

Welford-on-Avon Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday 2nd June 2020 at 7:15 p.m.

For the health and well-being of our community, as a result of the Covid-19 crisis and following the instruction of the Prime Minister's address on 23rd March 2020, all Parish Council meetings will be held remotely until further notice. Welford on Avon Parish Council will be using Zoom software to facilitate the holding of meetings. All meetings will be recorded using the Zoom software.

Present: Cllr S Carter, Cllr Hockaday, Cllr M Lake, Cllr N Kennedy, Cllr C Barbour, Clerk Mrs A Street

In attendance: Cllr M Brain, Cllr M Perteghella

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Public Participation:

Item	
1.	Apologies – None
2.	Declarations of Interest – Chiltons 20/01235/FUL (Cllr Hockaday, Cllr Kennedy), Orchard Nurseries 20/01005/VARY & Orchard Lodge 20/01291/FUL (Cllr Carter)
3.	Approval of Minutes The minutes were accepted as a true record of the meeting of 5 th May 2019 and electronically signed by the Chairman. Proposed – Cllr Barbour Seconded – Cllr Hockaday
4.	Matters arising not covered elsewhere on the agenda None
5.	County Councillor's Report – Campden Road Closure Garden Centre – now postponed until Autumn 2020. Cllr Brain has helped to secure funding for 40 families requiring home to school transport in the Bidford area. Footpath resurfacing work in Welford – preparation work is underway. District Councillor's Report – 27 May was the first pilot virtual meeting of Stratford District Council with a limited number of members present. The next meeting will be a full council virtual meeting in July. Other Committees (incl Planning) should then soon follow suit with virtual meetings to be instated soon. SDC has made Business Rates Grant Relief payments to more than 2000 businesses. A new Discretionary Business Rates Scheme will go live on Mon 8th June for 3 weeks open to those businesses who couldn't apply for the Bus Rates Grant Scheme. Waste & recycling centre is now open and operating on a booking system.

Biodiversity – Warwickshire Ecology team could help to support a village biodiversity plan for Cress Hill and other areas. Cllr Perteghella will confirm contact details.

Planning – the Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation SDP will be debated and possibly adopted, at July meeting. Cllr Perteghella will up-date the PC further after this meeting.

Site Allocations Plan (SAP) should have been submitted to the examination board at end of 2019, but due to issues relating to housing and school place availability in Southam, the SAP may have to be re-consulted in September.

Weston House – Cllr Perteghella has submitted her objection to this planning application, including some new evidence about the historical relevance of this building.

Cllr Perteghella and the Parish Council are in contact with Planning Enforcement officers regarding several planning breaches at the new Duchy Homes development.

Cllr Perteghella has been appointed Shadow Parish Champion and will sit on the Climate Change panel.

Sarah Whalley-Hoggins is the new Portfolio Holder for Parish Councils.
Action - write to her to introduce PC and invite her to join a future meeting.

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Planning
6.1 Report of Planning Notices received from Stratford DC

REFERENCE	ADDRESS – PROPOSAL	SDC DECISION
20/00684/FUL	Brookwood, Binton Rd - New front and side infill extension.	Permission with Conditions
20/00956/TREE	Grafton House, Church St - -T1 hazel - Fell. -T2 pear tree - Fell. -T3 conifer - Crown lift to 2.25 m above ground. -T4 Fell dead trees (elms) on property boundary.	Consent with Conditions
20/00942/FUL	Peach Cottage, Church Lane - Replacement of conservatory with single storey rear extension.	Consent with Conditions

6.2 Report of Planning Applications Previously Considered

REFERENCE	ADDRESS – PROPOSAL	PC RESPONSE
None	No Planning Meeting in May	

6.3 Consideration of Planning Applications received from Stratford District Council

REFERENCE	ADDRESS – PROPOSAL	PC RESPONSE
20/01227/TREE	Footpath to West Boundary Of Applegarth House, Church Lane - T1 elder - Fell	SUPPORT
20/01235/FUL	Chiltons Headland Rd - Demolition of existing dwelling. Erection of replacement dwelling to same design as approved by planning permission reference 18/03475/FUL	SUPPORT
20/01005/VARY	Orchard Nurseries Duck Lane - Variation of conditions 2 (approved plans), 4 (material samples), 5 (hard and soft landscaping), 6 (boundary treatments), 8 (existing and proposed levels), 9 (foul and surface water), 13 (land contamination), 15 (fire hydrants), 16 (external lighting), 17 (landscape management plan) of planning permission 19/01751/FUL (17/12/19). Original description of development: Demolition of	OBJECT

	<p>7.2 Any other finance matters</p> <p>Monthly Bank Reconciliation approved by Cllr Lake</p> <p>7.2.1 – Approval of Annual Accounts 2019/20 Unanimously Approved – Proposed: Cllr Lake Propose, Seconded: Cllr Barbour</p> <p>7.2.2 – Approval of Annual Governance Statement 2019/20 Unanimously Approved and duly signed.</p> <p>7.2.3 – Approval of Accounting Statement 2019/20 Unanimously Approved and duly signed.</p> <p>ACTION to review and up-date PC Asset Register</p>
8.	<p>Project Updates from Councillors</p> <p>Cress Hill – It was agreed that an urgent on-site meeting is needed to discuss work plan and authorisation procedures between Parish Council and key workers & suppliers. ACTION – Clerk to arrange meeting and reiterate correct working procedures to all parties.</p> <p>ACTION – Parish Council to move 2 tonnes of sand at back of The Bell car park.</p>
9.	<p>Review Previous Actions</p>
10.	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>It was agreed that as Covid restrictions begin to be lifted, the Parish Council should start the process for co-opting new members for the 2 current Councillor vacancies.</p> <p>Strimmer – It was agreed in principle that the PC should purchase a strimmer (approx. £600-700) and necessary protective equipment to support general up-keep and maintenance in the village. ACTION – Cllr Barbour to confirm details and purchase.</p>
11.	<p>Dates of Future Meetings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 23rd June - Planning Committee Meeting • 7th July - Parish Council Meeting

Meeting closed at: 9.25 pm