



Buckhorn Weston and Kington Magna Parish Council

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FULL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Held on Monday 1st March 2021 at 7.30pm by Zoom virtual meeting

Item	Parish Councillors Present: Roger Gosney (Chairman (RG), Nigel Osborne (Vice-Chairman (NO), Tim Wilton (TW), Ms Phillipa Chapman(PC), Fred Shotter (FS), Simon Stranger (SS), Matthew Hoskins (MH), Mrs Linda Munster (LM) Dorset Councillors Present: 1 Members of the public: There was 3 member of the public present Members of the press: There were no members of the press present In attendance: Parish Clerk: Sandra Mackintosh (SM), IA: Patricia Read (PR), ROWLO: Martin Hibbert (MHT)	Action
	Public Session: No issues were raised.	
67/20	Apologies: Kevin Aldred	
68/20	To approve the minutes of the last Full Parish Council meeting held on 4th January 2021: Cllr Ms Chapman proposed that “the minutes of the Full Parish Council meeting held on the 4 th January 2021 should be approved as a correct record of the meeting.” Cllr Osborne seconded, the vote was unanimous. Resolved. The Chairman duly signed the minutes.	
69/20	Matters Arising from the previous minutes: None	
70/20	Declarations of interest: <i>Members are required to comply with the requirements of the Localism Act 2011, section 27 disclosable pecuniary interests:</i> None	
71/20	Dorset Councillor's report: Cllr Ridout: The closing date for the Dorset Local Plan consultation is March 15 th . A good response has been received to date. Dorset Council (DC) want to especially hear from young people to help shape the future they will be part of. Covid numbers are slowly reducing in the Dorset area and the vaccine programme has been very successful. The DC budget was approved along with an increase in the council tax with band D households up by £1.62 per week. The climate and ecological emergency consultation has concluded with the feedback now being analysed. Funding from Government has been received which will enable the Council to start delivering its strategic and ecological objectives. Overall there was a broad response to the consultation and a general agreement with DC's approach. The youth survey remains open. A new trees policy is going to cabinet shortly outlining the approach taken in the management of council owned trees. Further details on this will be reported back at a later date. A copy of the full report is available on request from the clerk. Cllrs Walsh and Pothecary sent their apologies as they were unable to attend the meeting.	
72/20	Police report: PCSO Mullens submitted the following report: No incidents of theft or damage in the Parish area during this period. There will have been other incidents for Police to have dealt with which may include concerns for welfare of persons, domestic incidents and road traffic related incidents. Recent reports of scam calls to residents across North Dorset were highlighted and residents should be alert. FS noted an unreported incident of a computer bag, which was stolen from a vehicle in West Stour, being found in the gully at Roads Lane in Nyland.	
73/20	Chairman's report: It has been a relatively quiet time during lockdown. A number of highway issues remain outstanding and will be dealt with when restrictions are eased. The speed limits	

	<p>are in place with roundels to follow. Light pollution and planning notification issues concerning Henstridge airfield and the surrounding industrial estate continue with ongoing correspondence to SSDC led by FS. Congratulations were given to FS for the time and effort put in over the last two years regarding this matter. The neighbourhood plan needs to be considered with a decision made on how the members wish to proceed. The missing finger post in Kington Magna has been returned in reasonable condition by the contractor and the work to be carried out will now only pertain to those damaged in Buckhorn Weston at the agreed cost of £450. Work should be carried out this month.</p>	
74/20	<p>Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer's report: The report, accounting statement and bank reconciliation were circulated prior to the meeting, copies are available on request from the clerk. £260.00 was received for the purchase of a non-resident exclusive rights double burial plot. The agreed precept request was submitted to DC and confirmed as received.</p> <p>Bank Reconciliation: The current account balance is £11311.49. The Nationwide account balance is £5008.13. Payments received to date are £20227.31. Total payments out so far this financial year are £16,623.33 (Both receipts and payments out include the transfers of reserves from NS&I to Nationwide via the current account).</p>	
74/20.1	<p>To receive and approve the accounts and payments for the period of 1st January to 28th February 2021 including salaries and associated accounts: Cllr Ms Chapman proposed to "approve the accounts and payments for the period of 1st January to 28th February 2021 including salaries and associated accounts." Cllr Shotter seconded, the vote was unanimous.</p> <p>Resolved.</p>	
75/20	<p>Planning:</p>	
75/20.1	<p>To approve and adopt the minutes of the planning meeting held on 27th January 2021: Cllr Gosney proposed "the minutes of the planning meeting held on the 27th January 2021 be approved as a correct record of the meeting". Cllr Wilton seconded, the vote was unanimous.</p> <p>Resolved. The Chairman duly signed the minutes.</p>	
75/20.2	<p>To receive decision notices from Dorset Council:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 Rookside Cottage Church Hill Buckhorn Weston, Erection of first floor side extension, installation of roof lights & internal alterations = granted (2/2020/1284/HOUSE) • Orchard House Church Hill Kington Magna, Erection of single storey and first floor rear extensions with Juliet balcony = granted (P/HOU/2020/00030) • Nyland Farm Templecombe Lane Buckhorn Weston, Change of use of agricultural / equestrian buildings and land to residential for the use as two dwellinghouses (Class C3). Erection of replacement stable block, extend and change of use of stable block to floristry / workshop, construct swimming pool (demolish sheds, stable block and Dutch barn) = granted (P/FUL/2020/00120) 	
75/20.3	<p>Neighbourhood Plan report from KA (TBC): KA was unable to attend the meeting, no report received. Councillors were reminded that LM had previously circulated her findings from a meeting to discuss the formation of a neighbourhood plan. The plan, being a legal document in line with the Local Plan, would outline what the villages do and do not want with regards to planning and would give the villages control over how developments look now and in the future, even if it is only for infilling or the conversion of derelict buildings. It is not a necessity for the plan to have land earmarked for development. It was suggested LM link up with KA to try to produce the report, possibly following the series of bullet points issued previously, to focus on the pros and cons and what can be delivered so that a decision can be made on whether to proceed and whether to submit an application for grant funding. It was suggested that all councillors should re-visit the previously produced Parish Plan to determine those points that remain valid and those that are outdated and that a separate meeting to discuss the report would be beneficial. Cllr Ridout noted that a neighbourhood plan should have some sort of housing allocation, even if for affordable housing.</p> <p>Action: To contact KA and move forward with a report</p> <p>Action: To re-circulate the Parish Plan to all councillors</p> <p>Action: To put forward useful points to LM & KA from the existing Parish Plan</p>	<p>LM Clerk Councillors</p>

75/20.4	<p>Discuss and agree a response to Dorset Council's Local Plan consultation: RG considered that some very good points were made by the CPRE's recent comments. Concerns were raised over the growth of Gillingham as only Dorchester and Weymouth exceed it with the planned increase in housing. Cllr Ridout noted that being a strategic town DC must provide for its needs, (as with Sherborne, Blandford, Sturminster Newton and Stalbridge), and that in line with their climate and emergency plan, DC is trying to group housing and development where infrastructure already exists to lower the need for travel. The new local plan has lots of allocation which gives some room in the event of a duty to cooperate in having to take allocation from BCP. Questions still remained over the justification of need and how the housing allocation is calculated. Cllr Ridout will look into this. Cllr Ms Chapman proposed that "all councillors submit their comments for inclusion in the DC Local Plan response to Cllr Gosney by the 10th March". Cllr Mrs Munster seconded, the vote was unanimous. Resolved. Action: <i>To produce a members' composite response letter regarding the DC local plan consultation as a whole with a focus on our own villages.</i></p>	RG
76/20 76.20.1	<p>Other reports: Highways (RG):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roundel road markings emphasising the speed limit signs remain to be installed. • Assessment of the need for speed limits between Sandley and Quarr is in progress. • Skid warning signs at the S bend on Harpitts Lane at Bowden remain to be installed pending a site visit with DC. • A permanent solution to the flooding of the road at Filley Brook has been discussed with DC but remains to be implemented pending a site visit. • A solution to contain the amount of storm water running down Green Lane by installing a further gully at Magna Cottage has been agreed with DC. • The site visit to look into what is needed to minimise the risk of accidents on the on the road between Nyland and the A30 remains to be done as soon DC's policy on lockdown for its officers permit. • The ash trees overhanging Back Lane Kington Magna have been cut back by DC. • Enrico Damarino is now in post as the Community Highways Officer. 	
76.20.2	<p>Public Footpaths (MHT): No new major issues to report. There are a few broken finger posts which will be repaired when the volunteers can resume work. Ongoing issues include two replacement bridges; one being on the county boundary of Nyland and Henstridge which is waiting on funding and the other is near Caggy Pole Farm which remains passable as there is a farm gateway nearby. The replacement of stiles with gates on the White Hart link route is also delayed with the ground being very wet but it is hoped to be sorted this quarter. Following a report of gates being locked on land by the railway bridge, one gate was found to be tied with rope, which was easily undone, and another on the north side of the railway line was tied with wire which is not acceptable. MHT will return and remove the wire and will inspect the rest of the site. If using the footpath at the bottom of Hartmoor Hill caution should be taken as there is a very frisky horse in the field. Volunteer work is currently on hold but it is anticipated to restart from March 29th when the rule of 6 is reintroduced. The 'adopt a path' will probably resume from June 21st. MHT advised the council that he will be standing down in the second half of next year and will see if he can identify anyone who can take up the role. His preference would be to have a dedicated Rowlo for each village. The essence of the job is to pick up the phone and have a quiet word. RG thanked MHT for his report and noted that the PC is indebted to him for all that he does.</p>	
77/20	<p>Nyland (FS): An application for a new development on Henstridge Airfield was identified. South Somerset District Council (SSDC) confirmed that comments for this were closed on the 4th February. Concerns have been raised with the SSDC planning department as to why neither the PC, nor FS as a neighbour, were notified. A response received confirmed the application has been granted with a clause about submitting any external lighting proposals. Emails continue with SSDC regarding the light pollution around the commercial units near Henstridge Airfield. It was noted that progress, albeit slow, is being made with SSDC on this point.</p>	

	Discussions are also being held with DC regarding light pollution from their Gibbs Marsh Highways Depot in Landshire Lane. Mr Blackburn was due to visit the site last week with one of his lighting engineers to investigate. As yet no feedback has been received.	
78/20	<p>Kington Magna update: Very little response regarding the play area has been received from the community consultation advertised in two instalments of Hear Here. Apart from one query, only the Kington Magna club have shown their support and have donated £250.00 towards maintaining the equipment. Two grant requests have been submitted of which one has been rejected and the result of the other is outstanding. A further grant request to Calor Gas will be submitted when they open for applications on the 10th March. In the meantime, current equipment will need to be maintained with possibly a top up of chips later in the year. RG has done some minor refurbishment to the slide, see saw and the springer. The upkeep may require an increase in the precept but the PC wondered if the lack of response to the consultation could indicate an absence of interest. It was confirmed that the play area is used but perhaps could be more appealing with the equipment covering a wider age group. With limited opportunities to fund raise, the use of PC reserves was suggested with Kington Magna replenishing those funds at a later date. The PC were reminded that some of the reserves were committed to the stopping up of Five Bridges. It was agreed to reconsider this topic at the next meeting by which time there may be success with the grant applications. SS was thanked for carrying out the regular inspection reports.</p> <p>Action: Investigate the probability of Five Bridges stopping up proceeding</p>	Cllr Ridout
79/20	<p>Update on enforcements:</p> <p>(i) Land next to railway line in Buckhorn Weston ENF/2011/0101: An update and timeline for progress was requested from DC however none was forthcoming. Interested parties have been informed.</p> <p>(ii) Goat farm at Shutes Lane ENF/2019/0185: The appeal is going to a hearing to be held at the end of April so a decision is not expected before then.</p>	
80/20	<p>Items for next agenda:</p> <p>Neighbourhood plan report (KA & LM)</p> <p>Five Bridges update</p> <p>Kington Magna Play Area</p> <p>Enforcement updates</p>	
81/20	Matters Pertinent: None	
82/20	<p>Date of next Meeting: 10th May 2021 (TBC)</p> <p>7pm Annual Parish Meeting Kington Magna (TBC)</p> <p>7.30pm Full Council Meeting (TBC)</p>	
	Meeting closed at 21.26pm	
	SignedChairman	Date

Appendices

- A. RFO & Clerk's report
- B. Accounts and payments for the period 1st January to 28th March 2021
- C. Bank reconciliation

Copies of enclosures can be obtained on request from the Parish Clerk