

Broadhembury Parish Council

Minutes of a Virtual Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 19th MAY 2020 using the Zoom platform at 7.30p.m..

Present: Cllrs. B. Nelson (Chairman), Mrs. E. Bradshaw (Deputy) V. Game, N. Howgill, C. Ledward A. McArdle, A. Powell, Mrs. D. Rees, Mr. D. Wicks and K. Granger (Clerk) and 3 members of the public.

1. Apologies None

2. Minutes of the last meeting on the 21st January 2020 were signed correct.

3. Matters Arising (dealt with elsewhere) None

4. Public Discussion, Reports, DC, EDDC, Police

Public Discussion: Cllr. Wicks reported on a complaint from a parishioner that of HGV vehicles driving through the village. He was in contact with the Police over this matter.

DC. None

EDDC. None

Police None

5. Planning report: Cllr. Bradshaw reported 3 Applications since the last meeting all of which we supported, however, commented on the height of App. No. 20/0776/FUL at Colliton Cross.

6. Correspondence (dealt with elsewhere): Cllr. Nelson reported on a letter from Mr. M Drew over EDDC Heritage Policy and had replied that it would be reflected in the Neighbourhood Plan. He also reported we had received many complaints over a roadside verge at Kerswell which appeared to have been sprayed with weed killer. Cllr. Howgill had investigated and spoken with the farmer/contractor involved, and four relevant environment agencies had been informed.

7. Neighbourhood Plan resolutions:

Resolution 1. To adopt the BHAONB Design Guide available at AONB website' Cllr. Nelson said all Cllrs. have seen the Design Guide. This was formerly accepted.

Resolution 2. To approve the setting up of a sub-committee to advise on whether or not and if so how to set up a CLT. Cllr. Nelson said we advertised for people to come forward if they would like to join the group and 13 have asked to do so, all have received info.. on how to proceed.

Cllr. Game proposed and Cllr. Bradshaw seconded.

Resolution 3. To provisionally set aside a 'call facility' to fund the work of the sub-committee: Cllr. Nelson said we should seek legal advice on cost which may in time be able to be recovered from a grant, Cllr. Nelson proposed we set aside £3000 from our funds, in case needed. Cllr. Rees supported this and it was seconded by Cllr. Mrs. Bradshaw

Cllr. Nelson to redraft our Neighbourhood Plan accordingly and write the Compliance report. The Chairman said that he would need another person to draft the accompanying the Communications Report.

8. Climate alleviation ideas. Can any be progressed: Cllr. Nelson said we had received several ideas on how to help locally with climate change. The top suggestions from the public, were a Repair Café, Branded mugs and a water pump in the Memorial Hall car park, a tree nursery at our Primary School and a green electricity buying group. The Chairman said he hoped members of the public may take on a particular project and form a group of helpers to assist. Community allotments were thought to be very popular however the land would need to become available before that could be thought of seriously. Suggestion to be reviewed regularly to see if any could be taken forward..

9. Dulford traffic report, Next steps: Cllr. Ledward had been in contact with Police over traffic speed through the hamlet and hoping to set up a meeting with the Police Highways, & local MP to get started on camera patrol system, he has 14 volunteers to work a shift system but many, or all, have to be trained up by a relevant Sergeant Cllr. Howgill thinks he may have knowledge of the driver that knocked over the Dulford sign and would investigate a little more, not least as to where the sign went.

10. To approve the audit report 2019/2020 for signing (report attached): Cllrs. requested more information on how the figures on the accounting statements broke down. The Clerk/RFO reported this was not a problem and would report back at the next meeting.

11. To review the budget 2020/21 (attached): Cllr. Nelson produced the budget for 20/21 which all Cllrs. had received. Agreed

12. To review grants for 20/21: Clerk reported on one request from the Parish Church for help with grass cutting cost through this coming financial year, however since these accounts had not been finalised, this request will be carried forward to our July meeting.

13. ROSPA reports on playgrounds. Action required: Cllr. Wicks reported on action being taken at Broadhembury after the report which should meet requirements, however, it was thought at Kerswell residents themselves should be asked how to take their play area forward, we as a parish Council incur considerable cost for maintenance to meet insurance requirements. Maybe a letter to all residents stating the situation and asking for ideas how to carry this forward.

14. AOB (For information only) Cllr. Rees reported County were undertaking work required on our parish paths/bridleways this year, due to the virus, we as a PC may not be fully covered should our lengthsman fall ill during work for us. Not sure who would be liable for cost.

The meeting closed at 8.29p.m.