POWICK PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a virtual meeting of the PARISH COUNCIL held Wednesday 1st July 2020 at 7.00pm

PRESENT: Councillors A. Lamb (Chairman), C. Phillips (V/Chairman), J. Allsopp, R. Willetts, J. Foy, M. Huckfield, F. Williams, S. Williams, S. Underwood and D. Jones. There were no members of the public present.

APOLOGIES RECEIVED: Cllrs M. Richmond, E. Newman, P. Harris & R. Humpage.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST & APPLICATIONS FOR COUNCILLOR DISPENSATIONS:

There were no pecuniary or prejudicial interests declared for this meeting. There were no applications for dispensations.

DEMOCRATIC TIME: There were no comments received from members of the public by the Clerk.

ITEM:	MINUTE RECORDED:	ACTION AGREED:
20.23	 Minutes of the virtual meeting held 3rd June 2020: The Minutes were proposed by Cllr Huckfield, seconded Cllr S. Williams. All agreed. No matters arising. Minutes of the virtual meeting held 17th June 2020: The Minutes were proposed by Cllr Foy, seconded Cllr Willetts. All agreed. No matters arising. 	
20.24	Lengthsman Report & Highways Matters: The Clerk read out tasks completed for the month by the Lengthsman. Tasks required — 1. Spider Cottage at the end of Kings End Lane — the footpath to Powick Playing Field has badly damaged stiles — Cllr S. Williams is to report. 2. The pavement outside the Skoda garage is in poor repair, together with the one from the Old Malvern Rd junction to The Drive. 3. The stile at Cow Lane to the Hams has been smashed. Repairs have been arranged by R. Green. 4. The wall opposite Cross House is badly bowed and also needs repairs before the 3 Counties showground reopens. Clerk to check with Highways. 5. The damaged stiles to the wood behind the Taggarts house have been reported by Cllr S. Williams. 6. The bus shelter request to Highways is possible but the cost will be £8500.00. It was agreed to defer this to a future agenda until funding was arranged. 7. VAS locations / hotspots — the Clerk will liaise with WCC and the Lengthsman. The VAS by Callow End School needs algae cleaning off.	Clerk to report Highways matters as required. Cllr S. Williams to progress footpaths matters. Cllr Huckfield to progress speeding / road safety matters. .

	8. Cllr Huckfield updated the Council regarding the Safer Roads Partnership and Community Speed Watch – to be progressed.	
20.25	Financial & Governance Matters: Payments were approved as per the schedule. Proposed Cllr Huckfield, seconded Cllr Uderwood. All agreed. (Appendix A)	Clerk to pay accounts as agreed.
20.26	Strategic Planning: Neighbourhood Planning (NP) – the designated area is out to consultation via MHDC. – a formal response to follow. Cllr Huckfield informed the Council about funding available to the PC when we progress in conjunction with PACE. Options for a soft touch consultation and the formation of the Steering Group are to be discussed.	The Clerk and Cllr Huckfield are to progress the NP as agreed.
20.27	Parish Matters: 1. Newsletter – options were discussed for the next edition. Distribution to be in Sept. It is hoped to deliver hard copies this time to key locations if not to every household. Cllr Lamb to collate articles and forward to the Clerk by end August. 2. Callow End Village Hall – the Chairman's report had been circulated to members and was duly noted with thanks.	AL to collate newsletter articles by end Aug and forward to the Clerk.
20.28	Powick Action on Climate Change (PACE): Meetings are to resume shortly. Cllr Underwood updated regarding the Active Travel Corridor and Local Transport Plan 4 funding from central Government to WCC. There continue to be local concerns about funding allocated and WCC response to local cycling provision based on Govt recommendations following Covid-19. County Cllr T. Wells is to be asked to support local recommendations to WCC. County Cllr K. Pollock is also to be lobbied as he is responsible for WCC infrastructure projects. It is important to identify gaps in LTP4 provision and to identify key Councillors at WCC to encourage support.	Cllr Underwood to continue to progress PACE and the ATC. Letter to be drafted for Clerk to circ and send asap. Also, to contact County Cllrs Wells & Pollock.
20.29	Playing Field Reports: Playing field re-opening is being arranged via the Clerk and Cllr Phillips and guidance notes are available via Government and CALC. It is already difficult to manage and thanks were given to Callow End PFA for their help re closure and re-opening management. Fields to be re-opened on 3 rd July subject to risks being assessed and management in place. Some equipment may need to be decommissioned if it cannot be made safe. The pavilion may be re-opened when sanitizing arrangements are in place. 1. Hospital Lane – it was agreed to permit x2 new dug outs to be erected by Powick FC following a recent request. The Clerk has informed them to paint them green or to simply wood stain. The pavilion project continues to progress via MHDC, and the Clerk gave a funding update. The changes to Football Foundation grant	Clerk and Cllr Phillips to progress playing field reopening. Clerk & Cllr Lamb to progress current matters with MHDC and CAFOS re the pavilion project / funding options.

	requirements were noted and concern raised in how this would impact our project. Options were discussed as to how to best progress funding in light of the new FF requirements and it was agreed that the Clerk should speak to MHDC and see if they would agree to release additional s.106 funding to enable the Football Foundation grant application to be cancelled. It was agreed not to delay the current build in any event. CAFOS references were approved and the Clerk asked to notify MHDC Project Officer. Cllr Lamb explained ideas around educational opportunities from the project and agreed to progress these with MHDC & CAFOS at the pre-start meeting. 2. Callow End – work has been completed by the PFA on the perimeter track. Thanks to all involved.	
20.30	District & County Councillor Reports: No reports made / updates received. Cllr Lamb agreed to speak with Cllrs T & K Wells about the recent lack in communication to the PC.	
20.31	Planning Matters: 1. Planning application for consideration — 20/00707/HP — P. Roberts, 41 Upton Rd, Callow End WR2 4TZ — two storey side extension. No objection submitted 25 th June, with support for Highways comment re car parking provision. 20/00738/ADV — Mr Dakhal, Cromwell's Cuisine, 6 The Village, Powick WR2 4QP — display of two free standing signs and one wall mounted sign. Objection proposed Cllr Foy, seconded Cllr Willetts, all agreed — inappropriate as so close to the Conservation Area, too many signs in one location, no detail re sign graphics, size of proposed mounted signs is too large for the location. 20/00783/OUT — Mr D McElroy, Land at (Os 8166 5113), Sparrowhall Lane, Powick — variation to remove cond. 21 (Sparrowhall Lane improvements) of ref. 13/00216/OUT. No objection agreed. 20/00783/OUT — as above — amendment to description to: outline application with all matters reserved apart from access for the erection of up to 39 dwellings (40% to be affordable) together with a noise attenuation bund and assoc. infrastructure (amended description). Variation to remove cond. 21 (Sparrowhall Lane improvements) of ref 13/00216/OUT. No objection agreed. 20/00306/HP — Mr Jackson, Queensbury House, Ham Lane, Powick WR2 4RD — erection of single storey detached building to accommodate swimming pool. Comment proposed by Cllr F. Williams, seconded Cllr S. Williams, all agreed — need to address the need to empty the pool if not on mains sewage and the risk of contaminating local water courses. Soakaway is only suitable for rainwater. Concerns re environmental impact to the R. Teme.	Clerk to submit agreed responses.

ENF/19/0313 - 44 The Village, Powick WR2 4QT – update noted.	
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