

BROOKTHORPE WITH WHADDON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE REMOTE MEETING HELD ON 7th JULY 2020

PRESENT

Messrs J Hendry [Chairman], D Kaspar, Paul Gaze, Rhodri Rhys, Mrs Lynda King, Mrs A Szabo [Parish Clerk] and 3 members of the public.

20/070 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no other apologies given for absence.

20/071 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 2nd June were agreed and signed as a true record.

20/072 MATTERS ARISING

Upton Lane

a) Lorry activities due to Winnycroft Farm, The Clerk was asked to investigate the Traffic Plan and conditions surrounding planning consent.

b) Weight restriction signage. This matter is ongoing with Cllrs Paul Gaze and Lynda King taking actions.

Parishioners Details – clarification on this matter had been obtained and letters had gone out to parishioners. The Clerk is building a database of contact details and will forward information in future.

Outstanding signing of documents – The Clerk confirmed that all outstanding minutes and financial documents have now been signed by the Chairman.

20/073 MEMBERS' DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

Cllr Paul Gaze declared his interest in item 11 on the Agenda as he is reimbursed for materials used in the refurbishment of the 'phone box.

There were no other declarations of interest to items on the agenda.

20/074 FINANCE

a) Cheques for signature – Councillors confirmed that they had agreed the schedule of essential payments July – October as circulated, due to COVID-19.

b) Budget Control – Councillors agreed and had no questions about the circulated accounts statement April – July.

c) Clerk's Pension re-declaration compliance – The Clerk notified that this was underway and there would be no payments to be made by the Council.

20/075 ASSET AND DEFIBRILLATOR REPORT

The Clerk reported that this had been carried out. New pads were on order for the defibrillators at the Village Hall and Church Lane. Apart from the need to trim around the bench on Whaddon Green in the near future, there were no concerns regarding the remaining assets. Mr Hibbert volunteered to trim around the bench.

20/076 PHONE BOX REFURBISHMENT

Mr Hibbert reported that the 'phone box has been relocated and the previous site had been made good. The Electrics were now installed, and glass removed. The original paint has been stripped. All new parts have been delivered. Once the refurbishment is complete the defibrillator will be relocated and shelves installed for a book swap. It is hoped that this will be finished by the end of August.

20/078 VILLAGE HALL REOPENING

Mr Hibbert (Chairman of the Village Hall Committee) reported that due to restrictions and advice the hall is unlikely to open before October.

20/079 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Clerk reminded Councillors that new interest forms must be sent to Stroud District Council by the end of July.

20/080 INFORMATION FOR COUNCILLORS

There was no further information to pass onto Councillors

20/081 COUNCILLORS QUESTIONS

a) Land South of Naas Farmhouse – Concerns were raised as to the use of this land and the possible need for formal change of use. The Clerk was asked to investigate.

b) Old Forge Green – The Clerk was asked to follow up on concerns with regard to parking around the garage.

c) Hedges – The Clerk was asked to follow up on concerns with regard to overgrown hedges along Stroud Road.

20/082 QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no further questions from the public.

20/083 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 1st September starting at 8pm remotely through zoom.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.24 pm

Chairman

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