

# MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 7<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER MONDAY 2020 AT 7.30PM

# **PRESENT**

Cllrs Cathryn Davies (Chairman), Philip Suter, Jean Roberts, Tim Macgillivray, Miv Hughes, Cllr Carl Etholen (Unitary), Cllr Graham Peart (Unitary), Clerk Frank Post, NW Chiltern Community Board Co-ordinator Jackie Binning, 4 members of the public.

#### 1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies from Cllr Craft.

#### 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

#### 3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The minutes of the last Council meeting on 3<sup>rd</sup> August were **approved** and it was agreed that they should be signed at the next actual meeting between Clerk and Chair.

#### 4. MATTERS ARISING NOT OTHERWISE ON THE AGENDA FOR INFORMATION ONLY

It was noted that representation from Speen residents at the public section of the meeting had clearly articulated their concerns regarding the planning application related to Speen Stores.

Jackie Binning provided a brief introduction into her responsibilities as Coordinator for the newly established NW Chiltern Community Board.

# 5. REPORTS FROM COUNCILLOR ETHOLEN AND COUNCILLOR PEART (UNITARY)

Cllr Etholen highlighted the transition from Serco to Viola for kerbside waste collections.

An update on the Bledlow Recycle Centre Project was provided, noting that decision on the application was deferred until October 2020.

Cllr Etholen concluded his report with an update on the impact of HS2 construction traffic on the A4010.

Cllr Peart reported that extra bus capacity had been provided for pupils from St Johns School.

Cllr Davies requested that Cllr Peart provide an insight into the changes of permitted development at the next meeting, which Cllr Peart **agreed** to undertake.

The issue of Assets of Community Value (AVC) and the Community Right to Bid were discussed at length. Cllr Peart confirmed that the AVC for the King William was to be renewed and a similar application being processed for the Black Horse. The Council confirmed its support for these measures and raised the issue of compulsory purchase to protect such Community Assets.

#### 6. PLAYGROUND

Wicksteed scheduled to undertake repairs w/c 14<sup>th</sup> September. Re-opening would take place as soon as possible with provision of additional safety notices.

#### 7. WEBSITE COMPLIANCE

Framework of new site in progress. Training for Clerk scheduled for 14<sup>th</sup> September. Focus will be on collating all documents for transfer and accessibility modification.

#### 8. GARDEN OF REMEMBRANCE REVAMP

It was **agreed** to commission a contractor to trim the box hedging, adjust the gate and clean the railings. FP

It was also **agreed** to source a contractor that could apply "eco" friendly weedkiller to the paving stones.

#### 9. REVIEW OF MVAS DATA

Cllr MAcgillivray highlighted the prevalence of low speeds to be attributable to road works.

The new MVAS was currently located in Speen.

#### 10. TRAFFIC CALMING PROJECT

Next stage of project will involve statutory consultation of TfB proposals to the community.

It was confirmed that funding is available in the budget. The full specification of the Project Initiation Document (PID) does need review.

#### 11. ROUNDELS FOR SPEEN AND LACEY GREEN

Cllr Suter confirmed that a 30mph roundel for Chapel Hill, Speen will be provided by TfB.

After some discussion it was **agreed** that the provision of additional roundels in Lacey Green at Pink Road, Woodway Cottage and Snode Lade be confirmed at the next meeting. Pictures of proposed locations would be arranged.

# 12. COMMUNITY SPEED WATCH

Cllr Macgillivray in contact with PC Lee Turner. Update at next meeting.

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#### 13. TENNISCOURT FENCE REPAIRS

It was agreed to consider replacement fencing for next year. Meanwhile temporary repairs are being undertaken.

CD/FP

#### 14. BUS SHELTER REVAMP AT SPEEN

Awaiting revised quote from contractor.

PS/FP

# 15. UPDATED STANDING ORDERS AND FINANCIAL REGULATIONS

Council **approved** the updated standing orders and financial regulations, following review and comments by Cllr Craft.

# **16. POLICY DOCUMENTS**

The updated policy documents relating to Code of Conduct, Equality and Diversity, Complaints, Privacy and Data Protection had been circulated for review. All were **approved** by Council.

#### 17. COOPTING NEW COUNCILLOR

The vacancy would be featured in Hallmark as well as the website and Community noticeboards. **FP/CD/TM** 

# 18. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following planning applications were considered:

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#### 20/07006/FUL Land at Hillcroft, Loosley Hill, Loosley Row

Objection based on overdevelopment and proximity to boundary

# 20/07032/FUL First Floor, Speen Stores, Chapel Hill, Speen

Objection based on proposals which would render the Shop not to be viable and be detrimental for community needs.

It was confirmed that the application 20/06249/FUL relating to Highwood Kiln Lane had been refused.

The non adherence to consultation and decision deadlines was highlighted and seen to be due to capacity issues and transition to Unitary.

It was noted that the application **20/06280/FUL** 4, Cornerways, Speen is currently being considered by Planning whom are mindful to decline based on the non conformance with Green Belt Policy.. The Council was clear that the application was **not** subject to Green Belt Policy (DM43) and requested Cllrs Peart and Etholen to raise the matter with the relevant planning officer as a matter of urgency. **GP/CE** 

# 19. PAYMENTS

The following payments had been circulated and approved for August and September.

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Activity	Payee	Gross	Comment
Salary	F Post	322.10	Aug
Web	Globalize	756.00	20.21 Hosting & Support
<b>Devolved Services</b>	PRTC	151.20	Devolved Services 11/07
Grass Cutting	PRTC	1,176.00	GOR & Playground July
Allowances Expenses	F Post	20.00	Sept 4 wks
	F Post	2.39	Fasthosts
Web	Aubergine	2132.40	Compliant Web Development
Dog Bins	Scoop Dotty Dog	20.10	Aug
Total		4580.19	

# 20. RESPONSES TO CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

It was noted that the request for speed restrictions around the White House at Parslow would be considered by TfB through Cllr Etholen.

# 21. REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS ON MEETINGS ATTENDED

None.

# 22. AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

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- Roundels for Lacey Green
- Playground Update
- Website Compliance
- Garden of Rest Revamp Project
- Traffic Calming Proposals
- Planning

# 23. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

7.30pm, 5th October 2020: Virtual

Meeting closed at 9.10 pm

Chairman	Date