

MINUTES OF A PAINSWICK PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD
REMOTELY ON
WEDNESDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER 2020 AT 7.30 PM

Present: Cllr Martin Slinger Chairman
Cllr Andy Cash
Cllr James Cross
Cllr Ian James
Cllr Rob Lewis
Cllr Roey Parker
Cllr Abigail Smith

In Attendance: 1 Member of the Press
Clerk
Deputy Clerk

1. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The Council accepted apologies from Cllrs Ann Daniels, Mike Fletcher, and Rosie Nash.

2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS IN ITEMS ON THIS AGENDA

Cllr Martin Slinger declared an interest in Agenda Item 5a and took no part in discussions.

3. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 15TH JULY 2020.

The minutes were accepted as an accurate record of the meeting and will be signed at the next physical meeting of the Council.

4. TO RECEIVE THE FOLLOWING REPORTS:

- a. **To receive reports from the County Councillor and District Councillor.** No reports were received.
- b. **Chairman.** The Chairman thanked his fellow Councillors, the Council Staff and all of the community and the various support groups for all of the community support that has been provided and continues to be provided during the pandemic.
- c. **Clerk.** The Clerk circulated a report to the Members prior to the meeting, no additional questions were raised.
- d. **Painswick Covid19 Community Support Group.** Cllr Abigail Smith updated the Council on the Supports Group and presented a comprehensive paper with a recommendation that the Parish Council carries out the legislative administrative functions of the group and act as an umbrella, in order for it to be able to be compliant and thus ensure its longevity. The initial set up cost is

expected to be Circa 2K with the funding being made available from the 10 k Business Support Grant. The Council unanimously agreed to the proposals.

- d. **To receive the monthly Planning Reports.** The Council noted the monthly planning report.
 - i. **To discuss and raise concerns in regards to the recently permitted Telecom Mast which was permitted as a result of a SDC administration error.** Cllr Rob Lewis detailed a letter of complaint as drafted by the Deputy Clerk; the Council unanimously endorsed the letter.
- e. **Councillors.** Cllr Andy Cash reported concerns about the continued damage to Steanbridge Lane verges caused by large vehicles using it which has been exacerbated by overgrown foliage and recent cable laying works. The Clerk advised that the County Councillor had indicated recently that the repairs would be carried out using his Highways Local funding.

Cllr Roey Parker expressed her concerns about the complete lack of repairs to the drainage issue by the Village Hall which has now been ongoing for several years, it was agreed to ask the County Councillor to expedite its repairs. Concerns were also raised at the lack of response to repairing several reported pot holes and a drainage manhole cover in Sheepscombe, this issue was also reported by Cllr Ian James. Finally, she extended her thanks to the Councils Ground Staff for the excellent work on the Village Green and the area opposite.

Cllr Abigail Smith asked that the 20 is plenty signage be replaced in the Village, it was agreed that the Parish Handyman will undertake this task.

Cllr Martin Slinger updated the Council on light pollution concerns at Hammonds Farm which has been reported to SDC, who have advised that no action can be taken. Cllr Slinger also reported upon the works being undertaken by Highways in regards to Ash dieback.

5. FINANCE APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS

Cllr Martin declared and interest in this agenda item.

- a. **To approve the Accounts for payment.** The accounts schedule for payment was presented for payment: and approved by the Council.
- b. **To consider a request for a grant from the Painswick Beacon Magazine for a refund of fees paid to the Painswick Centre as a result of the Town Hall being non Covid compliant.** The Council unanimously agreed not to approve the request for a grant of £23.00 as it felt there were other options available other than hiring a meeting room.

6. TO DISCUSS AND AGREE A WAY FORWARD IN REGARDS TO PARISH COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The Council agreed to resume Committee Meetings via Zoom and agreed to hold one Planning Meeting a month with all other committees meetings to be held once before the New Year. The Clerk will draw up a revised meeting schedule.

7. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 21st October 2020 via Zoom at 7.30pm.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED AT 8.15 PM