# MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 10th JUNE 2021 AT 8.00 PM IN THE VILLAGE HALL, WEST WYCOMBE

#### ATTENDANCE:

Cllrs Mr S. Cope, Mr N. Harris, Mrs V. Smith, Mrs K. Cheshire, Mr J. Carstensen, Mrs E. Copley

In attendance: Mrs S. Henson - Clerk Buckinghamshire Councillors Mr D.Hayday,

APOLOGIES: Mr N. Timberlake, Buckinghamshire Cllr Mrs O. Hayday

DECLARATION OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS BY MEMBERS RELATING TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA -None declared.

CONFIRMATION AND SIGNING OF MINUTES OF THE MAY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING The Minutes for the May Parish Council meeting were agreed by those Councillors present and signed by the Chairman.

# **CLERK'S REPORT**

- 1. TfB have still not made contact about gully emptying Cllr Hayday has put in a further request on our behalf we will need to pursue with Karen Smith.
- 2. Clerk has had no further communication from the National Trust re the archway cobbles.
- 3. The external auditor papers have been submitted to PFK Littlejohn for inspection.
- 4. The Declaration of Interests from six Councillors have been submitted to the Monitoring Officer.
- 5. The Election Expenses forms have been delivered to the Returning Officer at Queen Victoria Road.
- 6. The gift for Cllr Seymour has been purchased.
- 7. Clerk has booked the RoSPA Play Equipment inspection will take place in July.
- 8. Clerk has sorted out the play area/COVID signs.
- 9. Cllrs Copley and Carstensen have attended the New Councillor Training with BMKALC on 8<sup>th</sup> June.
- 10. Ordnance Survey and the Chilterns Society have confirmed that they will modify the local map to cater for the diversion of footpath WW10.
- 11. Major cut of the Pedestal Playing Field took place on 4th June.
- 12. The West Wycombe Parish Council Facebook page has just been started and will be finished by the weekend. It will be linked from the website.
- 13. The tree work required in the burial ground and the Pedestal Playing Field has been undertaken. A climbing report for two of the playing field trees has been produced and a quote for possible extra work in the burial ground has been produced. Councillors had a site visit after the meeting. Agenda for July.
- 14. Email from a resident about the tree works Clerk has responded explaining that everything was undertaken legally through a tree inspection and a Conservation Area planning application to ensure the safety of the users of the area surrounding St Paul's Church and the Burial Ground car park.

# 285.1 Correspondence received 21st May – 10th June 2021

- 1. Website analysis for May emailed.
- 2. Buckinghamshire Council daily and weekly updates and press releases links put on website.
- 3. Agenda for the 17<sup>th</sup> June meeting of WDALC forwarded to Cllr Cope.
- 4. Email from Chiltern Rangers to cover the possibility of extending the area for the environmental project issued to Councillors.
- 5. Buckinghamshire Council Newsletter to Town and Parish Council forwarded to Councillors.
- 6. Police and Crime Commissioner Newsletter emailed to Councillors.
- 7. Agenda for North West Community Board meeting on 20th July emailed to Cllr Cope.
- 8. Invitation to the Rural Forum Farm walk on 1st July at Kensham Farm
- 9. Complete Tree Services Climbing report for the Pedestal Playing Field and quote for tree works in the burial ground. Councillors undertook a site visit to look at the burial ground trees.
- 10. BMKALC Training details for the Code of Conduct -emailed to Councillors.
- 11. BMKALC Parish Liaison Meeting dates 14<sup>th</sup> July, 13<sup>th</sup> October, 19<sup>th</sup> January.
- 12. Request for support from Piddington &Wheeler End Parish Council for a reduced speed limit on the A40 from West Wycombe to Studley Green.

#### 285.2 Planning Applications & decisions:

**21/06535/FUL-Moorcroft, Park Farm Road High Wycombe-**Householder application for construction of part two storey/part single storey side and rear extension and creation of driveway – we consider this an overdevelopment of the site. We would want to ensure that the paved driveway has appropriate drainage. Long term we would not want this to become a House for Multiple Occupation, which the current plans do not indicate that this is the intention.

# **Decisions**

**21/05604/FUL-Land At West Wycombe Estate West Wycombe-**Application for temporary use of land for film-making purposes with associated temporary sets and facilities for a 6 month period - permit

**21/05580/FUL-Beechwood House 10 Beechwood Road High Wycombe**-Householder application for construction of rear extension and creation of parking to front - permit

- 285.3 <u>To discuss Her Majesty's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations for 2022</u> Currently the Beacon will be on the Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2022 and Street Party on the Sunday. This will be an ongoing agenda item.
- 285.4 <u>To discuss the A4010 suggested strategy report presented by Mr Timberlake</u>
  This will be discussed once Mr Timberlake has produced the report and is in attendance.
- 285.5 To discuss the creation of a Community Orchard Environmental project
  Cllr Cope and the Clerk have had a further site visit with the Chiltern Rangers to consider the implications and practicality of his suggestion. The Chiltern Rangers have given a response indicating we would need to ensure that the long term liability for the trees was with West Wycombe Estate; they could not mange the over mature trees and we would need to bring in specialist tree surgeons; we would need to remove the existing stock fence and create new fencing and access from Church Lane; currently we do not know

how much community interest there would be and including the wooded area makes it into a much bigger, costlier and longer term project which would be harder to manage if we did not get any community support. The Clerk will write to Sir Edward to explain our position. We had asked West Wycombe School if we could have a space at their Sumer Fete on 26th June however, we do not have enough information to make a presentation. We will cancel our attendance; however, we will ask Chiltern Rangers to undertake the flower survey and contact the school to make bat and bird boxes. July agenda.

### 285.6 To report any Highways issues

The Clerk provided two dates for a further site visit with TfB for the High Street project but has not had any response.

The Chairman of Piddington & Wheeler End Parish Council has presented their case for reducing the speed limit from West Wycombe to Studley Green on the A40 from 60 to 50 and has asked for our support. We support the reduction however we cannot see how it will be implemented and monitored and we would not be prepared to commit to any financial contribution. It was suggested that the change in speed limit should start opposite Towerage Lane as there is often a large volume of traffic using the field entrance causing traffic tailbacks.

# 285.7 <u>To consider COVID19 and decisions or actions which may be required</u> Clerk has sorted out the play area/COVID signs.

#### 285.8 To approve the accounts for June 2021 – appendix 2

The Clerk provided all Councillors with budget sheets for the first quarter for consideration.

We are in credit to the West Wycombe Community Association and once we have had our meeting in July our balance will be £67.50 which will be either for future meetings or litter picks.

It was resolved to approve the accounts.

#### 285.9 Members questions

Cllr Mrs Cheshire reported that the school are planning a litter pick on West Wycombe Hill on 20<sup>th</sup> June.

285.10 Date of next meeting - Thursday 15th July in the Village Hall, West Wycombe

#### Payments to be made in June 2021

Hearing Direct (debit card)	54.99	Mobile phone purchase
Tesco (debit card)	40.00	Tesco Mobile voucher
Southern Electric (dd)	25.62	Feeder pillar energy
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Giff gaff (debit card)	6.00	Monthly charge for mobile
Smart Numbers (dd)	23.99	June service charge
Mrs S Henson	599.42	May salary
Bucks CC	221.30	June pension
HMRC - online	84.00	Tax
Acorn Landscaping	488.14	Highway grass, burial ground, Pedestal strimming
TBS Hygiene	115.20	May collections
Southern Electric (dd)	75.35	Streetlight energy
Castle Water (dd)	13.95	Allotment water
Total	1773.58	

# Statement of Account as at 1st June 2021

Opening balance – 1 <sup>st</sup> May	50565.02
Allotment rents	30.00
Sub total	50595.02
Less May expenditure	3398.27
Total	47196.75