

# Hill & Moor Parish Council

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## Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting

held by video-conference on

**Thursday 4th March 2021 at 7pm**

Present: Cllrs T. Betteridge, P. Jeanes, Mrs A. Jeanes, D. Saunders and Mrs P. Stone

Also present: J. Adams, Clerk; County and District Cllr L. Tucker

- 1. Apologies:** There were none.
- 2. Declarations of Interest:** There were none.

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*The meeting was adjourned for Public Question Time  
Notes can be found at the end of these minutes.*

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- 3. Minutes:** It was agreed that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting of the 21st January 2021 were a true and accurate record.
- 4. District and County Councillors reports:** Cllr Tucker reported that she would not be standing in the County Council elections in May; the parish councillors were sorry to hear that. She would continue to represent the area at District level.

Highways matters: There was no update to the repair of the culvert at Hill. The recent works carried out had clearly made no difference as the corner flooded as badly as previously.

A44 ditch: the way forward on this depended on if it could be ascertained whether the Hill and Moor Meadows system was functioning properly. Cllr Jeanes noted that the EA has suggested the most workable solution would be to get the site onto mains drainage, although this was down to the site owner to do. The Wychavon Land Drainage officer had said that dye could be put into the ditch to see which way the water was flowing. Another problem was the sewerage plant in Bridge Street. A long-term solution might be a new pumping station rather a sewage treatment works but this would be a few years off.

There was no update on the unauthorised parking of HGVs at Hill and Moor Meadows. More had now arrived.

- 5. Parish Councillors reports:**
  - Cllr Jeanes had spoken to council officers about the Boggs Lane ditch. He had suggested a kerb be installed on the house side, but WCC officers did not appear keen on this. The pipe across the ditch supplied electricity to two properties in the lane and WPD would re-route this when the water level was lower in summer.
  - Cllr Stone reported that the residents of Back Way had arranged for the overgrowing hedge to be cut back to recover the sightline at the junction.

- 6. Progress reports**

- a) Review of actions from previous meeting: The action points were reviewed.

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- b) Playing Field and mowing: The mole repelling bulbs had been planted; more would be purchased. Following the repairs to the mower, pictures of the old blades had been circulated to highlight the damage. Cllr P. Jeanes and the mowing volunteers would soon be planning their first cut. In the meantime, the field had looked tidy over winter due to their efforts.
- c) Play area: The inspection had been booked and would take place within the month. The tops of some of the play area fence posts were quite split and rotten; Cllr P. Jeanes would cut off the jagged sections.
- d) Flood / Drainage: Discussed at item 4 and 5.
- e) Footpaths: Nothing to report.
- f) Village Hall and Events Group (VHEG): The Village Hall would be used as a polling station in May for the County Council elections and Police and Crime Commissioner elections.
- g) Landfill Site: A recent meeting had taken place.
- h) Lengthsman: Nothing to report.
- i) Newsletter: The next newsletter was now planned for circulation in early May. Items would be discussed at the next meeting.
- j) PACT: The next meeting was mooted for the 20<sup>th</sup> April or thereabouts; Cllr P. Jeanes would attend.
- k) Urgent Decisions Group: Nothing to report.

## 7. Planning

### a) New planning applications

Application Number	Address concerned	Description of works
21/00073/FUL	Plot 1, Bridge Street, Lower Moor	Amended house, garage and access design following planning permission 19/00869/FUL (erection of 2no. 4 bedroom houses and garages together with new access arrangements and ancillary works)
21/00175/HP	Robins, Salters Lane, Lower Moor, Fladbury, Pershore, WR10 2PQ	Erection of 2-storey side extension
21/00071/FUL	Plot 3 Bridge Street Lower Moor	Amended house, northern boundary and garage design following planning permission 17/01298/FUL (two dwellings and detached garages)
21/00072/FUL	Plot 2 Bridge Street Lower Moor	Amended house, northern boundary and garage design following planning permission 17/01298/FUL (two dwellings and detached garages)

The Council had no objection to any of the applications.

### b) To receive Decision Notices:

Application Number	Address concerned	Description of works	HMPC Response	WDC Decision
20/02753/HP	Whites Orchard, Salters Lane, Lower Moor, WR10 2PD	First floor rear extension	No objection	Approved

- c) **To note or discuss Planning Correspondence, Information and Issues:** Cllr Betteridge and Jeanes reported from the recent meeting about the Throckmorton proposal. A response to the various aspects of the Sustainability Appraisal document was in progress and the group were keen to hear

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from members of the community qualified in the social and economic aspects. The aim was to demonstrate that the location at Throckmorton was not suitable for development on sustainability grounds. The next major milestone after the current consultation was in October, at which both previous responses would need to be drawn upon. The next meeting would in two weeks' time.

## 8. Finance:

a) To report on the financial situation of the Parish Council and to approve payments.

Income since last report			
Date	Received from	Details	Total £
11/01/2021	Lloyds Bank	Bank Interest - Jan	0.18
10/02/2021	WCC	L/man reimbursement Aug/Sept '20	336.00
09/02/2021	Lloyds Bank	Bank Interest - Feb	0.16
24/02/2021	WCC	L/man reimbursement End Sept+Oct20	336.00

Payments for approval			
Inv. Date	Payee	Detail	£ inc VAT
22/12/2020	P. Jeanes	Defibrillator pads	73.80
31/12/2020	HMRC	PAYE Q3 2020/21	171.20
05/01/2021	Eon	Playing field supply 13/12/20 - 05/01/21	13.05
08/01/2021	Shaun Strange Gardens	Open Spaces maint. 08/01/20	48.00
09/01/2021	Shaun Strange Gardens	Lengthsman Dec 20/1st wk Jan '21	224.00
12/01/2021	Smart Cut	Blacksmiths Lane hedges	76.38
31/01/2021	J. Adams	Salary Jan '21	253.71
31/01/2021	J. Adams	Phone/computer Jan '21	17.50
31/01/2021	WCC	Pension contributions Jan 21 (HMPC £85.17)	104.69
02/02/2021	Eon	Playing field supply 5/01/21 - 2/02/21	15.10
10/02/2021	P. Jeanes	Anti-mole bulbs	15.99
11/02/2021	Ron Smith Ltd	Mower service and repair	719.85
28/02/2021	J. Adams	Salary Feb '21	253.71
28/02/2021	J. Adams	Phone/computer Feb '21	17.50
28/02/2021	WCC	Pension contributions Feb 20 (HMPC £85.17)	104.69

Current account - Lloyds - A/c 01865441

**Balance as at 25/02/21** 11,439.68

Savings account - Lloyds - A/c 07578509

**Balance as at 25/02/21** 20,401.00

**Total cash assets** **31,840.68**

Ringfenced	
Flood alleviation	10,000.00

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CIL	0.00
Grant funds	Village Hall improvements 5,531.55
Bonfire funds	1,272.60
<b>Total Ringfenced</b>	<b>16,804.15</b>

<u>Earmarked Reserves</u>	
Asset Maintenance / Replacement /Disposal	2,000.00
Purchase Asset	0.00
<b>Total Earmarked Reserves</b>	<b>2,000.00</b>

## **General Reserve**

**13,036.53**

**(Total cash assets less Ringfenced funds and Earmarked Reserves)**

**Lengthsman Expenditure** to date including items on this document: £1,496.83 from a £1,937 budget.

Total of the **Open Spaces maintenance** items on this sheet: £48.00, which would make total expenditure for this budget £2,540.28 from an annual budget of £4000.

- b) To discuss a council debit card: It was agreed to make an application for a debit card for the council's use. Cllr Betteridge, Jeanes and the clerk would be cardholders.

- 9. To discuss the creation of a new Public Right of Way in Maytree Road:** The issue concerned a footpath between Maytree Road and the A44. The public right of way shown on the Definitive Map passed through private property on Maytree Road and then ran parallel with a permissive path, only joining the official path near to the A44 end. The permissive path was the only route that was used by the public and was well-defined. However, it suffered from frequent littering, and bonfires had been lit along it which now needed filling in. There were concerns that the county council would not take action to restore the path because it was not the official right of way. If this was the case, then steps would have to be taken to reroute the official path to the location of the used path or otherwise create a new official path. In the meantime, the District Council did come and clean up the permissive path when required. The council decided that comment would be awaited from WCC and if there was a problem, to further investigate the options.
- 10. To discuss CCTV for the playing field:** The item was back on the agenda following damage to another one of the lights on the field. The council discussed the issues; a CCTV system could act as a deterrent, but would it help in the event of further vandalism? The four-camera system (approximately £6,000) was a possibility and there was the option to start off with a camera on the Village Hall and add to this if it looked to be worthwhile. The Village Hall Committee was receptive to the idea of CCTV on the building, and an alarm system. Cllr Stone would circulate a questionnaire around the Hall committee members to see if this was supported, and if it could be moved forwards.

## **11. Correspondence for Information**

The following correspondence had been received and circulated:

- Notification of two road closures at Hill Furze (these had now happened).
- Crime report from West Mercia Police for Jan '21 – there had been no relevant crimes.
- Slides from the SWDP Sustainability briefing.

## **12. Clerk's report**

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- A letter had been sent to WMAS regarding the confusion surrounding the use of the defibrillator in December.
- Guidance was awaited on when face to face council meetings could take place once again and whether permission for virtual meetings would continue after the 7<sup>th</sup> May.
- The clerk was booked onto a briefing for the financial end-of-year procedures for the new software.

**13. Summary of Councillors' agreed actions:** Cllr A. Jeanes would circulate the list round in due course.

**14. Date of next meeting and items for next agenda:** Thursday 1st April 2021. Cllr Stone sent apologies. Items for next agenda: Newsletter

The meeting was closed at 9.10pm.

## Public Questions

A resident of Upper Moor attended the meeting to ask if the verge and hedges at Upper Moor could be managed in such a way to support pollinators. A discussion ensued. The verges in the location were mainly cut by the county council and the hedges would be the responsibility of the landowners of the adjacent field. In this case, the hedge was owned by the church but leased to a local farmer. Some of the neighbouring Wyre Piddle councillors had initiated schemes to support pollinators, and Cllr Tucker would put the enquirer in touch with them.