



Whiteparish Parish Council

MINUTES of the virtual Zoom meeting of Whiteparish Parish Council held on Tuesday 28th April at 7.30pm.

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

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

Public questions

There were no public questions.

The Chairman opened the meeting at 7.30pm.

Apologies

75/20 There were no apologies.

Declaration of Interests

76/20 There were no declarations of interest.

Acceptance of minutes of meeting held 25th February 2020

77/20 Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 25th February 2020 and they will be signed by the Chairman when safe and practicable.

To consider a response to planning applications received:

78/20 20/02342/FUL Pen Y Bryn, Clay Street, Whiteparish SP5 2ST.

Demolition of existing conservatory and lean-to store, and construction of front, rear and side extension with roof conversion.

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

Planning and enforcement update

79/20 The Clerk reported that the arrival of two caravans and occupants at Tricky's Paddock has been reported to Wiltshire Council enforcement. Due to the present circumstance's enforcement officers are not making site visits. It was agreed for the Clerk to write to Wiltshire Council expressing general frustration with enforcement issues. Unitary Councillor Britton noted Cllr Palmer's suggestion that Wiltshire Council enforcement may be an idea for a future Area Board meeting.

Finance update

80/20 The Clerk advised there was no update.

To complete and approve the Annual Governance Statement 2019/2020 to auditors

81/20 The Chairman read out the Annual Governance statements and Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to agree with the statements and they will be signed by the Chairman and the Clerk when safe and practicable.

To confirm and approve the Accounting Statements 2019/2020 to auditors

82/20 Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to approve the Accounting Statements 2019/20 to auditors and they will be signed by the Chairman and the Clerk when safe and practicable.

To approve accounts for year ended 31st March 2020

83/20 Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to approve the accounts for year ended 31st March 2020 and they will be signed by the Chairman and the Clerk when safe and practicable

To approve a monthly Zoom subscription to enable virtual meetings

84/20 The Clerk advised the monthly subscription cost is £11.99 excluding VAT. Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to approve a monthly Zoom subscription to enable virtual meetings

To approve accounts for payment and to record the bank balances

85/20 The Clerk reported that the accounts were from 26th February to date. Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to authorise payments totalling £3,004.35.

Community Account Balance 28.04.20 - £57,061.74

Business Reserve 28.04.20 - £62,259.60

To review and approve the Community Emergency Plan

86/20 Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to devise an invitation, the wording of which to be delegated to the Clerk in conjunction with the Chairman, to ask for volunteers to give assistance in the event of a possible future emergency.

87/20 Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to approve the Community Emergency Plan and for the Clerk to contact Wiltshire Council regarding lists of vulnerable people in Whiteparish.

ROW and Common Land update

88/20 The Clerk advised that she continues to receive reports of dangerous stiles and blocked rights of way. The landowners have been contacted, along with subsequent reports to Wiltshire Council Rights of Way as necessary. When safe and practicable it was agreed to ask for volunteers for a ROW working party to be formed.

To note that due to HM Government's measures for Covid-19 no Annual Parish Meeting is able to be held and to resolve to approve that this be deferred until March 2021

89/20 Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED that the Annual Parish Meeting be deferred until March 2021 due to no meeting being able to be held in the legally required period of between 1st March and 1st June under the current Covid-19 emergency measures.

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Correspondence/communications update

91/20 The Clerk circulated the update prior to the meeting.

The next meeting is to be held on Tuesday, 26th May 2020 at 7.30pm via Zoom (provisional)

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.20pm.