

## MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 1<sup>ST</sup> JULY AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE VILLAGE HALL.

1. **APOLOGIES.** Phil Hughes, Bob Young.

2. **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS,**

Welcomed Richard Yapp who has been co-opted onto the P.C after proposal by Peter Kitt and seconded by John Williams.

Letter from Liz Binsley following receipt of flowers.

Letter sent to David Williams at Staffs C.C. re. restrictions to local businesses caused by turning bans.

Concerns resurfaced regarding fly tipping.

New litterbin ordered for shop frontage in Main Street.

Introduced Gill, a new reporter for the Fisherman.

3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.** None advised.

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES DATED 3 JUNE 2021.** Approved after amendment to second last paragraph in section 10c. Kings Bromwich amended to Kings Bromley.

5. **MATTERS ARISING.** None.

6. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION.** None.

7. **REPORTS FROM COUNTY AND BOROUGH COUNCILLORS.**

No reports. However, note from Julia Jessel advising that Staffs C.C. are introducing a scheme to recycle computers. Details posted on website.

8. **PLANNING. Bob, please see Bob Key's report PLUS** Boundary dispute re. Leafields farm development and 2 properties at St. Peters Walk. Awaiting developments.

Smell of sewage at the entrance to Lodge Lane on the A515. Cllr Keys visited and no evidence of a smell although it was a dry day. Cty Cllr J. Jessell to pursue.

9. **CLERK'S REPORT.**

No report or details of correspondence.

10. **WORKING GROUPS.**

a) **Open spaces/Village Amenities.**

**Bob, please see Peter Kitt's report.** Both Mill Holme Pingle and Ferrers Field looking good.

**Village amenities.** – no major issues.

b) **Roads and Pavements.** HE kept to their word and there were no overnight diversions on 22 June. No diversions planned in the near future. Reported potholes at the junction of the B5016 and the A515 AND the bend opposite the Golden Cup.

**SPEEDWATCH.** Commented about report from CSW. Quoted number of speeding motorists, majority of which were car drivers, not HCV.s. Many cars entering the village at 40 mph with one at 49 mph.

Cllr Arch suggested a full discussion should take place in September re. all the various issues following which letters should be sent to the C.C. and the police requesting appropriate action.

**c) Village Hall.** Bookings started to be taken. Some food bank stock dispersed in part to provide more space.

**d) Best Kept Village Competition.**

Not proceeding. Entered Best kept Village Community competition. Also no village fete this year but a possible informal get together.

**e) Footpaths**

Infringement on footpath 60 at Wood Lane, Hall Farm. Staffs CC contacted. Officer sent to assess the problem. Staffs C.C. to formally engage with the site owners.

Grant apps made following a meeting with the National Forest. Both schemes will cover 50% of the cost. Match funding needed and grant will not cover general maintenance work.

Conservation Group to be formed. Meeting to be held on 26<sup>th</sup> September 2021 at Goose Green.

All villagers and national bodies welcome. Various initiatives to be considered. Local school also to be approached.

**f) Website.** Updated with warning re. scam connected with COVID vaccinations. Also updated with proposed Conservation Group, Planning and Community Speed Watch.

**g) Burial Ground.**

Nothing to report;

**h) Ferrers Field.**

To be included in open spaces in future..

**i) Riverside regeneration.**

Diana to attend the Timber Festival on 4<sup>th</sup> July. Details to be advised. Response sent re. suggestion that Goose Green should include a play area.

## **11. WISH LIST.**

Updated list provided.

Asked to decide on Beryl Behague Christmas Tea or Christmas boxes. Boxes reach far more people. JW suggested that if there is any doubt as to whether the Tea will go ahead, then boxes should again be distributed. The Golden Cup is again prepared to support the boxes. Local businesses to be asked to support. Biggest expense – the cost of the boxes.

Agreed to distribute boxes in 2021. Date set for distribution – 10 December.

## **12. HEALTH AND SAFETY.**

Nothing to report but Richard Yapp is to have a meeting with Health Centre officials on 28 July over the lack of communication and access to doctors.

**13. APPROVAL OF CHEQUES.**

As per list.

**14. ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING.**

**Meeting closed at 8.53p.m. Date of next meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2021.**