

MINUTES OF YARDLEY GOBION PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD 14th April 2020 via Zoom

- Present** Cllrs Ms L Stephenson (Chair), R Weston, J Hill, Ms L Llewellyn, I McCord & A Curtis.
- 4660** 1. **Apologies for Absence:** Cllrs G Phillips & D Novakovic.
COUNCIL MATTERS
- 4661** 2. **Declaration of Interest:** Cllr Stephenson declared an interest in Agenda item 6.1i and asked that Cllr Curtis take the chair for that item.
- 4662** 3. **Previous Meeting:**
3.1 The Minutes of Meeting held 3.3.20 were approved by all Cllrs, and agreed/signed as a correct record.
3.2 Matters arising: None.
- 4663** 4. OPEN FORUM: Notes attached. Opened 4.04pm. Closed 4.10pm.
- 4664** 5. PLANNING MATTERS
5.1 Applications received:
a) S/2020/0326/FUL – Moorgate Farm. Variation of conditions 4 & 8 of planning permission S/2019/1579FUL. Noted.
b) S/2020/0432/FUL – 12 Warren Road. Bespoke garden room. After discussion Cllr Weston proposed the PC object as follows ‘The description on the application is for a ‘garden room’, however this clearly appears to be back -land development to create 2 distinctly separate dwellings on the plot. The plans show a separate residence, with kitchen, living room & wet room. Previous correspondence received from the Applicant clearly states that it is their intention to move into the new building once built allowing their family to occupy the existing house. We are concerned about the overall size of the development in relation to the size of the plot and would request that any concerns raised by neighbours are taken into account when determining the application. The plans do not show the proposed orientation of the building on the plot. The application does not indicate the intended use of the building. If the Council is minded to allow this application then we request a condition that the properties cannot be sold separately.’ Seconded by Cllr Stephenson. Cllrs McCord & Curtis abstained; all other Cllrs in favour.
c) S/2020/0561/TCA – 12 Moorend Road. Crown reduction of walnut tree. Noted.
- 4665** 6. **Finance Matters** – Cllr Curtis took the Agenda for item 6.1
6.1 ACCOUNTS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT:
a) Clerk’s salary March 20 = £391.12 (001332).
b) PAYE Tax = £87.20 (001333)
c) Clerk’s expenses = £6.50 (stamps) (001334).
d) Mrs Schumacher – caretaking of play areas and pocket park – March 20 = £50.00 (001335).
e) BT – broadband - £30.50 – (paid by direct debit.)
f) Viking – stationery - £45.71 + £9.14 VAT = £54.85 (001336).
g) DNH Contracts – dog bins Feb & March - £129.12 + £25.82 VAT = £154.94 (001337).
h) Mr D Allen – May trees = £82.44 (001338)
i) Ms L Stephenson – mobile telephone for volunteer use = £40.00 (001339)
j) E.on – lighting maintenance - £134.23 + £26.85 = £161.08 (001340)
k) Enterprise Inns plc – Coffee Pot field rent - £10.00 + £2.00 VAT = £12.00 (001341).
l) CPRE – annual subscription = £36.00 (001342)
m) E.on – street lighting - £758.49 + £151.70 VAT = £910.19 (001343).
Proposed by Cllr Weston and seconded by Cllr Hill. Authorised by all Councillors.
- 6.2 OTHER
a) Bank balances as at last statements – Lloyds - £31,189.00 (13.3.20) SW - £2,088.07 (1.1.20).
b) Workplace Pension scheme. The Clerk did not wish to be placed in a Workplace Pension scheme.
- 4666** 7. Councillor Reports:
a) HIGHWAYS – Cllr Hill reported that potholes in Hesketh Road had been repaired, but there were still others in Chestnut Road. Cllr McCord noted there were potholes near Aurora & The Poplar in Moorend Road. Moorend Road was scheduled to be closed at the end of the month, but this had been postponed.
b) MOWING – Cllr Curtis reported that the first cut had been carried out. Cllr McCord noted some cuttings left on paths, but it appeared these were due to the mowing being carried out in the rain and had not caused a problem.
c) STREET LIGHTING – Nothing to report.
d) VILLAGE TREES – Being monitored.
e) ALLOTMENTS – Cllr Curtis reported these were being used, and advice on how to stay safe provided by the National Allotment Society was available on the gate and noticeboard. Thanks were due to George, Jamie, Roland & Luke for building & erecting the owl box, which was now in place.
f) VILLAGE HALL – Cllr Curtis reported that this was closed, but being checked once a week to ensure it remained safe. Cllr McCord advised there was a Government scheme which may help with funds to replace lost revenue & would pass the details to Cllr Curtis. **IM**
g) RECREATION CENTRE – Cllr Weston advised this was also closed, together with the play area. He had cleaned the bonfire site.
h) PC RESPONSE TO CORONA VIRUS – Cllr Stephenson reported that a leaflet drop around the village had been carried out, which gave specific website addresses and details of the emergency village ‘corona’ phone. Thanks were due to Kelly Israel who was heading up the village volunteers who collected prescriptions and facilitated and assisted residents. Cllr Hill was

appreciative of the prescription collection assistance. Information was regularly posted on Facebook sites and Cllr Stephenson would also post information concerning the SNFEA South Northants Food and Education Alliance: Emergency Community Larder provision. Additionally, she understood that there would be a further leaflet from Local Resilience Forum in Northamptonshire for distribution. Cllr McCord advised there would be correspondence from Andrea Leadsom. He thanked everyone who had assisted the community in the past weeks and said it was a great response from the village.

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8. Date of next meeting:

a) TBA

Meeting closed 4.40 pm.

OPEN FORUM

As District Cllr, Cllr McCord advised that SNC was working on the response to Covid 19. Meetings were continuing with NCC to try and co-ordinate information. A temporary mortuary had been set up. With regard to local government reform, new orders would be issued to create the shadow council from existing Members, and the start date of the Unitary authority would still be 1.4.21. Waste and Planning were continuing as usual, and an injunction had been granted for the site on the A508. Cllr Stephenson asked Cllr McCord to pass on thanks from the PC for this speedy action.