

**Minutes of the Durrington Town Council Virtual Meeting held at 7pm on
Tuesday the 26th January 2021**

PRESENT	Cllr. Mr JP Todd	Chairman
	Cllrs. Mrs S Paines, Mrs K Sharp, Mr J Ellis, Mrs M Wardell, Mr S Rennie, Mr S Botham, Mr P Galan-Bamfield, Mr P Paul, Mr G Wright, Mr D Healing,	Councillors Town and Wiltshire Councillor
	In Attendance: Mrs J M Tudor	Clerk

273/20 ACCEPTANCE OF APOLOGIES – from Cllr W Clarke, Cllr R Ellis and Cllr I Tierney.

274/20 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS – Councillors were reminded to record any in the book.

275/20 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES – The Town Council **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the meeting on the 12th January 2021.

276/20 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – No members of the public were present for the meeting.

276/20 REPORT by the Chairman of the Town Council – the Chairman reported on the hope that the Council would soon be able to meet again in person and that the Council should remain vigilant in the community to help all residents pull together in this difficult time.

277/20 TO APPROVE WRITTEN UPDATES FROM COUNCIL TEAMS

- a. POLICE REPORT AND NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICING PRIORITIES – There was no report from the local Policing Team.
- b. CRIME PREVENTION – There was no report from Crime prevention
- c. POLICIES – Standing Orders have been reviewed by the Policies' Committee. The new Standing Orders have been circulated to all members and the Policies committee confirmed the amendments were acceptable as they relate to virtual meetings, the Council **RESOLVED** to accept the new Standing Orders
- d. HR&FINANCE – The minutes of the latest HR & Finance meeting were circulated to members.
- e. PLANNING – There is one application this year for additional parking at the Med centre in Larkhill. There is a meeting scheduled on the 4th February for the Southern Area Planning committee at which 19/11849/FUL - 2 Pinckneys Way, Durrington, SP4 8BU is to be discussed. Cllr S Botham will attend this meeting on behalf of Cllr Healing.
- f. AMENITIES – Cllr R Ellis circulated reports on the Rights of Way and Avon Fields prior to the meeting, Cllr P Paul confirmed his inspections of Fargo Road Play Park. Cllr S Rennie advised that no inspections of the inside of the pavilion will take place during the pandemic with the pre-school using the building.

279/20 REPORT by the Clerk – The Village Hall is being inspected several times a week with the water being flushed and taps run so that we have no problems with sanitation when we open again. The heating is on low to stop any problems with the cold. All post is being collected and the telephone answer machine is being monitored.

Last month the Clerk, Cllr Sharp and Cllr Healing went to Stonehenge to view their plans for a new café and classroom.

The Clerk has received interest from the public to arrange some litter picking. The Council received a further Covid grant from Wiltshire Council this month for £6001.00.

Last week the Clerk, Cllr Healing and Cllr Rennie met at the cemetery to mark out the new Ashes Plots, there are spaces for another 100 plots.

The Clerk is waiting to see what proportion of the election costs the Council will be charged going forward, the issue is currently being discussed at a government level and will be disseminated to local Councils when it has been ratified, the Council have made an allowance in next year's budget for election costs.

The Clerk and Admin assistance have had a demonstration of the scribe financial software package and will have a further demonstration next week.

280/20 **REPORT** by the Wiltshire Councillor, Cllr G Wright

The Local Plan Review Consultation is now open for comments. (I strongly recommend DTC return their views as to the specific detail on Durrington)

Crossing Point on the A345. Village and Cllrs concerns over the location of new pedestrian refuge/road width located just north of A345 at the Stonehenge Roundabout. I have taken issue with WC as to the safety of the newly formed Crossing Point on the A345.

Avon Fields Adoption Works are still ongoing with Persimmon to adopt this estate.

A303 Tunnel After lobbying I was delighted that in January, the Wiltshire Council cabinet agreed to closely interface with Highways England making sure that disruption is kept to a minimum on WC roads and that improvements already planned to Rolleston Crossroads. Double Hedges and the Allington Track are all implemented

Complaints about Dog Mess I have received complaints about dog refuse bags being deposited within Avon Valley College and exercising of dogs within AVC private grounds. I place a letter in the StonehengeTrader.

The Ham actions from the Contractors Community Fund I am pleased to report that I have project managed the **Stop Sign, Road Markings, New Barrier** and **No Drop Off** signs that have been installed at the Ham entrance to Avon Valley College (AVC). **Traffic calming** and safety bollards have also been installed along The Ham and around Camellia Cottage Church St. **Electronic Slow Down** signs are now installed on The Ham and Hackthorne Rd. This only leaves Trees to be installed to soften the view of AVC from The Ham as outstanding. .

2 Pickneys Way Planning Application (erection of 6 new houses) will be heard at the WC Southern Area Planning Committee on February the 4th. I have called this application is because the planning officers are recommending approval and the community and DTC consider this as over development.

Area Board Healthy us Weight Programme, Covid 19 community packs, Census 2021 together with reports from Wiltshire Police, Dorset and Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service, MOD/Military Civilian Integration, A303 – Highways England, Healthwatch Wiltshire, NHS Wiltshire, Community Status Report and Town and Parish Councils. Update from the Community Area Transport Group (CATG).

The Health & Wellbeing Group gave a grants of £300 to Durrington over 60's and Durrington Day Centre Clubs. **Area Board Funding** Community Area Grant funding: was agreed for Shrewton Cricket Club, £5k towards a Ride on Outfield Triple Mower. Youth Funding was allocated to the Army Welfare Service, £2,000.00 towards School Holiday Activities and Trips.

Larkhill Community Partnership No meeting have been held due to Covid 19.

281/20 REPORTS by Representatives of other organisations and meetings attended on behalf of the Town Council:

- a. AMESBURY AREA BOARD – report above in Cllr Wrights Wiltshire Councillors report
- b. CATG – No meeting to report
- c. WORLD HERITAGE SITE MANAGEMENT PLAN – Cllr K Sharp has attended virtual meetings regarding the site and will keep the Council informed of the progress of the Judicial Review
- d. LARKILL COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP – No meeting to report

282/20 DISCUSSION TOPIC –

- a. The progress of the CCTV installation at the Recreation ground was discussed. Cllr Paul asked for the Council to re affirm its commitment to the project. The Council confirmed its wish to proceed and considering the length of time since the quotes were given it was suggested the quotes be revisited with the companies being asked to confirm if the figures previously given still stand.
- b. The Youth Team's Risk assessment was sent to the Police for comment and they had replied that the Youth Teams proposal looked acceptable and they believe it is ok to proceed with the street based youth work during the lockdown. The Council agreed the Youth Team work may go ahead as requested.
- c. The Insurers renewal risk assessment was considered, it has several causes for concern including differing values for the Village Hall and the Pavilion, in the circumstances the Clerk will obtain an up to date values of the two buildings and advise the insurers accordingly.
- d. The fencing of the public open space at Avon Fields was discussed, in response to resident's complaints of members of the public walking over private paths and parking on amenity land. It was agreed that Cllr G Wright will canvas the residents to ascertain the want, need and objections to any fencing before the Council make a decision upon this point.
- e. The idea of a litter picking scheme was considered and the Council are in favour of encouraging residents to assist with the problem, the Council have the litter pickers and will lend these out to volunteers. In the first instance Cllr G Wright, assisted by Cllr M Wardell will publicise the proposal and help organise any volunteers.

283/20 PROPOSALS

- a. The Town Council **RESOLVED** to approve Standing Orders see above.
- b. There were two nominations for the Role of Vice Chairman, Cllr K Sharp and Cllr S Botham, after discussion and a vote Cllr S Botham was **ELECTED** in the role. Both Cllrs were thanked for their interest and enthusiasm in standing for the role.
- c. The Council **RESOLVED** to refer to CATG the request to replace the flashing lights at the zebra crossing on Bulford Road with LED lights.
- d. The Council **RESOLVED** to postpone the Annual Parish Meeting in light of the global pandemic, in its place the Council will provide a Parish Report.
- e. The Council **RESOLVED** to proceed with the quote to repair the Millennium Shed Roof with board and rubber sheeting for £1087.90

284/20 CORRESPONDENCE to the Chairman or Clerk

A thank you letter has been received from Durrington Ward at Salisbury Hospital following the chocolates that were taken by Cllr S Paines at Christmas. The Town Council has long supported Durrington Ward, a special thank you was given to Cllr Paines for organising this.

Cllrs G Wright and P Galan-Bamfield expressed an interest donating in some way to the gifts next Christmas.

285/20 THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING is the 23rd February 2021

Signed _____ **Chairman** _____ **Date** _____