

NEWBOLD PACEY AND ASHORNE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 6TH NOVEMBER 2019

PRESENT:

Councillors: M Whyte, L Tranter, S Bolton, R Wright, J Little

District & County Cllr: A Parry

Clerk: C Price and 3 members of the public

1	Public Participation
	The owner of Pinecroft attended to answer any questions about their planning application to build a new dwelling on the property.
2	Declarations of interest in items on the agenda
	Cllr Bolton declared a non-pecuniary interest in application 19/02950/TREE and will not vote on it. Cllrs Tranter & Wright declared a non-pecuniary interest in application 19/02870/FUL and will not vote on it.
3	Apologies for Absence
	Apologies were received from Cllr Brazel.
4	To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 4 th September 2019
	The Minutes of meeting of the Parish Council held on 4 th September 2019 were unanimously approved as a true record of proceedings and signed by the Chairman. Proposed: Cllr Whyte Seconded: Cllr Tranter
5	District Councillors' Report
	The Parish Council noted the content of Cllr Parry's report (previously circulated) which stated: Recycling Full Council approved the decision to invest £5 million in a new Material Recycling Facility (MRF) in conjunction with five other partner councils – Coventry City Council, Nuneaton & Bedworth Borough Council, Rugby Borough Council, North Warwickshire Borough Council, Solihull Metropolitan Council and Walsall Council. The current contract runs until 2022 and on expiry the Council would need to make new arrangements for the reprocessing of material. Evidence from recent procurement exercises in both Coventry City Council and neighbouring authorities showed that the upward trend of cost was likely to continue with substantial rises as the private sector continued to move the risk of end market prices and legislation more and more to local authorities.

At the financial close of the build project, the Partner Council's would be jointly required to establish an arms-length company (AssetCo) to enter into contracts and to deliver the recycling solution, funded through loans from Partner Councils. The project offered an opportunity to use the Council's investment power to reduce the long term cost of a key statutory service whilst potentially improving the quality of the recycling service offered and reduce the impact of climate change.

Garden Waste

Stratford-on-Avon District Council ('the Council') is facing significant financial and environmental pressures in the medium term. There has been a 60% reduction in central government grant funding which means that the Council must consider a number of options to close the budget deficit in future years. One option is to introduce a chargeable garden waste service to help the Council reduce the costs of service provision. This would also result in more environmentally friendly ways of dealing with garden waste, such as home composting.

Stratford-on-Avon District has one of the lowest 'Band D' equivalent Council Tax rates in the wider West Midlands region, as seen below:

Rank	Local Authority	Band 'D' Equivalent	Annual Garden Waste Charge	TOTAL
1	Warwick District Council	£166.86	Nil	£166.86
2	Wychavon District Council	£121.22	£53.00	£174.22
3	Stratford-on-Avon District Council	£139.12	£40.00 (proposed)	£179.12
4	North Warks Borough Council	£207.30	NIL	£207.30
5	Rugby Borough Council	£189.72	£40.00	£229.72
6	Bromsgrove Borough Council	£223.00	£45.00	£268.00
7	Nuneaton & Bedworth Council	£233.66	£40.00	£273.66
8	Redditch Borough Council	£239.15	£40.00	£279.15

From 1 June 2020, the Council proposes to introduce an annual £40 charge per wheeled bin or equivalent sacks for the fortnightly collection of garden waste throughout the year. Additional bins/sacks would be charged at the same rate. A 5% discount in the first year would be offered to those residents who set up an annual Direct Debit for the service. The payment terms would be a single annual subscription fee payable in advance and non-refundable. Without this charge, the Council may have to consider discontinuing the existing garden waste service. The Council is interested in finding out:

- Whether residents would continue to use the garden waste service if it became chargeable;
- If so, how much would they be prepared to pay for the service; and
- If not, how would they dispose of their garden waste?

Residents can take part in the consultation which expires on 19th November and this can be found on the Stratford District Council website

	<p>- https://www.stratford.gov.uk/consultation-performance/Garden-Waste-Service-Consultation.cfm?frmAlias=/GardenWasteConsultation/</p> <p>Parish Council Name Change At the request of Lighthorne Heath Parish Council, it was agreed to change its name to Upper Lighthorne Parish Council to reflect the development of the new GLH settlements.</p> <p>Wellesbourne Airfield Representatives from SDC attended the public meeting at Charlecote Pheasant and as announced at the meeting an aviation expert has been appointed to review the flying functions at the airfield and establish if there has been a breach of the Memorandum of Understanding and its impact on a CPO.</p> <p>As highlighted at the meeting SDC fulfil a planning role in respect of the airfield and have no control in respect of landlords and tenancy matters. In addition, Jeremy Wright QC MP has set up a meeting with the Secretary of State to discuss the situation of Wellesbourne Airfield with councillors and officers from SDC on Thursday 13th November at Westminster – however this may be subject to change in view of the General Election!</p>				
6	<p>County Councillors' Report</p> <p>The Parish Council noted the content of Cllr Parry's report (previously circulated) which stated:</p> <p>Community Grants A meeting is being held on 4th November to review the second round of applications and details of the awards are expected to be announced in December.</p> <p>Full Council The Warwickshire Youth Justice Service Strategic Plan was approved and in terms of its review and achievements and I can confirm that the level of reoffending for our children and young people has continued to fall with a decrease of 44.3% against the previous year. In Warwickshire 27.3% of our service users reoffend and the YJS Partnership continues to strive to improve these figures further.</p> <p>The number of First Time Entrance in the Youth Justice system has declined by 31.2% in 2018/19 compared to the previous year. Numerically the number of young people from Warwickshire who serve a custodial sentence is numerically very low with just five custodial sentences imposed on four children during 2019/19.</p>				
7	<p>Planning</p>				
	<p>a) New plans to consider</p>				
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19/02950/TREE	Staddle Stones Ashorne Road Ashorne CV35 9DR	-T1 pine - Fell.	No Objection
19/02870/FUL	Land Adjacent To Pinecroft Ashorne	Erection of one self-build, local market dwelling and all associated works	No Objection
<p>b) Decisions of the committee since the last meeting None</p> <p>c) District decisions</p>			
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19/02426/TREE	Tree Works Approved	Wisteria Cottage Ashorne Road Ashorne CV35 9DR	-T1 conifer - Fell. -T2 conifer - Fell.
19/02462/LBP	Listed Build - Prop Lawful Dev Granted	Pipers Cottage Ashorne Warwick CV35 9DR	Replace front door for new timber door with glazed panel and replace 2no. C20 timber windows (front elevation ground floor and side elevation first floor) for new timber single-glazed windows to match existing
<p>d) Other planning matters BT Phone box consultation – BT are planning to remove the public phone in Ashorne. This has only been used 4 times in the last 12 months. After discussion it was agreed that the Parish Council will not object to the removal of the phone but will seek to ‘adopt’ the phone box and electricity supply to be used as a community resource.</p>			
8	Updates on Parish Issues		
<p>a) Allotment Water Bill This has now been escalated to the Consumer Council for Water and we await a response. Action: CP to monitor.</p> <p>b) Lengthsman meeting The Lengthsman has recently resigned and the role is currently being advertised.</p> <p>c) Tree Management The Jubilee tree that was feared dead seems to be recovering. The tree on the green still requires attention. Action: JL to discuss with tree surgeon.</p> <p>d) Village Clock The Parish Council maintains the village clock and it is now time for some upkeep. Action: CP to ask property owner to arrange for quotes and for a PC rep to attend to discuss costs. The annual servicing contract is also drawing to an end. Action: CP to investigate renewal options.</p> <p>e) Bridge Maintenance Work The majority of the work has been completed and the PC expressed their thanks to all those involved, particularly Cllr Bolton and Cllr Wright.</p>			

	<p>Outstanding receipts for the last of the supplies will be submitted at the next meeting.</p> <p>f) Quality Council Accreditation Item deferred to the next meeting.</p> <p>g) Dog Waste Bin Cllr Tranter suggested a new dog bin be considered for near the entrance to the cricket club, specific location to be agreed with SDC and land owner. Action: CP to contact SDC for costs and restrictions and include on agenda for the next meeting. Action: SB to discuss with land owner before the meeting.</p>												
9	Finance												
	<p>a) Approval of Payments The following payments were proposed by Cllr Whyte, seconded by Cllr Tranter and approved unanimously.</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>1.</td> <td>06/11/19</td> <td>C Price - Salary (Sept/Oct)</td> <td>£448.80</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2.</td> <td>06/11/19</td> <td>C Price - Expenses (Sept/Oct)</td> <td>£39.30</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3.</td> <td>06/11/19</td> <td>R Cook - Mowing</td> <td>£80.00</td> </tr> </table> <p>b) Receipts None</p> <p>c) Any other finance issues A draft 20/21 budget will need to be considered at the January meeting in order to agree a figure for next year's precept. Any Councillors wishing to have something included in the budget should let the Clerk know by the end of November if possible.</p>	1.	06/11/19	C Price - Salary (Sept/Oct)	£448.80	2.	06/11/19	C Price - Expenses (Sept/Oct)	£39.30	3.	06/11/19	R Cook - Mowing	£80.00
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10	Any Other Business												
	New internal contact lists were distributed to include the two new Councillors and new photos were taken for the website.												
11	Date of the Next Meeting												
	It was resolved that the next meeting would be held in the Ashorne Village Hall on Wednesday 8 th January 2019 at 7.30PM												

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9:15pm