# Parish Council Meeting - Minutes

Recorded by:  Amanda Rossiter, Parish Clerk

Date: 1st February 2021

Meeting Commenced: 19:30

Meeting ended: 20:45

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| Present: | Mr Ken Brown (Chair)Mr K LarkinMr D PalmerMr R SymonsMrs J BurtonMr J Hay |
| District Councillors: | Mr K TuckerMrs C BraunMr G James |
| County Councillor: | Dr J Cordwell |
| Clerk: | Miss A Rossiter |
| Other: | 14 members of the public |

**Items**

1. To receive and accept any apologies for absence

1.a. To welcome new Councillor, John Hay and note that declaration of acceptance of office has been signed and witnessed by the proper officer

Apologies from Cllr Purnell received and accepted

1. To invite and receive any declarations of interest

None received

1. To receive and approve the minutes of the council’s January 2021 meeting

(Previous minutes are available to view on the Parish Council website)

All agreed

1. To note any matters arising from the meeting held in January and not covered by agenda items (item for information only - covered in clerk's written update)

No comments on report

1. Meeting for public discussion and questions

(Open to members of the public to raise issues)

Meeting opened to public:

* Cllr Braun and Member of Public (MoP) reported that the Neighbourhood Management Officer has said that SDC wont maintain the fruit trees discussed in January's PC meeting (Item 10). Unless they are locally managed, SDC have said that they must be removed.

MoP would like to leave them for the benefit of the village to use the "orchard" and therefore is requesting that the community agree to maintain the trees. It was proposed and agreed that the clerk will post a comment on the PC Facebook page to advise of MoP's plans for the trees.

It was noted that SDC are still responsible for the land and also the grass cutting responsibility of the verge.

* Some members of the public raised concerns over the application for development of houses (Agenda Item 6).

- Why has PC not done neighbourhood development plan?

- How does the council feel about the Highways part of this application, and will the council support if Highways object?

- How will the council discuss with the public in time to meet response deadline?

- Why is the application being considered when the site was previously assessed and rejected?

Responses:

- Council discussed the history of discussion over Neighbourhood development plans and explained why the council chose not to proceed with one, at that time

- Council confirmed that they were not in a position to say what will be agreed as the application has not been formally discussed/considered yet

- Council confirmed that an extension to the response deadline has been agreed by SDC, currently, the 4th March

- Council advised that there will be a separate public meeting on the 15th February to allow the public to discuss their views on the application. No decisions will be made at this meeting

- The SALA submission which was rejected in 2019 did not relate specifically to a Rural Exception Site proposal which are dealt with under Local Plan Policy HC4 not SALA . This was the subject of a separate 2018 report by Stroud planners. In any event the 2019’SALA submission covered a substantially greater area and is not comparable

1. To consider and comment upon the following planning application(s) / appeal(s):
2. S.20/2678/FUL | Development of 16 dwellings comprising of both open market and affordable tenure along with the provision of associated infrastructure and an ecological corridor | Land To The West Of Wotton Road North Nibley Gloucestershire

Council agreed as previously mentioned that a public meeting will be held via zoom on the 15th February to discuss this application. Clerk to invite the applicant and Highways to provide representation at the meeting

1. The council to note the following planning application decision(s) / enforcement decision(s)
2. NS.20/2350/HHOLD | Rear single-story extension & fabric improvement to former garage building. | Underwood House 11 Barrs Lane North Nibley Dursley Gloucestershire GL11 6DT - **Permission Granted**

Item noted

1. To note actions taken to prepare for the B4060 road closure on the 16th February 2021

 Council has a site visit arranged with Mick Gallivan, programme manager to discuss placement and wording of diversion signs

1. To note and agree timetable for policy review and update

Council noted receipt of timetable from clerk and agreed that priority for March review will be those required for audit

1. Parish council finances
2. To agree and pay clerk's wages 7th Dec - 3rd Jan (£468.60) - Agreed (Local Government Act 1972, S112 (2) (2A) )
3. To agree and pay clerk's training fees - SLCC CiLCA registration (£410) - Agreed (Local Government Act 1972, S112 (2))
4. To agree and pay contribution to neighbourhood warden service - Agreed to pay an amount of £100. (Local Government Act 1972, Section 137 (1)) *Clerk to find out who to make cheque payable to*
5. To agree bank reconciliation - Agreed (The Accounts and Audit (England) Regulations 2011 S.5)
6. To agree usage of GAPTC to complete internal audit - Agreed (The Accounts and Audit (England) Regulations 2011 S.6)
7. To review TW Hawkins 2021 quote for maintenance and agree action - Council confirmed that the increase of 3% was reasonable - Agreed (Local Government Act 1972, S214)
8. To agree and pay Waterplus invoice (£70.15) - Agreed (Local Government Act 1972, S214) Clerk to chase Waterplus for the breakdown previously requested
9. To receive a cheque from Western Power Distribution in payment of Wayleaves (£4.63) - Noted
10. To agree and pay Garden Supplies Invoice for works carried out at cemetery (£306) - Agreed (Local Government Act 1972, S214)
11. The Council to receive the following reports from councillors.
	1. Verbal reports from parish councillors

- Drain outside two mile house blocked

- Wood Lane gully blocked

- Parking outside cemetery still a concern, also potential breach of covid19 restrictions

- Speed issues - FONNS have put together a petition to reduce to the speed limit to 20

* 1. Written report from district councillors

Council confirmed receipt and thanked district councillors

* 1. Written report from county councillor

Council confirmed receipt and thanked county councillor

1. The council to receive and approve a written cemetery report

Council confirmed receipt and noted no actions / agreement required this month

1. To receive for information details of any correspondence received (written report supplied by clerk)

Council confirmed receipt of report and commented on request to volunteer as part of DofE award. Clerk to obtain permissions and further information

The next Meeting of the Parish Council will be on Monday 1st March 2021 via Zoom