

MINSTERWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the virtual Parish Council Meeting held on Monday, 11 May 2020, held via Zoom

PRESENT:

Councillors - R Blowey
R Crisp
N Garbutt
S Ingham
C Thomas
N Powell
BC J Smith
Mrs F Wallbank – Clerk

Parishioners: 0

1 APOLOGIES: Councillor King and BC McLain and CC Awford

2 MINUTES OF THE MEETING The minutes of the meeting held on the Monday, 9 March and notes following virtual meetings during April 2020, having been circulated with the agenda were agreed and then signed by the Clerk as agreed

3 DECLARATION OF INTEREST: Councillor Powell Planning Application 20/00143/OUT

4 PUBLIC COMMENT - No emails received from parishioners wanting to raise points

5 FINANCIAL MATTERS

5.1 Accounts for payment and receipts:

Mrs F J Wallbank –

Salary 1-31 May 2020	387.42		
Less Tax	<u>18.00</u>	369.42	Via Bank Transfer

Inland Revenue: Tax for FJW	18.00		Via Bank Transfer
Refund due to Clerk			

Came & Company: Insurance renewal due 1 June 2020	397.26		Via Bank Transfer
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The Villager Printing: The Villager - April	90.63		Via Bank Transfer
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AGP Lawn mowing services for Minsterworth Play Area: 15.4.20 & 29.4.20	74.00		
Mole Services 1.5 hours	<u>30.00</u>	104.00	Via Bank Transfer

MVH Meeting held in March	28.60		Via Bank Transfer
Total Payments	£1007.91		

Receipts

TBC Precept	8900.00
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Total Receipts	£8900.00
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5.2 Financial Statement: For the month ended March and April 2020 was circulated via email and signed by the Clerk as agreed

6 MATTERS ARISING:

6.1 Report from Village Hall Representative: The Chairman reported that the repair work to the Village Hall had been stopped and the building is being hired by the NHS. The Chairman had been successful in applying for a grant of £10k to cover loss of income for the Village Hall

6.2 Minsterworth Park: Due to Covid 19 the Play Area had been taped off. A discussion had taken place by adjacent residents about the possibility of purchasing a small piece of Minsterworth

Park to make their access easier but the Chairman confirmed that he had been informed by Glos CC that there was no possibility of this in the immediate future

6.3 Harvey Centre: Councillor Ingham reported the following:

‘The request to Cy-Pres has been sent off and we are awaiting the Charity Commission full reply. The trustees and Management committee are responding to questions raised by the Charity Commission who are continuing to working through these difficult times. ‘

6.4 Highway Matters:

Overgrown Hedge by The Ryders: Chairman to speak with Luke Brazil.

Ditch Watery Lane: Still not been cleared out despite the Chairman speaking with the owner

Disability Access Point Opposite the Apple Tree: Following a request from Turning Point Glos Highways have agreed to provide a disability access point to access the bus stop opposite the Apple Tree.

6.5 PROW: Councillor Ingham reported she had received comments about the lack of pathway on some of the routes. Some members of the village Whats App group expressed disappointment about the amount of dog poo on paths and on the lanes leading to the PROW routes. Councillor Thomas said additional bins were discussed about a year ago and a note put in The Villager asking for suggestions of additional sites but no one responded.

It was agreed that BC Smith would speak to TBC about the provision of additional dog bins and when this information had been received a note would be sent out on Mailchimp asking for suggestions where additional bins should be sited.

7 PLANNING

7.1 Applications:

20/00143/OUT Highcross House, Minsterworth: Outline application for the erection of 4 dwelling with all matters reserved except vehicular access.

The Parish Council is unable to support this application in its current form for the following reasons:

1. Major concerns about more water (rainwater and foul water) being put into the already failing ditch in Watery Lane, which floods regularly, during Winter months & after heavy rain.
2. Major concerns at the siting of the entrance, onto Pound Pitch, with blind corners to both sides, and only a 54m visibility splay. The lane is used at peak traffic times as a rat run to avoid the queueing traffic on the A48, so has a high traffic flow
3. Concern that the development is outside of the proposed settlement boundary
4. Concern that the current footpath runs across a garden and very close to one of the proposed houses. If planning is eventually permitted, it was proposed that it should be on condition that the footpath is diverted around the outside of the ‘red line’ boundary of the development
5. There appeared to be insufficient space for a refuse lorry or sewage sludge lorry to turn within the site

7.2 TBC Decisions:

19/00718/OUT Land to the NE of Sunnybank, A48, Minsterworth: Outline application for the erection of a single storey dwelling with detached garage & vehicle access from A48 (appearance & landscaping to be reserved for future consideration) - **Permitted**

7.3 Appeal: None

Appeal Decisions: None

7.4 Enforcement Matters:

Charlton, Main Road, Minsterworth: Reports of children entering the premises accompanied by adults displaying badges (possible care-workers)

The Ryders, Main Road, Minsterworth: Ongoing investigations taking place.

8 MATTERS RAISED FOR NOTIFICATION:

The Councillors wanted to thank the villagers for pulling together under these difficult times due to Covid 19.

9 DATE FOR NEXT VIRTUAL MEETING: Monday, 8 June 2020 at 7.30pm

The meeting closed at 8.36pm.