CPC investigations were ongoing but that some progress had been made regarding ownership with the clerk confirming letters were sent out requesting their confirmation of ownership. To date no replies were received. (20.88.02) Cllr Laing confirmed that the 'works' ongoing identified previously were levelling off and not construction.

(20.88.03) Discussion took place regarding the use of herbicide at base of footpath on field side of road C110 opposite Southside (Fisher row). Cllr Rooney was responding to residents who expressed concern and Cllr Laing agreed to investigate why it was used and where by whom? Further discussion took place regarding the planting of wildflowers and the possibilities of future planting and maintenance issues.

20.89 Pele Tower Update

Mr B Mead gave CPC an update expressing disappointment due to covid 19 for

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delays in opening to the public. Now anticipated for opening on 25th July 2021. Discussion took place regarding how to protect the fabric of the building as Mr Mead explained the tower has already been vandalised with windows smashed. It was suggested that Parkdean site management should take greater responsibility, possible use of CCTV, passive lighting and enforcement signs. Cllr Tyrie to discuss when she meets management.

20.90 Tree Planting scheme for CPC

Cllr Tyrie informed members the application had been submitted as part of an umbrella application by NCC. The closing date was 31st May. If successful the planting of the village green would need full consultation with residents.

20.91 Communications

CPC now has a Facebook page administered by Cllr Stoodley sharing information about parish specific business only. The clerk confirmed updates are ongoing with the NALC website with limited access to certain functions.

(20.91.02) The parish newsletter will be edited by Cllr Rooney with input from Mr Mead regarding the tower, the introduction of new councillors and possible planting of wild flower beds and trees. It was suggested there is an opportunity to use the newsletter for feedback from residents. Discussion took place regarding distribution by volunteers.

20.92 Date of next meeting

August 4th at 7pm Village Hall Cresswell

The meeting closed at 20:20

Signed..... Cllr Christine Tyrie (Chair)

Date.....

