

KINNERLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Council

Monday 25th January 2021 at 7.00pm

Held Remotely by ZOOM

PRESENT

Cllrs Nick Barclay (Chair), Charles Green, Sharon Quayle, Peter Clarke, James Peto, Mandy Chapman, Alan Lewis, Lorraine Jones, Richard Greening

Shropshire Councillor: Cllr Vince Hunt

Clerk: Ms Marian Giles

APOLOGIES

Cllr Lorna Baker (flooding)

Cllr Maurice Jones

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

One member of the public attended the meeting

1.21 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS

a) No declarations of interest were made or identified.

b) Dispensations relating to agenda item 10f) were granted in relation to councillors Baker, Clarke and Greening

2.21 MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING DATED 23rd NOVEMBER 2020

The Minutes were submitted and circulated as read. **It was RESOLVED (unanimously) that the minutes of the meeting be approved. Minutes to be subsequently signed by the Chair (once Covid 19 restrictions permit) as a correct record of that meeting.**

3.21 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

No matters were raised by members of the public present at the meeting

4.21 SHROPSHIRE CLIMATE ACTION PARTNERSHIP

Councillors received a presentation from Mr Allan Wilson, Chair of the Shropshire Climate Action Partnership Steering Group on why climate change should be a key part of council business. He gave a number of examples of good practice in relation to use of renewable energy grants by village halls and links to further information from the Partnership.

Cllr Barclay thanked Mr Wilson for his presentation.

5.21 REPORTS

a) Cllr Vince Hunt was in attendance at the meeting at the request of Cllr Nutting. Cllr Hunt apologised for the lack of input from the current local member. Cllr Hunt outlined a number of the key issues for Shropshire Council at the current time, which also impacted on the Parish. These included the slow start to a vaccination programme in the County which he was confident would improve following the rollout of vaccination centres based in GP practices. Cllr Hunt confirmed that

Shropshire Council were likely to raise Council Tax by 3.99%. They were extremely conscious that the current pandemic was going to make it financially very difficult for many people, but at the same time the cost of social care in the county, and particularly looked after children numbers (which had doubled) continued to put pressure on the budget. Councillor Hunt also confirmed that he supported Cllr Nutting's view that the flood alleviation proposals should be separated from the Shrewsbury North West Relief Road proposals, and that a viaduct, rather than a dam, seemed the more likely solution. He confirmed that the SNWRR scheme was not yet submitted for consideration as far as he was aware. Cllr Hunt was also very aware of the existing flooding problems in our parish. Councillor Barclay thanked Cllr Hunt for sparing the time to attend the meeting.

b) No report had been received from the community policing team

c) The Clerk's report had been previously circulated and contained a number of matters for discussion and decision.

- Stephen Shields from Shropshire Council's Tree Team had responded to the application by the Parish Council to reduce the size of the copper beech tree in the play area. He felt that the works proposed would have a 'very significant and detrimental impact' on the tree, and he was therefore unable to support the application. **Following discussion councillors RESOLVED unanimously (with one abstention) to withdraw the planning application, and to undertake no works to the otherwise healthy tree. In recognition of the additional expense to the Parish Hall Trust of moss removal from the roof, the Parish Council would offer to pay up to 50% of those costs.**
- Following the removal of the fallen willow tree in the play area, the double gates on to Heathwaen Lane had been irreparably damaged, and were currently being propped up as the gate posts were rotten. **Following discussion it was AGREED that the gates should be removed and no further action taken at this point to replace.**
- Councillors **NOTED** that the current grounds maintenance contract was due for renewal at the end of February with a further one year extension available to the existing contractor. The Clerk suggested that ivy removal from trees and the churchyard wall be added to the specification subject to agreement on costs. This proposal was **AGREED**.

6.21 PARISH MATTERS

a. Report on Further Minor Repairs Required for Play Area

Councillors considered a report outlining a number of minor repairs that were required following the RoSPA inspection and as a result of Visual Risk Assessments carried out routinely by Cllrs Greening and Peto. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk should progress these identified repairs with priority given to the cableway repairs, and potential resurfacing of BMX track. Cllr Greening proposed, and it was **AGREED**, that in the spring a work party of volunteers should be recruited to repaint and repair the fence surrounding the children's play area. The Clerk **AGREED** to circulate amended wording for the main signage for the play area – this to be approved prior to securing prices for a new sign.

b. Request for Memorial for Mr Brian and Mrs Jennifer Good

Councillors discussed the potential options available outlined in the report prepared by the Clerk. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk should be delegated to talk to the family in order to determine their preferred option, and to bring this back to the next available committee for endorsement.

c. Reports of any additional identified Parish Matters

None reported.

d. Reports of any additional Highways Matter

Cllr Quayle highlighted the flooding at the junction of Argoed Lane which was becoming problematic. She had provided photos to enable the Clerk to report the matter to Highways.

7.21 KINNERLEY FLOOD PREVENTION WORKING GROUP

The next meeting of the FPWG was scheduled for 7pm on Thursday 11th February, by Zoom. This meeting would be attended by Professor Mark Barrow of Shropshire Council and Adrian Lines of the Environment Agency. Cllr Barclay also confirmed that the meeting Owen Paterson, MP, had been trying to arrange with the Environment Agency was now planned for the 26th January, also by Zoom. This would be attended by himself, Cllr Green and Cllr Lorraine Jones on behalf of the Parish Council, and also by two Molverley Parish Councillors.

Cllr Jones asked for clarification whether the FPWG would be opened up to others who had registered an interest following the initial communication raising awareness of the North West Relief Road proposals. It was confirmed that the meeting would be open to others to attend, and a direct invitation would be sent to those who had specifically asked to be kept involved.

8.21 PLANNING

a) To receive details of planning applications/appeal decisions from Shropshire Council

20/04097/FUL – Eddowes Cottage, Kinnerley

Erection of twin stables with tack room

Grant Permission

20/02410/FUL - Proposed Residential Development Land South Of Chapel Lane Knockin Heath

Erection of three detached bungalows with detached garages; formation of two vehicular accesses; installation of septic tank drainage system

Refused

20/04659/FUL - 2 Brookside Cottages Pentre

Erection of two storey side extension (revised scheme)

Grant Permission

b) Planning applications determined under delegated powers

20/05228/FUL – Caegweision Farm, Maesbrook

Conversion of agricultural buildings to residential holiday accommodation and demolition of existing barn

Support with comments in relation to flood mitigation and use of materials sympathetic to existing style of building

20/05173/FUL – Hazel Croft, Vicarage Lane, Kinnerley

Erection of a single storey rear extension

Support

20/04998/PMBPA – North West of Ivy Cottage, Maesbrook

Application for prior approval under Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 for conversion of an outbuilding to form one residential dwelling.

Representations made in respect of lack of provision for access, amenity space or for location of a septic tank. Concerns about flood risk and potential loss of mature oak tree.

20/05074/FUL – The Elms, Maesbrook, SY10 8QF

Erection of first floor extension to rear with balcony

Support

c) Planning applications for decision

20/05340/FUL – Bronawel, Maesbrook, SY10 8QP

Erection of a storage building and all associated works

Following discussion councillors **RESOLVED (unanimously with one abstention) to OBJECT to the application with detailed comments in relation to the size and scale of the proposed building and the proposals for access.**

d) To consider any planning applications received after the agenda was sent out

None received.

e) To consider formal response to Shropshire Local Plan Review – Regulation 19 – Pre-Submission Draft of the Shropshire Local Plan

A detailed response prepared by Cllr Green was considered and it was formally **RESOLVED (unanimously) to approve the response and submit to Shropshire Council.**

f) To consider formal response to Revised Statement of Community Involvement

A response in letter form prepared by Cllr Green was considered and it was formally **RESOLVED (unanimously) to approve the response and submit to Shropshire Council.**

9.21 FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

a. Receipts

It was noted that £7,461.24 had been received from HMRC in respect of VAT claim

b. Payments Approved Under delegated powers

- i. Clerk's Salary for December 2020 - £712.76
- ii. Clerk's Expenses for December 2020 (includes drum and cartridge for printer) - £110.05
- iii. M.I. and TEM Pritchard – leaf clearance - £360.00
- iv. Support My Computer – new printer - £197.99
- v. Roger Owen Tree Care – fallen tree in play area removal - £336.00

c. Payments for Approval

- i) Clerk's Salary for January 2021 – £712.76
- ii) Clerk's Expenses for January 2021 – £47.39
- iii) Scottish Power – streetlights - £106.72

d. Invoices received after the agenda has been sent out

None received

It was RESOLVED (unanimously) that the above payments be APPROVED for payment and bank signatories INSTRUCTED to sign cheques/authorise electronic payments where appropriate

e. Quarterly Figures to end of December 2021

Satisfactory performance against budget **NOTED**.

f. Proposed Budget for Financial Year 2021/22

The proposed budget for the new financial year was discussed by councillors utilising the detailed notes provided showing areas where savings had been possible or increases proposed. Overall the budget proposed would require no increase in the average Kinnerley Parish element of parishioners' Council Tax bills. It was **RESOLVED (unanimously) to APPROVE the proposed budget and to make a precept request of £24,450.**

10.21 CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence received by the Clerk was duly **NOTED**.

11.21 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Next full Parish Council Meeting to be held on Monday 22nd February 2021 by ZOOM.

Meeting ended at 8.45 pm

Signed by Chair

Date