

MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY
SEPTEMBER 14TH 2020

ATTENDANCE – Mrs T Wilcock, Mr J Rainsbury, Mrs S Rainsbury. Mr D Rimmer ,
Mr L Dryden, Mr D Owen & Mrs C Foster.

Also in attendance – three members of the public.

Before the meeting began, Councillor Rimmer passed on condolences to the family of the late Tom Sutton – former Little Hoole Parish Councillor.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE - None

2. TO AGREE THE MINUTES OF THE LAST PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The following amendment – Fitzells Farm should read Tusons Farm

3. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - None.

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES.

Damage to the footpath at Walmer Green – the lines have been marked.

The poor state of repair of the planters outside the shop had been reported by Councillor J Rainsbury to South Ribble Borough Council. He will contact them again.

5. MATTERS RAISED BY THE PUBLIC

A member of the public has asked Councillor Foster about the reduction in the bus service. It was agreed that this was a matter for Stagecoach.

6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED SINCE LAST MEETING

07/2020/00518/HOH – 31 Rockburgh Crescent – Erection of 1.8 metre fence.

LCC have made a suggestion to move the position of the fence .

07/2020/00632/NMA & 07/2020/00749/NMA 10 Jubilee Rd Walmer Bridge

2 lanterns in roof and addition of window to the extension.

07/2020/00633/OUT- Land adjacent to Barnfield , Brook Lane

Outline application for the erection of one dwelling

07/2020/00662/DIS - Carver Hey Farm, Moss Lane.

Submission of details of conditions 3

Nothing contentious with the above.

07/2020/00702/FUL – Lesser Marsh Barn, Station Rd, Little Hoole

Demolition of existing commercial buildings and erection of 6 dwellings.

The Parish Council had previously objected to a similar application earlier this year which was for the erection of 8 dwellings, A copy of the letter of objection sent then would be forwarded to the Planning Officer.

7. FINANCIAL STATEMENT

This was discussed and agreed.

A VAT refund of £1290.62 had been received.

8. PAYMENTS

The payment to Acer Gardens of £160 for work done in August was agreed and the payment of £270 for work done in July was confirmed.

9. CLERK RECRUITMENT AND APPOINTMENT PROCESS

Although there had been some interest , only one CV had been received . It was agreed that there would be a probationary period of employment. Employment contract wording and job specification would be accessed.

10. SPEED INDICATOR SIGNS UPDATE

Potential sites were discussed – possibly the entrances to the viilage at Gill Lane, Junction Garage and Star Garage with either one or two signs being rotated.

A committee consisting of Councillors Dryden, Owen and J Rainsbury was formed. Councillor Dryden will approach LCC and report back to the committee.

11. WILD FLOWER PLANTING AT VILLAGE ENTRANCE

This was suggested by Councillor Wilcock for the Gill Lane entrance in particular.

Councillor J Rainsbury will contact Louise Davies at SRBC and perhaps to put forward this as a project for “My Neighbourhood”

12. PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE

Councillor Dryden was concerned that he had not been able to place information where he wanted to on the website. The clerk suggested that

James Reilly of Easy- Websites should be invited to attend the next meeting to discuss his concerns.

13. CULVERT TRASH SCREEN

An invoice had been received but this would only be paid when we are advised the starting date of the work. Councillor Dryden will seek more information.

14. DOG FOULING – A PROPOSAL

A type of “dog toilet” is available. It could be sited on the recreation ground. This will be an agenda item for the next meeting.

15. REVIEW AND FORWARD PLAN OF PROJECTS FOR ALL AGES IN THE VILLAGE

It was decided to move this on to the agenda for the next meeting.

16. VILLAGE HALL ROOF FUND

No approach has been made to the Parish Council to assist with this fund. Funding schemes, Insurance, Loans and volunteers were suggested.

17. Green area at Sea View.

Local volunteers wish to clear and maintain the area. Firstly they need to establish ownership – possibly via the Land Registry. Once ownership is established then a formal request for assistance can be put to the Parish Council.

18. CORRESPONDENCE

It is proposed to hold a Chairperson / Clerks meeting at the Civic Centre and/or remotely. Councillor Rimmer will attend . Any items for the agenda to be passed to him.

A letter had been received from a local resident asking the Parish Council to support her wish to build a temporary annexe at her farm to house her daughter who is disabled. Support will be given by Councillor J Rainsbury as a Borough Councillor. A letter will be sent from the Parish Council to offer support should she proceed with a planning application.

19. MEMBERS ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Councillor J Rainsbury proposed ordering the poppies for lampposts as in previous years and this was agreed.

It was proposed that the Christmas tree, to be sited in the grounds of the Walmer Bridge Inn be ordered as soon as possible. This will be 17 foot high.

It was also proposed to have a 12 foot tree for Walmer Green gardens .Both proposals were agreed.

A living Christmas Tree for Walmer Green Gardens and decent quality lighting throughout the village was also discussed.Councillors Dryden and Foster will look into pricing.

20.DATE OF NEXT MEETING - Monday 12th October 2020 at 7pm.