



FINSTALL PARISH COUNCIL

Ref: 01/21 P.1214

MINUTES of the ORDINARY MEETING of FINSTALL PARISH COUNCIL held on Tuesday 1st June 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 Norman Hewer and Cllr Caroline Spencer.

Also in attendance:

Sarah Whittaker, the Clerk and PC Christopher Burns from the neighbourhood team.

1. APOLOGIES

Cllr Orr- Cooper and Cllr W Molloy due to illness, Cllr M Molloy due to work commitments. The apologies were accepted by the council.

2. MINUTES REFERENCE 05/21 P.1213-1216

Minutes recording the meeting held on 11th May 2019 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

Resolved: The progress reports were noted.

5. CORRESPONDENCE.

Cllr Hewer asked about the recent Worcestershire CALC update, which highlighted what parish councils are doing for young people. Cllr Hewer explained that work is undertaken by the district council rather than the parish councils but the work is taking place.

The noticeboard had been installed by the footpath warden on Friday and was well attended by members of the parish.

Resolved: The correspondence reports were noted.

6. INTERNAL AUDITORS REPORT

The improvement opportunities were noted.

7. ANNUAL GOVERNANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY RETURN

The Annual governance and accountability and exemption certificate was approved and signed by the Chairman.

8. PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

None to report

9. FINANCE

- a.) Interest Money Manager Account
BDC Precept

0.01
4120.00

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

S. Whittaker – May Salary & expenses (stamps)	227.20
HMRC May PAYE	3.00
Three Counties Payroll (DD)	14.04
S. Skeys April Invoice	Awaiting Invoice
DKE Audit Services Invoice	160.00
BHIB Insurance	495.02

£899.26

- c.) The bank reconciliation for April 2021 was noted.

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Resolved: The next meeting will be an Ordinary Meeting of Fininstall Parish Council to commence at 7.30pm on Tuesday 6th July 2021 in the Village Hall.

11. OTHER MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION ONLY -

PC Burns kindly attended the meeting. He reported only one crime had been registered in the parish since January 2021 which was theft of a trailer on

Finstall Road. Crime is relatively low due to the affluence of the area and high levels of home security. Crime is often undertaken by travelling criminals.

The Chairman queried foot patrols in the village. At present there are two PCSO's supporting PC Burns, however they are covering a large area with minimal resources. There are patrols at least weekly. PC Burns has great local knowledge which is of huge benefit to the parish. The Chairman raised the issue if there had been an increase in dog thefts due to alerts on local social media, PC Burns confirmed that there was only one report of an attempted dog theft recently.

Cllr Caroline Spencer asked about the amount of new police officers entering the force. PC Burns confirmed that there were some new officers in the neighbourhood team. The police team were easier to access due to increased technology such as laptops and phones, enabling police staff to complete paperwork in the community rather than having to attend the station.

Cllr Caroline Spencer reported that at the end of July, Worcestershire County Council are amending the road near the Co-op in Aston Fields for ease of deliveries to relieve problems for traffic when deliveries arrive. There will be four-way lights whilst the work takes place, estimated to last around one week.

Cllr Hewer reported that a large flood had taken place on the Finstall Road following the recent wet weather. Cllr Hewer had brushed the road. Cllr Caroline Spencer was on a local task group who had raised the need for the drains to be cleared locally more frequently.

Cllr Hewer announced that it was national 'Love your burial ground week' commencing next week. On 9th June at 7:30pm and Saturday 12th June at 10:00am, Cllr Hewer will be conducting a walk of the churchyard at St Godwalds.

The chairman raised the possibility of citing another speed detector at the other end of the village, rather than moving the current device. If a device could be cited at the crossroads by Heydon Road it could be moved to face both roads at different times. It was agreed to raise the possibility of purchasing a new device as an agenda item at the next meeting. It was also raised if the local authority speed van could be moved to a different part of the village. Cllr Caroline Spencer requested a site visit with Richard Clewer.

The Chairman asked if Cllr Spencer could contact Jackie Boreham about installing the play equipment and discussing what play equipment would be suitable. It was agreed that Cllr Caroline Spencer would pass on the Chairman's contact details.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8:45pm

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