

ASTON ROWANT PARISH COUNCIL (ARPC)

MEETING: 14th April 2021 7:30PM

VIRTUAL MEETING VIA ZOOM

PRESENT: Cllrs. A.Bernstein (AB), T.Hill (TH), M.Priestley (MP), S.Sowerby (SS), P.Tinson (PT) in the chair, J.Wyatt (JW), D/Cllr Lloyd (LL). Four members of the public (MOP) also attended.

Minutes

Actions

The meeting started with one minute's silence as a mark of respect for the Duke of Edinburgh who passed away on 9/April 2021.

1	APOLOGIES:- None	
2	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:- None	
3	MINUTES OF MARCH MEETING: Approved.	Clerk: to publish.
4	MATTERS ARISING: 1. Minute 11 - Re: replacement supplier for dog-bin emptying. Still awaiting quote for installation of extra bin. Need new arrangements to go ahead, while waiting for quote. 2. Minute 4.2 - Query on cost of raw materials for Prysebros quote. Breakdown of quote received: cost of materials used is £9, rest is labour, travel, insurance & VAT.	Clerk: to arrange and cancel SODC.
5	REPORTS FROM DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS:- No report as D/Cllrs in period of Purdah ahead of elections on 6/May.	
6	OPEN FORUM: 1. MOP spoke re: Litter and anti-social behaviour in Church Lane, Aston Rowant after dark, at least 3 cars leaving as late as 1AM. This is also an issue at Pleck Wood Kingston Blount with visitors from Chinnor using disposable barbeques (potential fire risk) & leaving litter. 2. MOP spoke re: interest in agenda item 14b. Covered later in these minutes (14.2).	Chairman: liaise with TV Police and/or local PCSO
7	MEETINGS FORMAT FROM 7/MAY. Coronavirus legislation to hold meetings remotely expires on 6/May but no venue for face-to-face meetings available until V/Hall reopens after 21/Jun and not all councillors and MOPs will have had a vaccination by then. Situation is still evolving but proposal for at least May meeting(s) to be brought forward by 1 week to 5/May to be legally held remotely and review situation then in light of ongoing Govt. Guidance. Passed unanimously.	AB: amend meeting date on website. Clerk: post to Facebook/KBAR.
8	PLANNING 1. Applications as follows to be confirmed/discussed: P21/S0733/HH Enlargement of Existing Window at: 6 Dashwood Court, Aston Rowant - further to refusal of P21/S4366/HH. In view of significant amendments to previous application happy to support now. P21/S0907/HH Replacement pool house & leisure complex at Orchard House, High Street Kingston Blount. Following site meetings several amendments have been suggested/agreed, chiefly due to privacy, noise and tree preservation. Until we receive formal notification of these, as it stands the existing application is not acceptable and we cannot support. P21/S1053/HH Construction of a single storey side extension, extension of an existing dormer and insertion of a skylight at Three Gables Cottage, Aston Hill. . 2. Applications/Decisions received since agenda publication: P20/S3679/FUL Erection of a new detached dwelling and garage at Land adjacent to Queens Gate Bungalow Butts Way AR - WITHDRAWN by applicants. P21/S0733/HH Enlargement of existing window at 6 Dashwood Court AR - GRANTED. 3. Decisions of S.O.D.C. as follows to be noted: P21/S0523/HH Side extension to form new garage, relocation of fuel tank, extension of driveway paving at Maple House, Aston Rowant - GRANTED. P21/S0652/HH Demolition and reconstruction of existing front porch at 2 Stert Road Kingston Blount - GRANTED	Clerk: to respond to SODC planning. SUPPORT OBJECT, pending amendments. SUPPORT Noted. Noted. Noted. Noted.

	<p>4. Withdrawn Applications: See 8.2</p> <p>5. Applications referred to SODC Planning Committee: None</p> <p>6. Planning Inspectorate Appeals: P20/S4366/HH - 6 Dashwood Court, Aston Rowant (under House Holder Appeals process no input allowed from PC). Ref: APP/Q3115/D/21/3268925.</p>	Noted.						
9	<p>FINANCE:</p> <p>1. The following payments to be noted (Costs include VAT): Clerk February Salary & HMRC/P.A.Y.E re: Clerk February salary OALC (Training Course) 60.00 SODC (Dog Bins to 31/Dec) 376.74 DC Tree Care & Landscaping 354.00 OALC (2021 Subscription) 172.26</p> <p>2. Receipts as follows to be noted: Hillwerke Trust - 2020 grass cutting contribution 750.00 HMRC - 2020 VAT reclaim 6909.33 SSE (Wayleaves Payment) 10.00</p> <p>3. The following payments to be approved (Costs include VAT): Clerk March Salary & HMRC/P.A.Y.E re: Clerk March salary Clerk 2020/21 Q4 Expenses 37.67 Clerk 2020/21 Mileage 12.15 Adam Bernstein 32.00 Ridgeway Rural Services 600.00 John Wyatt (Printer Ink) 39.95</p> <p>4. To approve payments for any invoices received after agenda publication.</p> <p>5. To note Budget 2020/2021 – v12 (MAR).</p> <p>6. To approve quote for £15.00 for update to Parish Logo, to include Copcourt (not on previous logo). Approved Unanimously.</p> <p>7. To confirm breakdown of Complete Weed Control quote (See minute 4.2)</p> <p>8. To approve quote from MK Watts for 2021 grass-cutting season @ £145 + VAT per cut. Approved unanimously and Cllr Sowerby to meet contractor prior to first cut re: exact areas to be cut.</p> <p>9. To agree transfer of banking to Unity Trust Bank following meeting and demonstration with Clerk and report circulated to councillors. Proposed PT, Seconded AB & passed.</p> <p>10. To note inc. quote from Ridgeway Rural Services for hardstanding at Crowell end of permissive path - larger area needed due to bad weather and deterioration at Crowell end. Path itself also to be re-seeded following heavy use during lockdowns. £100, inc. to £200.</p> <p>11. The current financial situation as at 31/Mar:</p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 70%;">Barclays Bank – Community Account</td> <td style="text-align: right;">24,414.64</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Barclays Bank – Business Saver Account</td> <td style="text-align: right;">1,095.90</td> </tr> <tr> <td>National Savings</td> <td style="text-align: right;">11,601.90</td> </tr> </table> <p>12. Reserves: See agenda for details.</p>	Barclays Bank – Community Account	24,414.64	Barclays Bank – Business Saver Account	1,095.90	National Savings	11,601.90	<p>All Noted.</p> <p>All Noted.</p> <p>All Approved.</p> <p>None.</p> <p>Noted.</p> <p>Clerk: advise Designer.</p> <p>Noted.</p> <p>Clerk: advise contractor accordingly.</p> <p>Clerk: to instigate.</p> <p>Noted.</p> <p>Note: Interest added to savings accounts since agenda.</p>
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10	<p>M40 - CHINNOR-PHOENIX TRAIL CYCLE TRACK - Report attached to minutes, following virtual meeting held on 25/March.</p>	Noted.						
11	<p>NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN -</p> <p>1. Minutes of last meeting (Mar'20) accepted as true record.</p> <p>2. In light of PCs decision to bring forward May meeting(s) NPSG to do the same.</p> <p>3. Consultation results from May'20 now being compiled. Suggestion put forward to check legal aspects in view of past challenges. For discussion at May meeting and thence to adoption by full PC before being put to SODC for approval.</p>	<p>AB: to website.</p> <p>PT: to arrange.</p> <p>PT/SS: to confer with NPSG.</p>						
12	<p>WEBSITE - proposal for additional info/photographs on councillor information page. Each councillor to provide a couple of brief sentences about themselves & photos to be arranged on a one day event by professional photographer. Approved.</p>	<p>All Cllrs.</p> <p>PT: discuss photos with Mark Lord</p>						
13	<p>COMMUNITY EVENT - proposal put forward for a parish event (eg. barbeque, picnic or open-air cinema) once lockdown is lifted to bring community together. Response to be gauged by article in next issue of Parish Note (copy date 15/May) & KBAR.</p>	<p>AB & MD: to collaborate & compose article.</p>						

14	<p>TRAFFIC CALMING -</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Cllr Wyatt attended virtual meeting with OCC Highways (report attached), seeking approval to go ahead and confirm proposals for at least the 20mph in A/Rowant village. Cllr Day advised next step would be detailed design work and public consultation for full chicane on B4009. Agreement unanimous, subject to confirmation of CIL money to come from C/Cllr Matelot. 2. Relocation of Kingston Blount VAS - working group to be set up to assess traffic speeds at certain points and times of day and establish where most needed and report back. 3. Complaint received via Cllr Wyatt re: warning marker on chicane coming into Kingston Blount from Crowell. One replacement of flattened sign and one to have reflective paint applied to make the other more noticeable at night. Report on Fix my Street. 	<p>Clerk: Confirm to Mike Horton @ OCC.</p> <p>PT & MD: liaise with C/Cllr re: CIL.</p> <p>PT: to liaise with MOP from 6.2.</p> <p>Clerk: to make report & monitor.</p>
15	<p>SALE OF SHEPHERDS CROOK PUB (IN CROWELL PARISH) - General discussion to update on any progress - much interest on Facebook page set up for this, but little actual action. Email to be sent to Crowell Parish Meeting to enquire in view of interest from this parish.</p>	<p>Clerk: to email as shown.</p>
16	<p>CORRESPONDENCE (not covered by agenda items):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. March Newsletter from John Howell MP. 2. Email regarding planning application P21/S0733/HH. 3. Email from SODC regarding resumption of litter picking. 4. Email from Better Broadband for Oxfordshire. 5. Email containing South & Vale Media Release re: developing a joint Local Plan to maximise plans for carbon neutrality and the climate and ecological emergency. 6. Email from SODC advising motions agreed at their meeting on 25/March. 7. Press release from SODC re: Moving Power Lines underground. 8. Press release from SODC re: Support for Community Facilities in Thame & Sonning Common. 9. Press release from SODC re: Financial Support to Leisure Facilities. 10. Email from parishioner re: cyclists on Moors Path. 11. Series of emails from Bledlow Ridge HWRC - info only. 12. Series of emails from parishioner re: Mechanical Street Cleaning. Arranged for Old Croft Close and Icknield Close. 13. Email from parishioner re: Traffic Calming measures. 14. Email from OCC Countryside Records Dept re: Rights of way over land at Home Farm, AR. 	<p>All noted.</p> <p>Specifically:</p> <p>3. Village litter pick arranged for 22/23 May.</p> <p>4. Interest in Openreach now up to 145.</p> <p>10. Parishioner has had position explained.</p> <p>12. Sweeper arranged for B4009 also to maximise SODC time/cost.</p>
17	<p>CLERK'S REPORT & AGENDA ITEMS FOR MAY 2021 - Nothing extra to report.</p>	
	<p>DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Wednesday 5th May 2021. Deadline for agenda items: 28/April.</p>	

The meeting was closed at 21:05