



FINSTALL PARISH COUNCIL

Ref: 08/21 P.1223

MINUTES of the ORDINARY MEETING of FINSTALL PARISH COUNCIL held on Tuesday 3rd August 2021 at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall

A ten minute period was set aside before the meeting commenced for Public Participation. No members of the public attended.

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Those present were:

Chairman Cllr Will Taylor, Cllr Christine Orr-Cooper, Cllr Hewer, Cllr Spencer and Cllr Rosemarie Ryan.

Also in attendance:

Sarah Whittaker, the Clerk and PCSO Halward -Smith from the neighbourhood policing team.

1. APOLOGIES

Cllr Wendy Molloy and Cllr Malcolm Molloy sent their apologies due to self-isolation. The apologies were accepted by the council.

2. MINUTES REFERENCE 06/21 P.1220-1222

Minutes recording the meeting held on Monday 5th July 2021 as circulated were taken as read, approved and signed.

Resolved. All members present, were in favour.

3. DECLARATION OF INTEREST:

There were no declarations of interest.

4. PROGRESS REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

- a). Thanks was passed onto Cllr Spencer for her assistance in the removal of the commercial signs on Heydon Road.
- b.) Jackie Boreham at BDC had responded to the email saying that due to a large number of staff being off self-isolating they were just managing to maintain essential services. The team will review the play equipment quotes in September.

Resolved: All other progress reports were noted.

5. CORRESPONDENCE.

d.) Cllr Hewer has checked and there are signs at various sites already stating the 7.5 tonnes weight limit. There isn't one on the Copyholt Lane side towards the village. The Chairman also noted that the wooden barrier by the bridge on Upper Gambolds Lane is no longer there. **Action Point 1 Clerk to query with Cllr Kit Taylor as a member of the highways team the purpose of the new weight limit. Alongside querying the removed wooden barrier by the bridge.**

All other correspondence reports were noted.

6 FINSTALL FOCUS

It was agreed that a new edition of the Finstall Focus should be produced for distribution in September. It was agreed that the following items would be included:

- Information for 'Neighbourhood Matters'
- Chairman Jottings.
- Information on reporting flytipping.
- Dates of future meetings.
- Monarch Way noticeboard include some information and pictures
- Tales from the Churchyard.

Action Point 2 Cllr Hewer to forward Tales from the Churchyard detailing local stories and memories including the stories of local war graves at St Godwalds to the Clerk for inclusion, as well as the Chairman forwarding on his Chairman's Jottings.

7. PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

None to date

Planning Approvals:

Grant of Householder Planning Permission Subject to Conditions

APPLICATION: 21/00718/FUL

LOCATION: 73 Finstall Road, Bromsgrove, Worcestershire, B60 3DF

PROPOSAL: Alterations and extensions to include: raising height of roof, front dormer, loft conversion, two storey rear extension and a single storey side extension

DECISION DATE: 15th July 2021

The decision was noted.

Planning Refusals: None to date

8 FINANCE

a.) Interest Money Manager Account 0.01

0.01

b.) It was proposed by Cllr Spencer and seconded by Cllr Orr-Cooper to make the following payments:

S. Whittaker – July Salary	220.00
Three Counties Payroll (DD)	14.04
S. Skeys May Invoice	209.25

£404.24

C.) The bank reconciliation for June 2021 was noted.

D.) The VAT return for the 2020/2021 financial year was noted.

Some discussion took place regarding the reserves. There were plans for the new playground equipment and purchase of another speeding device. **Action Point 3 Clerk to add budget review as an agenda item for September.**

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Resolved: The next meeting will be an Ordinary Meeting of Fininstall Parish Council to commence at 7.30pm on Tuesday 7th September 2021 in the Village Hall.

10. OTHER MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION ONLY -

Cllr Hewer reported there was a lot of debris on Fininstall Road and there were concerns that any future rain would cause flooding.

Action Point 4 Clerk to request Lengthsman to clear the top of drains on the Finstall Road nearest the Churchyard.

Sandstone wall by Bromsgrove Rugby Club looks to be in need of repair as there are some large holes. The Chairman had previously had difficulties determining who owned the wall. Cllr Orr-Cooper suggested checking the land registry to determine who owns the land. **Action Point 5 – Clerk to check Land Registry & report back to the council.**

Cllr Spencer noted that the Heydon Road sign was looking very tired and in need of a replacement. It was agreed that Cllr Spencer would query a replacement with Bromsgrove District Council as well as a replacement for the Penmanor sign on the green.

PCSO Halward- Smith reported on recent crime reports in the area. There were two anti-social behaviour reports at Penmanor for smoking cannabis. Patrols had increased on Friday and Saturday nights as this is a key time. Police team had engaged with teenagers frequenting the park but there was no sign of any anti-social behaviour when the neighbourhood team attended the area.

Regarding speeding issues PCSO Halward-Smith requested where the main areas of concern were in the village. Mobile hand guns can't be used on the Finstall Road due to the speeding truck but patrols with the mobile devices could take place on the Alcester Road

A community speed watch can also be set up to allow members of the public to use mobile handheld devices to gather data and take registration numbers, but no enforcement can take place. Information about this can be included in the Finstall Focus. Last year there were 17 speeding tickets issued in the summer period locally. **Action Point 5 Include Community Speedwatch information in the next Finstall Focus to assess local interest.**

It was agreed to put the neighbourhood policing team report as a regular agenda item, early on in the meetings to allow the team to leave earlier if required.

Cllr Hewer informed the council about a historic resident Phillip Green who was the architect who designed the village hall; it is his painting which hangs in the hall. One of his descendants is going to do a write up on the history of his artwork which is displayed at the village hall.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8:10pm.

Signed.....
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