

MINUTES OF WRETTON PARISH COUNCIL VIRTUAL MEETING
HELD ON NOVEMBER 2ND 2020

Present: Cllr David Llewellyn – Chairman,
Cllr Martyn Cann, Cllr Ian Mack, Cllr Peter Garnett, Cllr Mandy Peake, Cllr Paul Williams.

Borough Councillor Colin Sampson and County Councillor Martin Storey also present.

1. Apologies for Absence accepted from:

Cllr Mick Peake unable to connect to the meeting.

2. Declarations of Interest made:

Cllrs Mick and Mandy Peake declared an interest in item 6.1

3. The minutes of the virtual meeting held on 24.08.20 were agreed as a true record.
Minutes will be signed once the Council can meet physically.

4. Reports (including updates from matters raised at the meeting on 24.08.20)

4.1 Chairman's Report

- It was noted that information can be downloaded from the Parish Council Vehicle Activated Speed (VAS) sign and this will be undertaken to obtain data which may indicate at what times speeding is most a problem along Low Road. This information could then be passed to the local Safer Neighbourhood Police Team.
- Concern was again voiced about vehicles being parked on what was the forecourt of the former Red Lion public house. Inconsiderate parking at this location does make it hazardous pulling out from the Church Road junction. Norfolk County Council Highways will be approached again regarding land ownership.
It was noted that there is a hydrant situated in this area and that parking should not hamper access to a hydrant.
- Due to Covid-19 restrictions there will be no Remembrance Parades in 2020 but it was stated that All Saints Church will be kept open for private prayer and the interior will be decorated with poppies. Cllr Mack was asked if he might lay a poppy wreath for the Parish Council.

4.2 Clerk's Report

- Correspondence received continues to be shared with Councillors.

Update from the last meeting held on 24.08.20:

- NCC Highways have responded to say reported potholes are programmed for repair.
- The Clerk is beginning to store documents on 365 One Drive.
- Still awaiting CGM to respond re. damage to grave markers.

4.3 Risk Assessment Update

The play area in the village was closed during the Covid lockdown but has been re-opened. Although another national lockdown is to begin on November 5th Government guidance is that play areas can remain open.

5. Accounts were presented and accepted for payment.

Cheques for approval of payment

Clerk's salary	£118.44
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K & M Lighting Services x2 (streetlight maintenance)	£38.64
Postage	£7.80
CGM grass cutting	£237.00
Poppy wreath s137 donation	£22.98
HMRC PAYE	£44.40

Finance – @ 30th September 2020:

Current Account	£8064.74
Business Premium Account	£3468.56

CIL Report

Current account holds CIL money of £2196 received 08.10.18, plus another £1441 received 28.10.19. Total £3637.

CIL money should be allocated/spent within 5 years of receipt

5.1 Precept Request 2021

- Over on 2020 street light electric budget allocation by £100
- Over on 2020 admin allocation but figure does include Internal Audit and IT costs. However approximately £160 remains of IT transparency grant so IT spend could be taken from general reserves, if not able to vire within the budget
- Grass cutting expenditure 2020 includes payment for March 2020, but should remain within budget
- Insurance underspend so could vire to admin
- Still waiting for invoice for play equipment inspection
- Dog bin emptying will be charged at end of financial year
- If nothing unforeseen occurs should remain within overall budget for the year
- 2020 budget identified estimated need of £5090. Precept and Support Grant totalled £5169.70. There is therefore £79.70 remaining to allocate to the shortfall in the streetlight electricity budget if necessary.

Suggest that PC looks at possible budget need for 2021 and in particular any headings that perhaps should be increased. By January meeting will know 2021 tax base. Budget and precept request will need to be set at the January meeting.

6. Planning Applications:

6.1 20/1538/F To retain newly constructed dwelling, Rosetta Cottage, (approved under 18/01752/F) including garden shed and joined open carport shared with Peake View Cottage at Rosetta Cottage Wretton Fen Drove Wretton Norfolk PE33 9QP

No comments

6.2 20/01499/F Variation of condition 1 of planning permission 20/00132/RM to change the drawings at The Haven West Dereham Road Wretton King's Lynn Norfolk PE33 9RB

No comments

7. Other Reports – for information only:

- Streetlight reported as out on corner of Fen Road by the crossroads.
- HGVs travelling through the village continue to cause disruption and damage to verges with a lot of mud also being left on the roads. Weight restriction signs are thought to be confusing and the Highway Engineer will be asked if he will attend a future Parish Council meeting. The Council would also like to pursue a reduction in the speed limit past the new houses along Low Road.
- Grups are not being cleaned out and thus water is collecting on the roads leading to flooding.

Public Participation – Borough and County Councillors invited to report

- Cllr Sampson reported that the Borough is gearing up to prepare for the national lockdown from November 5th.
- Cllr Storey has asked Highways to respond to queries from Parish Councillors and Clerks in a timelier manner than appears to have been occurring.
- Norfolk County Council (NCC) Budget Consultation is taking place and comments are requested on NCC future spending plans.
- Consultation taking place on NCC divisional boundaries.
- Planning White Paper debate is ongoing and councils need to be aware and part of the process. Local input should still be an important part of planning decisions.

Chairman's Signature..... **Date**.....