

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 17th August 2020 at 6:30pm. Virtually online

Meeting opened 6:33pm

Present: Cllr Smith Cllr Wager Cllr Slingsby
Cllr Samuel Cllr Tapper Cllr Whittaker-Smith

1. **To receive and accept apologies for absence**
Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Woodhouse
2. **To receive declarations of interest**
None

It was unanimously agreed to add the recent village flooding to the agenda as agenda item 20/50.

20/39 To confirm the minutes of previous Parish Council Meetings

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved:

Prop: Cllr Samuel Sec: Cllr Wager

20/40 Clerk's report on items from the previous meeting

- There were no items requiring updates which wouldn't be covered under other agenda items

20/41 To approve the accounts annual governance statement for 2019/20

The accounts annual governance statement was read through.

Prop: Cllr Samuel Sec: Cllr Tapper.

Unanimously agreed.

20/42 To approve the Accounting statements 2019/20

The accounting statements were read through.

Prop: Cllr Slingsby Sec: Cllr Tapper

Unanimously agreed.

20/43 To discuss the proposed extension to Houghton Way

The new plan was described by Cllr Smith.

- It includes:
- 6 x 2 bed 3 person bungalow (affordable rent)
 - 4 x 2 bed 4 person house (affordable rent)
 - 1 x 3 bed 5 person bungalow (shared ownership)
 - 2 x 3 bed 5 person house (shared ownership)
 - 2 x 2 bed 3 person bungalow (shared ownership)

Following a discussion it was decided to resubmit the Parish Councillors original comments to Miles King expressing that these plans show that the Parish Council views and comments have not been taken into account at all and the Parish Council cannot support this proposal in its current form.

20/44 To discuss the proposed restrictions around the New Hill / Retford Road junction.

The Parish Council fully support the proposed double yellow lines around the junction and hope that once they are in place, they will be policed.

20/45 To discuss the redecoration of the hall and its potential reopening.

Steve Grise has spent two weekends so far, the ceiling in the main hall has been hoovered and they have started to paint. It has already been agreed that 10 days of labour for 2 people will be paid. The large picture at the hall will need reframing and repositioning, possibly needs a joiner? It is to be thought about whether anything could be attached to the walls in the main hall to stop people attaching things to the wall which may pull the new paint off.

It was agreed to get RAMP Electrical to replace the strip lights in the hall with led ones once the painting had been completed.

Reopening: It was decided that under the current regulations due to Covid-19 that it would be impossible to safely reopen the village hall at the present time. Clerk to put a statement together to explain why the hall will not be opening for circulation via social media and on the noticeboard. It should include that Willows have met and found the restrictions faced impossible to operate.

20/50 Village Flooding

During a storm last night (16/08/2020) some properties in the Central Avenue / Brackendale area of the village were flooded. Raw sewage was also flowing over gardens and the area. The Green Lane area of the village was also affected although it is believed that it was the road which was affected and not private properties.

This is a continuing issue when there is a lot of rain in a short period of time as the drains can't cope. Contingency plans such as purchasing sand bags were discussed although it was thought that due to the nature of the flooding by the time sand bags had been filled and distributed it would not quick enough to stop the flooding occurring.

It had been suggested that the residents effected should set up a group to approach Seven Trent and the EA to request short term help until hopefully the authorities can get something more permanent done. Cllr Slingsby to liaise with those effected and report back to the next meeting.

20/46 Payments for approval

Prop: Cllr Tapper Sec: Cllr Slingsby

20/47 To receive items for information and future meetings

None

20/48 To suspend standing orders for public participation

20/49 Time and date of next meeting

The next meeting will be held at 6:30pm on Thursday 1st October 2020 via Skype.

Meeting closed at 7:25pm