

HUCCLECOTE PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 15TH JUNE 2020
VIA ZOOM AT 6.30 PM

Present Councillor Pugh (In the Chair)
Councillor Stevens
Councillor Bentley
Councillor Mrs Bentley
Councillor Mrs Hutchinson-Holford
Councillor Mrs Heyden
Councillor Morgan
Councillor Mrs Blackwell

20/067 ACCEPTED APOLOGIES

- i. Borough Councillor Paul Smith
- ii. Councillor Robert Vines (County)

20/068 ANNOUNCEMENTS BY AND THROUGH THE CHAIRMAN

Due to Covid 19 and the current social distancing guidelines the Annual Assembly meeting had been cancelled, residents are welcome to join future zoom parish council meetings if they have any questions or concerns.

The Chairman was concerned about the lack of progress on developing the sports facilities, including pitches, on Coopers Edge and he had raised this with Tewkesbury Borough Council and the developer; both reassured him that work was ongoing.

20/069 QUESTIONS FROM PARISHIONERS

There were no residents in attendance and no questions were submitted.

20/070 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the Council meeting held on 18th May 2020 were approved and will be signed by the Chairman retrospectively at the next face to face meeting.

20/071 MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

An update was given on the Whittle Square planning application which could accommodate a new doctor's surgery for Hucclecote and Brockworth. The local MP was now involved and he was arranging a senior meeting to discuss the funding issues that are delaying the development. Following discussion, members agreed that the delay is causing a huge problem for residents and if necessary a letter should be sent to the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care requesting his support.

Quotations were being obtained for the kitchen refurbishment.

20/072 BOROUGH / COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT

Borough – Officers are still working from home and are looking at returning to the council offices in September/October; Council members will not return to normal meetings until December. There will be no rebate for residents for missed garden waste collections.

20/073 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Mrs Blackwell declared that as a member of the Tewkesbury Borough Council planning committee she would not participate in any discussions relating to planning matters. Councillor Mrs Hutchinson-Holford declared an interest in agenda item 10 (b) as a family member works for one of the companies quoting.

20/074 COVID 19

a) Supporting the community

A special newsletter will be produced giving details of the support available to residents during the Covid 19 pandemic, it will also include the Chairman's report for 2019/20; volunteers will be asked to assist with the delivery.

20/075 PLANNING

a) New Applications

- i. 20/00434/FUL – 34 Sussex Gardens. Erection of a single storey rear extension. Plans were circulated to members before the meeting. Following discussion it was proposed, seconded and resolved not to object to the proposals.

b) Decisions

There were no decisions to report.

c) Enforcement report

There were no matters to report.

20/076 PINEHOLT VILLAGE HALL

a) Clerk's report

Allcoopers will install a new play area camera on 19th June. Members on the alarm call out rota were sent new instructions; some non-urgent matters would now be dealt with by automated messages.

The Clerk will attend a GRCC zoom meeting to discuss opening up community buildings, following this she will undertake a risk assessment and plan for the return of hirers to the hall.

b) Improvement work to the car park entrance

Quotations were received for the installation of a footpath at the car park entrance. It was proposed, seconded and resolved to accept the quotation of £6088 from Complete Utilities.

20/077 HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORT

a) Outstanding issues

Notifications were received from Highways England regarding resurfacing of the M5 and refurbishment work on the Brockworth bypass at J11a; local residents had also been informed. The Chairman attended a zoom meeting with Highways England, Gloucester City Council and Upton St Leonards parish council regarding noise from the M5 motorway. It was reported that the DEFRA noise action plan report had been reviewed and the local area was now not shown as an area for urgent action; this was challenged and will be investigate further. Concerns about poor air quality were also raised with Highways England.

Members will continue working on a plan for the introduction of a parking restriction scheme on Coopers Edge; it will be shared with the other two parish councils with the view to proceeding with a TRO for the whole development. The Clerk will seek an update on the adoption of roads from the developer and Gloucestershire Highways.

20/078 PLAY AREA

a) Inspection report

Following Government guidelines the play area remains closed.

20/079 FINANCE

a) Accounts for Payment

	Chq	Net	VAT	Gross
i. Spot on Supplies – Cleaning materials		44.52	8.90	53.42
ii. Fine Turf Services – Grounds maintenance		336.00	0.00	336.00
iii. J Toumazou – Artwork for newsletter		87.50	0.00	87.50
iv. Zoom – Monthly meetings		23.98	4.80	28.78
v. Cheapest Print Online – Newsletter		88.00	0.00	88.00
vi. Tesco – Mobile top up		16.67	3.33	20.00
vii. Amazon – Refuse sacks		6.66	1.33	7.99
viii. Supanet – Broadband	DD	11.66	2.33	13.99
ix. British Gas – Service contract	DD	26.73	5.35	32.08
x. SWALEC – Gas supply	DD	68.00	0.00	68.00
xi. SWALEC – Electricity supply	DD	88.00	0.00	88.00

Payment of the accounts was proposed by Councillor Stevens and seconded by Councillor Mrs Hutchinson-Holford.

20/080 MISC

a) Website Accessibility Statement

It was proposed, seconded and resolved to adopt the statement provided by Netwise Ltd, the website has been reviewed and now fully complies with the new legislation.

Meeting closed at 19:30
Next meeting 27th July 2020