

BROOKTHORPE WITH WHADDON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE REMOTE MEETING HELD ON 1st SEPTEMBER 2020

PRESENT

Messrs J Hendry [Chairman], D Kaspar, Paul Gaze, Rhodri Rhys, Mrs Lynda King, Mrs A Szabo [Parish Clerk] and 2 members of the public.

20/070 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Dave Mossman [Stroud District Councillor]

There were no other apologies given for absence.

20/071 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 7th July were agreed and signed as a true record, subject to the addition of the decision to replace the memorial bench in St Swithun's Churchyard.

20/072 MATTERS ARISING

Upton Lane

a) Lorry activities connected with Winnycroft Farm; The Clerk stated that this investigation was still ongoing.

b) Weight restriction signage. This matter is ongoing. The Clerk was asked to now take the lead in chasing this matter up with Daniel Tiffney from County Highways.

Overgrown Hedges – The Clerk stated that she was waiting for details regarding the hedges before action can be taken.

c) Memorial Bench at St Swithun's Churchyard– This matter is ongoing with Cllr Paul Gaze investigating.

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

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

20/074 FINANCE

a) Cheques for signature – Councillors confirmed that cheques should be written in line with the schedule of essential payments July – October as circulated, due to COVID-19.

b) Internal Audit – It was agreed that this could now go ahead with considerations for COVID-19 in place. Cllr Paul Gaze agreed to carry out the Audits for 2020/21.

20/000 PLANNING

a) Planning Applications for consideration

S.20/1558/FUL	Brookthorpe Court, Stroud Road, Brookthorpe	Demolition of garage, conversion of stable and construction of dayroom (amendment to roof material)
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Cllrs had **no objections** to this application.

S.20/1559/LBC	Brookthorpe Court, Stroud Road, Brookthorpe	Demolition of garage, conversion of stable and construction of dayroom (amendment to roof material)
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Cllrs had **no objections** to this application.

S.20/1620/HHOLD	2 Church Cottages, Church Lane, Whaddon	Replace conservatory with garden room.
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Cllrs had **no objections** to this application.

20/00396/FUL	Land South of Grange Road,	Amendments to application approved (Gloucester City Council)
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Cllrs had **objections** to this application on the grounds that it is felt that there should be no reduction to the affordable housing numbers.

b) Gloucester City Council Open Space Strategy (consultation)

Cllrs had no comment on this consultation.

c) National changes to the planning process. NALC consultation

Cllrs felt that they were unable to comment on this consultation due to it being aimed at qualified professional consultees such as planners and architects.

The Clerk was asked to write requesting that these consultations be written at an appropriate level for Parish Councils.

20/076 PHONE BOX REFURBISHMENT

Mr Hibbert reported that the painting of the phone box has been completed. The glazing and the fitting out should be completed by the end of September.

20/079 LAND SOUTH OF NAAS FARMHOUSE

It was reported by Cllr Rhodri Rhys that this has now been satisfactorily resolved.

20/000 LOCAL DOG THEFTS

Cllrs felt that there was nothing that the Parish Council could do about the spate in dog thefts as this was a national problem at the moment.

20/000 GAPTC CALL FOR RESOLUTIONS

It was asked that it be put forward that national consultations be written in a language that can be understood by non-professionals at a local level.

20/080 INFORMATION FOR COUNCILLORS

The Chairman notified the Council about recent communications about the proposal to build at Whaddon. It was agreed to invite those parishioners who have expressed an interest, to a zoom meeting on 8th September at 8pm, to discuss the Parish Council response to the EIA Scoping Request. It was reported that loud shooting had been heard in the Upton Lane area. Source unknown.

Concern was recorded about the number of speeding vehicles racing along Upton Lane.

There was no further information to pass on to Councillors.

Concern was raised about the Mustang Day held recently at Fagin’s Public House, with the levels of noise and speeding vehicles.

20/082 QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

It was noted that there appear to be vehicles for sale on Old Forge Green and that this should be stopped.

The Council was asked to consider some sort of memorial to Chris and Elizabeth Brent-Smith. The Clerk was asked to put this item on the Agenda for October.

There were no further questions or comments from the public.

20/083 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 6th October starting at 8pm remotely through zoom.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.00 pm.

Chairman

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