# PATTISHALL PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Parish Council virtual meeting held on Thursday, 11th June 2020

**PRESENT:** Mr B. Evans, Chairman Dr M. Gardner, Vice-Chairman

Mr. R. Hart Mr D. Keeble Mr David Hodges Mr M. Mitton Cllr R. Clarke Ms J. Hawtin

Mr P. Parris

**Meeting Host,** Ann Addison (Parish Clerk) Who asked that members of the public who wanted to raise an issue, to state their name before speaking.

In the Chair, Mr B. Evans, Chairman, who welcomed everyone to the June virtual meeting of the Parish Council. Mr Evans reminded everyone that Parish Council meeting can now be recorded by the public as long as this did not disrupt the running of the meeting.

• A 15 minute slot under **Parishioners Points** has been allocated for members of the public to raise any issues, queries or questions

**ATTENDING:** NCC Cllr Adam Brown, Mrs F. Mytton, Mrs I Illingworth

**APOLOGIES** – Reasons for absence to be declared No apologies received

PARISHIONERS POINTS: None raised

#### DECLARATION OF INTERESTS - Interest & nature of interest to be declared

J. Hawtin – Works for Kierwsp

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:** These had been previously circulated & were duly proposed, seconded and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

#### **COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILORS REPORTS**

#### **NCC Cllr Adam Brown**

- Small businesses to be allowed to reopen shortly
- Charges to be reinstated in NCC car parks
- £351,000 has been received from Central Government towards promoting /increasing cycling & walking initiatives.
- New West Northants Shadow Authority now in operation
- Has been appointed to the task & finish group for environmental matters

### SNC Cllr R. Clarke

• Majority of SNC staff are still working from home

#### **MATTERS FOR REPORT – Arising from the Minutes:**

#### Gigaclear

#### **Church Street & The Crescent works.**

- a) A site visit was arranged between residents & Gigaclear on Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> June, attended by Parish Councillor P. Parris.
- b) Agreement finalised & Gigaclear would be digging trenches on the other side of the road, avoiding the footpaths and 17<sup>th</sup> century houses.
- c) Further information received. Gigaclear to consider alternative works agreed with residents & PC representative are too expensive & alternative arrangement to be made.
- d) New works will be discussed with residents.

- e) Gigaclear are considering putting Church Street cables 'overhead' Height of vehicles will have to be considered.
- f) Reinstatement work throughout the Parish. Some concerns have been raised
- g) NCC Cllr A. Brown to contact NCC Cabinet Member regarding the Gigaclear situation.

### **Allotments Association – Liaison – B. Evans**

- a) All plots taken. A waiting list is in operation
- b) Lot of activity & all plots being well worked

## Lighting – R. Clarke, Parish Clerk

- a) Light by Methodist Church on all day matter reported to E.ON
- b) PC Members to report out of order street lights in their areas to the Clerk.
- c) R. Hart will cover Pattishall

### VAS Signs - P. Parris

- a) Contact made with TWM regarding possible upgrading one of the signs to solar power
- b) New pole would be needed
- c) Cost of project @ £400.00 + £250.00 fitting charge + cost of a new pole.
- d) It was agreed not to move to solar power
- e) Moveable VAS to be placed at Birds Hill Road for the start of the school year in September

#### Highways – D. Hodges

- a) Astcote High Street was closed to repair a water leak.
- b) No road repairs have been undertaken by NCC Highways recently

### Grass Cutting - D. Keeble

- a) Request from resident for mowing contractor to remove / blow grass cuttings off the footpaths.
- b) Query if contractor is cutting too far back towards the wild life areas. It was noted that land owners often cut verges close to hedge boundaries.
- c) Greenway hedge overgrown. D. Keeble will check
- d) B. Evans will contact Dean Manning to ask him to help with the tidy-up.
- e) D. Hodges to send the Clerk details of the farmer who owns the field on the left hand side of Greenway.
- f) Hedge at the Old Burial Ground quote from Luke @ £140.00 to hand weed & spray agreed by all. D. Keeble to contact Luke

#### **Village Maintenance** – R. Hart – all work up to date

#### **School Liaison** – J. Hawtin

- a) School sends thanks for the new flag pole
- b) Years 1 & 6 are going back to school
- c) New roof for 2 school buildings
- d) 60 dumped tyres in Astcote have been collected by the school & are being used for children's play.
- e) J. Hawtin to thank the Head Teacher for arranging to move the tyres.

### **Pre-School Liaison** – B. Evans – nothing to report

### **Playground Equipment** – J. Hawtin

- a) Clerk has contacted SNC regarding grant application for Booth Close equipment. A new 'Expression of Interest' form has been completed & returned to SNC Grants division.
- b) John Hicks, external equipment inspector unable to undertake further work. Clerk has contacted Keith Dalton to inspect the 3 play areas this year.
- c) New application form received. Clerk will contact SNC for help.

#### **Hedges & Trees** – R. Clarke, P. Parris

- a) Request from A. Atkin to cut back over grown trees & bushes on verge in Gayton Road. P. Parris to speak with Ann Atkins. To note cutting back trees & bushes on hold due to nesting birds.
- b) Clerk has contacted NCC 'Fix My Street'
- c) Tree in Simons Walk reported to 'Fix My Street' request from residents for it to be heavily cut back. Acknowledgement received.
- d) Request for Tree on Rights of Way behind Simons Walk to be cut back due to potential damage to garage roof. Rights of Way & Fix my Street informed.

e) Tree in School Road encroaching onto the footpath. B. Evans to cut it back.

### Hedges & Trees continued from page 93:

f) D. Keeble to look at overgrowth at 58 School Road & 31 School Road

#### **New Burial Ground**

- a) Site visit pending
- b) Replanting scheme to be discussed

### Public Footpaths – J. Woollett & J. Russell

- a) Way markers requested & ordered from NCC Rights of Way
- b) There is a 6 week waiting list.

#### **Around Pattishall** – B. Evans

a) Bumper summer edition

# **Dog Fouling Signs**

- a) Stick on signs ordered from SNC to be sent to P. Parris received
- b) P. Parrish will check on all signs & note where new signs are needed.
- c) Concern that dog fouling has increased throughout the Parish
- d) Suggestion could put medical advice on dog fouling in Around Pattishall & on the website.
- e) Clerk to ask Stocksigns if they can produce landscape signs.

# PARISH HALL / PLAYING FIELDS – I. Illingworth

#### **Parish Hall:**

- Weekly maintenance & cleaning continuing
- Large hall is being partly decorated along with the disabled toilet
- Covid 19 risk assessment to be carried out
- Pre School may not return until September
- Have applied for a Retail, Hospitality & Leisure grant Covid 19 from SNC as have lost 3 months revenue @ approx. £6K

### **Playing Field**

- Car park project is being reassessed in light of available funding
- Sixfield Rangers & GLK football are training under Covid 19 guidelines
- The pavilion has been redecorated inside & out voluntarily by M. Fleck, but is still closed
- Work on cricket nets & matting due to take place shortly. Machinery to be used so area fenced off for safety
- Play equipment barriers monitored
- Gate closed except for football practice
- Covid 19 notices have been put on fences & tennis courts
- Produce Show is still on track decision to be made in August.

### **PLANNING:**

Application	Location	Proposal	Comments
APP/Z2830/W/20/3248569	19 Shoemaker Close	2 storey side ext. with NB: Application	
S/2019/2364/FUL		change of use in strip	refused by SNC.
		of land to side of	Applicant has appealed
		dwelling from agriclt.	PC comments
		to residential	
S/2020/0829/FUL	Swallow Barn,	Change of use of barn	PC Comments:
	Bugbrooke Rd.	residential +internal	No observations
		alterations to add ext.	
		of exist. dwelling to it	
S/2020/0917/PA	Harefield Farm	To determine if prior	PC Comments:
		notice is required for	• Transport concerns
		change of use of barn	due to narrow roads
		to flexible use	

**To note**: It is understood that the Manor Farm applicants have written to SNC's Jim Newton, Assistant Director of Planning & Economy regarding the refusal of their application.

FINANCE: Bank Balances: a) Community a/c £41,494.64

b) Business Premium a/c £16,214.19

**Received** L.P. Finn – memorial tablet £40.00

It was proposed, seconded and resolved to pay the following invoices

Chq. No.	Pavee	Information	Amount	VAT	Total
	•			VAI	
1880	HMRC	Clerk's PAYE	78.80		78.80
1881	The Ground Care Co.	Grass mowing	1125.00	225.00	1350.00
1882	P. Parris	S137 School flag pole	148.00	29.60	177.60
1883	A. Addison (Clerk)	Salary & Expenses	315.20	52.13	367.33
1884	Barbara Osborne	Payroll Services	66.00		66.00

#### **COUNCILLORS REPORTS:**

- New flag pole outside the school, sourced & installed by P. Parris
- Burglary reported in Eastcote
- Activities Keep fit club to start activities on the playing field from 20<sup>th</sup> June. All welcome to join in.
- Members were pleased to see Fiona Mytton at the meeting.

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at: 9.10 pm

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: THURSDAY, 9<sup>th</sup> JULY 2020, 7.30 pm. To Note: It is more than likely this will also be a virtual meeting

Signed:	Date:	
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