

Withington Parish Council Meeting
Wednesday 18th November 2020
at 7.30pm via Remote Conference Facility

Minutes

31/2020 Present: Councillors Martin Timmis (Chair) Neil Maxwell, Lesley Stone, Alan Williams, Cllr Lezley Picton, Denise Roscoe (Clerk), and 4 members of the public

32/2020 Welcome: The Chairman welcomed everyone

33/2020 Apologies Cllr Phil Heath and Bernie Jones

34/2020 Declaration of Interest: Cllr Stone declared an interest regarding planning.

35/2020 Approval of the Minutes of 2nd September 2020

The minutes were approved and will be signed by the Chairman at a future date.

36/2020 Public Forum

A new footbridge and stile have been installed on the public footpath at Sunnyfields. It had been agreed between the Shropshire Council footpaths team and Cllr Stone that wire-netting would be fitted to the footbridge so that it would not be so slippery, unfortunately this has not been done yet. It was also suggested that a handrail could be fitted to the footbridge. **Action: Cllr Stone** to contact Helen Beresford at Shropshire Council footpaths team. Any complaints/queries regarding footpaths should be made to Shropshire Council.

Flooding of land near 2/3 Sunnyfields. The pool has been dredged by the new landowner and plans are being made to address the drainage across the fields. The dredging should help with the flooding of the village green and the drainage of the land behind Woodlands close.

37/2020 Report from Cllr Lezley Picton

Report attached to minutes. The road sign at Park Farm and the Rodington sign are scheduled to be replaced week beginning 30/11/20. The free trees on offer from Shropshire Council have now sold out arrangements for another batch are being made.

38/2020 Updates from Previous Meetings

Lamp Post Poppies: Jon Scutt volunteered to take down the poppies and repair any that are broken. Thanks, were given to Jon for the repairs that have already made.

Ron Coulson Memorial: It has been agreed that the sign should say "Coulson Gate" the village green Chairman (Wayne Thomas) was asked to look for a style of sign that doesn't look like an official road sign.

Large Agricultural Vehicles: Clerk is waiting for an invitation from Shropshire Council to attend either the stakeholder or reference groups

Minutes confirmed as correct _____ 2020 _____

Chairman

39/2020 Finance Report

Approval of Accounts to date for the Parish Council and the Village Green

**WITHINGTON PARISH COUNCIL
FINANCIAL STATEMENT
As at 18 November 2020**

Parish Council (Incl Defibrillator Funds)		Village Green	
Brought Forward from 1/09/20	£3,899.34	Brought Forward from 1/09/20	£7,927.25
Receipts since 1/09/20	£59.02	Receipts since 1/09/20	£199.00
Wayleave	£59.02	Friends of the Green (2020)	£199.00
Payments Approved - 1/09/20	£0.00	Payments Approved - 22/07/20	£0.00
None		None	
Payments made since 1/09/20 for approval	£613.51	Payments made since 22/07/20 for approval	£114.00
Clerks Salary (Sept 20)	£525.52	D Roscoe (Mower Insurance)	£114.00
P Heath (Expenses)	£20.00		
D Malley (Payroll 2nd Half)	£50.00		
M Timmis (Web Hosting)	£17.99		
Balance Carried Forward to 18/11/2020	£3,344.85	Balance Carried Forward to 18/11/2020	£8,012.25
Payments for approval - 18/11/2020		Payments for approval - 18/11/2020	
None		None	
Authorisation to pay the following if within budget amount:		Authorisation to pay the following if within budget amount:	
		Lawn Mower Maintenance	
		Hedge Cutting	

Payments Approved at the Meeting for Both Accounts

All payments made since 22/07/20

£50.00	D Malley (Payroll) 2 nd half
£525.52	Clerks Salary (Sept 20)
£20.00	P Heath (Expenses)
£17.99	M Timmis (web hosting)
£114.00	D Roscoe (Lawn Mower Ins)

40/2020 Planning

Blandings:

Planning has been granted to move the garage to the Northern boundary however, the garage will be single storey.

In reply to the Parish Council's complaint regarding the removal of the wall. Shropshire Council explained that the wall that has been removed is not considered to have heritage value as opposed to the North Western portion of the wall which is of an older more traditional construction.

41/2020 Village Green Committee Report

Report from Village Green Chairman Wayne Thomas:

- The bonfire site on the green needs to be cleared and re-seeded.
- One of the posts on the fence, where the notice boards are, needs to be replaced. There are also shrubs and trees in a neighbouring garden that need to be cut back from the fence. Wayne asked for volunteers to form a working party.
- There was a request made for the hedging, in front of the noticeboards, to be cut down or tidied up.
- The Christmas tree on the green is now large enough for lights. Action: Wayne to source lights and electric supply.

42/2020 Date of Next Parish Council Meeting – Wednesday 6th January 2021

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Chairman