

# BROOKTHORPE WITH WHADDON PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF THE REMOTE MEETING HELD ON 12th MAY 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.

### 20/047 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Keith Rippington [County Councillor].

There were no other apologies given for absence.

### 20/048 QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Public Rights of Way – Mr Nigel Bone reported that there were some issues regarding paths within the Parish. The Clerk requested details so that she could follow this up. It was agreed to forward.

Telephone Box – Mr Eric Hibbert reported that due to Covid19 this was on hold but ready to complete once regulations regarding social distancing allowed.

‘Bus Shelters – Mr E Hibbert reported that he was able to carry out preservation treatment to the timber shelters. This was agreed to at a cost of £240.

VE Day Celebrations – Mr Hibbert reported that it was planned to hold joint VE and VJ celebrations on 15<sup>th</sup> August.

### 20/049 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> March were agreed and signed as a true record.

### 20/050 MATTERS ARISING

a) Hillmead Footpaths – The Clerk informed the Council that both of these paths should be resurfaced in the next month or so. Daniel Tiffney and Cllr Keith Rippington have agreed that £6,000 of the County Councillor allocation for Parishes, will be used so that the second path can be completed. Cllr Keith Rippington had been thanked for his help in this matter.

### 20/051 MEMBERS' DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

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

### 20/052 ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

It was proposed by Cllr Paul Gaze and seconded by Cllr Lynda King that Cllr Rhodri Rhys be elected to this position. Rhodri Rhys accepted and was duly elected as Vice-Chairman.

### 20/053 SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDER 1a

It was formally agreed to suspend this Standing Order stating that the Parish Council will meet on the first Tuesday of each month at Brookthorpe Village Hall as due to Covid-19 the Council will meet remotely as needed.

### 20/054 FINANCE

a) Schedule of essential cheques for agreement were formally sanctioned by Councillors in line with Email correspondence at the end of March.

b) End or Year Accounts – The circulated accounts were agreed by the Council as a true representation of the Council's finances for the year 2019/2020. These were agreed remotely, to be signed at the next face to face meeting.

c) External Audit – The Clerk reported that the Council would be subject to the External Audit for Larger Councils with Income or Expenditure over £25,000, our Expenditure being £27,200.53 will be implemented.

### 20/055 PLANNING

Council's response to Screening request at Court Farm Whaddon – Councillors agreed a circulated response prepared by Cllr Rhodri Rhys with slight alterations to the final paragraph.

### 20/056 THANK YOU

The Council recognised and thanked Nigel Bone for his massive contribution in keeping the Parish notified at this time.

### 20/057 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June starting at 8pm remotely through zoom.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.42 pm

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