Ref: 11/21 P. 1234

# MINUTES of the ORDINARY MEETING of FINSTALL PARISH COUNCIL held on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 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 W Molloy, Cllr M. Molloy and Cllr Rosemarie Ryan.

#### Also in attendance:

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

#### 1. APOLOGIES

Cllr Spencer due to family commitments. The apologies were accepted by the council.

#### 2. MINUTES REFERENCE 10/21 P.1230-1233

Minutes recording the meeting held on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> October 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. UPDATE FROM NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICE TEAM

No members of the neighbourhood police team were present.

## 5. PROGRESS REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

a). A road closure has been requested and should be approved shortly. AP1 –
Clerk to distribute invitations for the service.

b.) Gavin Boyes, Senior Tree Officer at Bromsgrove District Council had agreed to liaise with the maintenance team regarding the proposed tree planting.

**Resolved:** All other progress reports were noted.

#### 6. CORRESPONDENCE.

c.) CALC Update sent 05/10/21 – Cllr Hewer queried the time of the Bromsgrove Area meeting on the 8<sup>th</sup> December AP2 – Clerk to confirm the time and location of the meeting and report back.

All other correspondence reports were noted.

## 7. PENMANOR PLAY EQUIPMENT

A meeting had taken place with Richard Davison from Bromsgrove District Council who suggested the area was well equipped and instead recommended improving some safety elements and purchasing some small additional items for younger children. Some of the points highlighted in the most recent ROSPA safety inspection were raised by Richard Davison and it was suggested that this should be addressed ASAP particularly for the slide and swings and possibly the climbing frame as the safety standards have increased since the equipment was installed.

It was suggested that the swings should be replaced by Mr Davidson. Cllr M. Molloy questioned whether there were cheaper options of protective surfaces, but it was suggested by BDC that the grass matting suggested was the cheapest option. It was agreed to await the quote from the BDC recommended supplier of the grass matting.

#### 8. PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

# **Planning Applications:**

Application type: Full Application

Planning Reference: 21/01469/FUL

Proposal: Rear and side ground floor extension.

Location: 41 Finstall Road, Bromsgrove, Worcestershire, B60 3DF,

Councillors comments were requested via email due to the closing date of 29<sup>th</sup> October 2021 – No objections.

Planning Approvals: None to date

Planning Refusals: None to date

#### 9 FINANCE

# a.) Receipts

Interest Money Manager Account	0.01
Bromsgrove District Council Precept	4120.00
Worcestershire County Council (Lengthsman)	364.50

# £ 4484.51

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

S. Whittaker – October Salary	220.00
Three Counties Payroll (DD)	14.04
Westcotec Battery Replacement	81.00
IDG Garden Sevices - Bin Emptying	234.00
IDG Garden Services – Mowing	150.00
S.Skeys Lengthsman – October Salary	Awaiting invoice

£699.04

C.) The bank reconciliation for September 2021 was noted

## 10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

**Resolved:** The next meeting will be an Ordinary Meeting of Finstall Parish Council to commence at 7.30pm on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2021 in the Village Hall.

#### 11. OTHER MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION ONLY -

Cllr W Molloy offered to organise the sweets for the carol service. Cllr M Molloy asked if the Christmas tree had been ordered. The Clerk hadn't managed to make contact with Parkgate Nurseries and had sent a letter requesting a 20ft tree and requested confirmation of the order.

Cllr Hewer had witnessed a council sweeper vehicle that had stopped at the rugby club and not proceeded to the areas of concern by the churchyard resulting in some flooding on Friday. Cllr M Molloy believed there may have been some issues with the sweeper vehicle which may have meant the rest of the area hadn't been done. It was suggested whether the Lengthsman could assist in clearing the drains. It was confirmed that the Lengthsman could clear the top of the drains but couldn't go below road surface, meaning that the problem would build up again quickly. AP3 – Clerk to contact Cllr Kit Taylor to liaise with Highways about drain clearance.

Cllr Hewer noted that the right hand post at the rugby club has been crashed into and is currently wrapped up in red and white tape.

Cllr Ryan reported that the drystone wall on the Finstall Road had been
repaired and was looking much improved.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8:26pm.
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Signed	Date