



Whiteparish Parish Council

MINUTES of the virtual Zoom meeting of Whiteparish Parish Council held on Tuesday 17th November at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllr King (Chairman) and Cllrs Hayday, Bishop, Bell, McFarland, Herrett, Palmer, Sutherland, Francis and Randall.

In attendance: Mrs Maria Pennington, Parish Clerk. Unitary Cllr Richard Britton.
There were three members of the public present.

Public questions

A member of the public expressed concerns regarding the communications from the Parish Council regarding the fencing of common land at The Pound and updated the Parish Council on their understanding of the situation at present.

The Chairman opened the meeting at 7.35pm.

Apologies

293/20 There were no apologies received.

Declaration of Interests

294/20 Cllr Herrett declared a personal interest in agenda item 14. To consider a request for community recognition as he knows the person.

295/20 Cllr King declared a personal interest in agenda item 8. To consider a response to an application to add a footpath – Whiteparish (The Drove) Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 – Section 53 as he is a trustee of Whiteparish Education Foundation Trust which has agricultural land in its portfolio, and he is also a farmer and a landowner.

296/20 Cllr King declared a personal interest in agenda item 18 as he knows a landowner concerned.

297/20 Cllrs Hayday and Herrett declared a personal interest in agenda item 18 as they know the landowner.

Exclusion of the press and public. To agree any items to be dealt with after the public, including the press, have been excluded under the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 and Local Government Act 1972 ss100

298/20 Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to discuss items 13 To consider the grounds maintenance renewal contract (consideration of tenders), 18 To consider and resolve the purchase of land for a potential cemetery further to receiving the solicitors report (potential purchase of assets) and 20 To consider and resolve recommendations from the Staffing Committee (staffing matters) following the exclusion of the press and public.

Acceptance of minutes of virtual meeting held 13th October 2020

299/20 Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to approve the Minutes of the virtual meeting held on 13th October 2020 and they will be signed by the Chairman when safe and practicable.

Acceptance of minutes of virtual Staffing Committee meeting held 10th November 2020

300/20 Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to approve the Minutes of the virtual Staffing Committee meeting held on 10th November 2020 and they will be signed by the Staffing Committee Chair when safe and practicable.

Planning and enforcement

301/20 The Chairman updated on enforcement regarding the dwelling being built in the garden of Forest View. One of the conditions of the permission was that it had to comply with the nitrate offset regulations and the developer has to plant 1.14 acres of woodland and the planning consent specifically says that this area of land, very close to the site, has to be fenced off prior to development starts on site. Works have started and the developer has not fenced the area, Wiltshire Council enforcement have been advised and they have come back and stated they do not feel it is particularly relevant at this stage – there is not a big enough breach to stop development even though the planning conditions clearly state that it should be fenced off before development starts. This is the first dwelling in Whiteparish that the nitrate offset regulations have come into force and we have asked Wiltshire Council if this will now apply to every new dwelling built in Whiteparish as the village is in the River Test catchment area.

302/20, 253/20 The Chairman advised there continues to be concerns of HGV's causing issues at The Ferns, Common Road, formerly the BKG Haulage site. Wiltshire Council enforcement have advised that BKG was dissolved in September and investigations are ongoing as to whether the Section 106 agreement between BKG and the local former planning authority is still enforceable. The Parish Council has been asked by the New Forest National Park enforcement department to monitor the parking of trailers and containers on the access road for a period of 3 months. There seems to be difficulties in taking action on lorries parking on Common Road waiting to access the site.

To consider a response to planning applications received:

303/20 20/08312/FUL 19 Green Close Whiteparish SP5 2SB Erection of a two-storey side extension, single storey rear extension, changes to porch and detached garage. Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to object to this application and recommends refusal for the following reasons:

- We note the highways comments on the number of parking spaces required for a dwelling with this number of bedrooms and the size of the garage and we propose refusal on the grounds that there is not sufficient off-road parking space.
- We also object to the garage being placed prominently in front of the dwelling.

The Parish Council has received several complaints on parking in this area of Green Close from residents in the past year.

304/20 20/08585/FUL The Garden House Dean Lane Whiteparish SP5 2RJ Proposed Garage extension/loft conversion with link to House - Proposed Porch - Proposed Internal changes, proposed bi-fold doors at rear.

Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to make no comment to this application.

305/20 20/09481/TCA Teapot Cottage, The Street, Whiteparish, SP5 2SG Acer (T1) - Reduce crown by up to 1.5m from extremities. Willow(T2) - Pollard. Spruce (T3) – Fell. Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to make no comment to this application.

To consider a response to planning applications received:

306/20 20/09946/TCA Nunns Orchard, Dean Lane, Whiteparish, SP5 2RJ

T1 - Eucalyptus tree - pollard to 10m.

Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to make no comment to this application.

To consider a response to an application to add a footpath – Whiteparish (The Drove)

Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 – Section 53

307/20, 271/20 After a discussion Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED, with one against from Cllr King and one abstention from Cllr Bell, to make no comment.

To update on breach of common land legislation at The Pound, Common Road

308/20, 207/20 The Chairman updated that the Parish Council, as previously agreed, has followed the Open Spaces Society guidance to try and resolve the situation at The Pound with the Parish Council writing again to the landowner. The information received in public participation this evening is new information regarding deregistration and the Clerk will contact the landowners to ask for written confirmation, reporting back at a future Parish Council meeting.

Finance update

309/20 The Clerk advised no update.

To review and approve the Financial Regulations

310/20 The Clerk reported that further to the internal auditors' recommendation an amendment be made to the Financial Regulations – Instructions for the making of payments. Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to approve the amendment to the Financial Regulations.

To approve accounts for payment and to record the bank balances

311/20 Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to authorise payments totalling £3,189.25

Community Account Balance 17.11.20 - £69,296.42

Business Reserve 17.11.20 - £62,284.94

To consider a request for community recognition

312/20 Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to write a public letter of thanks to a long serving village volunteer.

To review and approve the Community Emergency Plan

313/20 Cllr Bishop reported that there were some minor amendments to the Community Emergency Plan which had been circulated prior to the meeting. Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to approve the amended Community Emergency Plan.

Rights of Way and Common Land update

314/20, 280/20 The Clerk advised that Wiltshire Council ROW have stated since our last meeting that members of the Ramblers have replaced the broken stiles on ROW 10 with kissing gates. The Clerk has thanked the Ramblers. A councillor advised there is now an electric fence across part of ROW 10 connected to an old cattle crush and also several other stiles before you get to the kissing gates. The Clerk will report these issues to Wiltshire Council.

315/20, 276/20 ROW 22 is now clear.

316/20 The Clerk advised a stile on ROW 6 between Lion Cottage towards the A36 has been reported as it has rotten posts and an additional step is needed.

317/20, 279/20 A councillor advised the stile at ROW 4 has still not been repaired.

318/20 A councillor reported a dangerous stile at ROW 38, near Lockerley as you enter the woods.

Highways update

319/20 The Clerk advised that there is a dumped caravan with tyres inside, and a fridge at the layby near Richmond Farm A27. Cllr Herrett advised it had been removed earlier today.

320/20 The Clerk reported that Wiltshire Council have agreed to raise the crowns of the trees that overhang the public footpath near Newton Bungalows to make it safe for pedestrians.

321/20 The Clerk reported the large directional road sign had fallen over on the A27 near to Brickworth junction. Wiltshire Council are to re-instate.

322/20, 282/20, 231/20, 309/19, 281/19 Wiltshire Council Highways advised they had to patch again outside Newton Bungalows as there was still slight puddling.

323/20, 234/20 Cllr Hayday reported that some hedge cutting has taken place along Newton Lane however part of it continues to have overgrowing vegetation.

To review the Staffing Committee Terms of Reference

324/20 The Chairman asked for this item to be deferred to a future Parish Council meeting.

325/20 Reports from representatives:

School: Cllr Bell advised no report has been received.

Memorial Trust: Cllr Hayday gave a report on the Memorial Trust.

New Forest National Park: Cllr Palmer had circulated her report prior to the meeting.

Whiteparish Education Foundation: Cllr Palmer advised nothing new to report.

Neighbourhood Tasking Group: Cllr Bishop advised there has not been a meeting. The Clerk read out a statement from the local Police which will be included in the Steeple and Street.

Youth: Cllr Sutherland advised the Youth Group will not be considering meeting until Spring 2021.

Area Board: Unitary Cllr Britton reported on the recent Parish Council mini event. The next Area Board meeting is 28th January 2021 with a CATG meeting on 2nd December. There is also a meeting of Wiltshire Council on 24th November to decide on the composition of the new Area Boards effective with the elections in May next year.

Correspondence/communications update

326/20 The Clerk circulated the update prior to the meeting.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 21.30pm.

The next meeting is to be held on Tuesday, 15th December 2020 at 7.30pm via Zoom (provisional)