

WROUGHTON PARISH COUNCIL



PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the meeting held on 16 November 2020 at 7:30pm
Virtual Zoom meeting

Present

Cllr J Hewer
Cllr L Campisano
Cllr G Overbury
Cllr L Gough
Cllr J King
Cllr N Hooper
Cllr D Hooper
Cllr C Clark
Cllr H Dosanjh
Cllr D Martyn
Cllr D Phillips
Cllr P Bhardwaj

Ward Cllr B Ford

Clerk

Emma Freemantle

Public

There were no members of the public present.

FC/309

Apologies

Apologies were received from Ward Cllr C Martyn.
Cllr L Gough, Cllr A Richards and Cllr G Overbury.

FC/310

Declarations of Interest & Applications for Dispensation

Cllr C Clark declared an interest in agenda number 11, the BMX Wroughton Flood Light Report.

FC/312

Public Questions

There were no members of the public present.

FC/313

Benjamin's Smile

Rebecca Madden struggles to access the meeting, the Clerk suggested that the introduction take place during the week with a follow up zoom meeting.

FC/314

Minutes

Members **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes from the Full Council meeting on 19 October 2020.

FC/315

Chairs Report

The Chair provided a report a copy of which appears as Appendix A in the Minute Book.

FC/316

Ward Councillor Update

Members **NOTED** that Cllr C Martyn was attending another meeting and sent apologies that she could not attend.

Cllr B Ford advised that ward Cllrs have received many questions over the crossing near the Grange development. It was confirmed that the crossing positioning and location consideration had taken a lot of time and hard work and to complete. The original application was refused by the Borough Council however this went through eventually with a description from the inspector as “a crossing” only.

Due to the vague description within the application this then enabled the developer (Linden Homes) to create a crossing as they saw fit for purpose.

Ward Councillors did manage to persuade the developer to provide a zebra crossing however the chances of Swindon Borough Council or the Parish Council being able to afford further lighting and alterations to the crossing is very slim.

Cllr B Ford advised that there is a new Operations Director for Swindon Borough Council, Brian Pinchbeck. It was confirmed that Ward Councillors have been involved in a meeting recently where the topic of Parish / Borough responsibilities has been discussed and he is aware of how difficult the relationship can be when trying to achieve resolutions to resident queries.

Members **NOTED** an update regarding Cllr B Fords latest project as cabinet member for adults and health. Cllr B Ford advised that unfortunate the Covid figures have increased quite significantly in the South West. Whilst the numbers of cases are increasing it was confirmed that the rate has slowed down from the last three months.

Each care home in the Borough has an individual officer to liaise with from the Borough Council, there are also just over 50 people in the hospital currently this week. This number is likely to increase shortly, the numbers of those in hospital back in April 2020 was 80.

Cllr H Dosanjh asked Cllr B Ford if there has been any update from the Highways review of Wroughton. Cllr Ford confirmed that there was a meeting scheduled for a few weeks’ time however this has been cancelled and unsure why. This will be chased up.

Cllr H Dosanjh was advised that the 20mph speed limit for Inverary Road will be considered on Thursday at the SBC full council meeting.

FC/317

Payment Schedule

Members **RESOLVED** to approve the payment schedule for November 2020. A copy of which appears as Appendix B in the minute book.

FC/318

Defibrillator – St John Road

Members **NOTED** a request from the Wroughton Monthly Magazine Committee for the Parish Council to take on responsibility of the defibrillator placed at St John Road, a copy of which appears as Appendix C in the minute book.

Members **RESOLVED** to agree that the Parish Council would now add the defibrillator at St John Road to the asset register and liaise with the committee to establish servicing and replacement details going forward.

FC/319

Wroughton Carnival

Members **NOTED** a request from the Wroughton Carnival Committee to use the Weir Field from Friday 2 July 2021 to Monday 5 July 2021. A copy of which appears as Appendix D in the minute book.

Members **RESOLVED** to agree to the underwriting of the Carnival for £2,500 and to waive the charges to use to Weir Field for the event.

FC/320

BMX Wroughton Flood Light Installation

Members **NOTED** a report of the Clerk regarding the new lighting design submitted by BMX Wroughton, a copy of which appears as Appendix E in the minute book.

Members **RESOLVED** the agree the following recommendations:

- 10.1** WPC to revise the final quote received by ABACUS a copy of which appears attached. (ABACUS V3 today 16.11.2020 Quote 6104801). Questions will need to be raised regarding detail within the quote and feedback will be sent back to BMX Wroughton and ABACUS.
- 10.2** The Clerk will liaise directly with BMXW and both the Community Assets and Open Spaces Committee to work through any unanswered questions from the listed quote.
- 10.3** WPC to formally request an extension to the British Cycling Association grant award process for a further 6 to 12 months to allow further time on finalising the quoted works. To also contact Community First Landfills Community and request a 6-12 month extension on use of awarded funds already achieved by BMXW.
- 10.4** WPC request that BMXW share a business plan to support the longevity of the group and its commitment to continue to help support the BMX track and potential new flood lighting structure.
- 10.5** WPC request a copy of BMXW accounts to date which also include highlight any grants / income previously received.

FC/321

Working Party Membership

Members **RESOLVED** to agree the following:

Cllr N Hooper elected onto the Play Area Working Party.

Members **NOTED** Amanda Woodhead has stepped down from the Sports & Youth Facilities Working Party and that the new Chair of the 1st Wroughton Scout Group, Billy Smith is now elected onto the Sports & Youth Facilities Working Party.

FC/322

Swindon Borough Council – Protocols for Planning Applications

Members **NOTED** the new agreed protocol for dealing with planning and related applications as of the 06 October 2020.

Members **NOTED** the changes within the Interpretation of Planning Guidance – Habitable Room (paragraph 30-30.3), a copy of which appears as Appendix F in the minute book.

FC/323

Plastic Free Swindon

Members **NOTED** a request from the coordinator of Plastic Free Swindon to display posters around the village near litter hot spots, a copy of which appears as Appendix G in the minute book.

Members **RESOLVED** to agree that further research can take place by the office staff to try and identify a suitable poster design and display locations around the Parish.

The meeting closed at 8:28pm

Signed.....

Date.....

Chairman of the Council