

**MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL MEETING OF WOLVEY PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY 20 APRIL 2020 at 7.30pm**

Present: Councillors Adrian Warwick (Chairman), Jas Guraya, Richard Hawcutt, Sid Hindmarsh and Bill Silvester.

In attendance: Jackie Essex (Clerk
Rachel Dore – Community Speed Watch Co-Ordinator

Apologies: Councillor John Hawkins and Borough Councillor Chris Pacey-Day.

203/20 Chairman's Welcome

The Chairman welcomed everyone present to the meeting. This meeting was held in accordance with the Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020. The meeting was conducted using Zoom video conferencing software and all participants took part in the meeting remotely.

204/20 Declarations of Interest and Grant of Dispensation

Councillor Warwick declared an interest in Wolvey Baptist Chapel and in any matter by reason of him being a Member of Warwickshire County Council.

205/20 Minutes of the meeting held on 16 March 2020

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 16 March 2020 be confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

206/20 Rugby Borough Council – Update

Borough Councillor Chris Pacey-Day was not present at the meeting.

207/20 Warwickshire County Council – Update

County Councillor Adrian Warwick reported that food parcels were being distributed to those vulnerable people who were self-isolating.

Applications were being invited from local organisations for grant funding for Coronavirus related projects from the Warwickshire County Council Councillor Grant scheme.

208/20 Wolvey Wetland – Update

Councillor Hindmarsh reported that work had stopped in the pond area for the time being.

RESOLVED that the update be noted.

209/20 Community Speed Watch

Rachel Dore reported that due to the current restrictions, Community Speed Watch operations had been temporarily halted. Volunteers would resume speed checks as soon as government restrictions were lifted.

RESOLVED that the update be noted.

210/20 Coronavirus Pandemic – Update

The Clerk reported that a list of volunteers had been compiled to assist those vulnerable people who were self-isolating with the collection of medication, food etc. To date only a few requests had been received for help with collecting medication.

RESOLVED that the update be noted.

211/20 Clerk's Report

It was agreed that invoices should be paid as soon as possible in order to assist firms and contractors who may be experiencing financial hardship due to the current situation.

212/20 Planning

The following new planning applications were considered:

- (a) R20/0207 - High Lodge, Lutterworth Road, Wolvey - demolition of existing detached single garage to be replaced with a detached double garage.

RESOLVED that the parish council has no objection to the above planning application.

- (b) R20/0212 - Lodge View, Mill Lane, Wolvey - installation of a bay window in the front elevation

RESOLVED that the parish council has no objection to the above planning application.

- (c) R19/0869 - Land east of Coventry Road, Wolvey – revisions to the site access plan.

RESOLVED that the parish council supports the above planning application.

- (d) R20/0178 – Bramcote Mains, Wolvey Road, Bulkington - retrospective planning application for the use of land for the siting of caravans, with associated hardstanding.

RESOLVED that the parish council has no comments on the above

planning application.

213/20 Financial Matters

The parish council considered the financial matters relating to the Parish Council.

RESOLVED that

- (a) the following payments be authorised:
 - (i) Clerk's salary and expenses (cheque no. 300737) – £696.32
 - (ii) WALC renewal subscription 2020/21 (cheque no. 300738) - £550.00
 - (iii) Paul Case & Co – preparation of wages (cheque no. 300739) - £192.00
 - (iv) WS Gardens Ltd (invoice no. 8555) (cheque no. 300740) – village mowing - £252.00
 - (v) Wayside Willow – willow sculptures (cheque no. 300741) - £100.00
 - (vi) Re-imburse Clerk for Namesco Renewal for web hosting (cheque no. 300742) £48.00
 - (vii) Groundwork – refund of unspent grant money for Neighbourhood Plan (cheque no. 300743) - £1,500

- (b) The following direct debits be noted:
 - (i) NEST pension – March - £64.34
 - (ii) Opus Energy – streetlighting – 18 Feb – 19 March 2020 - £548.32
 - (iii) Opus Energy – streetlighting – 20 March – 18 April 2020 - £475.32
 - (iv) Unity Trust – bank charges - £18.00

- (c) The following income be noted:
 - (i) Rugby Borough Council – 1st Precept Payment 2020/21 - £20,043

- (d) The financial reports for Quarter 4 be noted:
 - (i) Cash Book for the period 1 April 2019 – 31 March 2020 amounting to £53,101.75
 - (ii) Bank Reconciliation Statement for the period ending 31 March 2020 amounting to £53,101.75
 - (iii) Budget Monitoring Report for period 1 April 2019 – 31 March 2020

214/20 Neighbourhood Watch

This item was deferred to a future meeting.

215/20 Boardwalk

The Clerk reported that she was still chasing quotes for the boardwalk.

RESOLVED that the update be noted.

216/20 Village Signs

Rugby Borough Council would look at replacing the Fernhill Way sign once the current restrictions on movement introduced in response to the COVID-19 pandemic had been lifted.

Councillor Hawcutt reported that he was currently restoring the village sign.

RESOLVED that

- (a) the update be noted; and
- (b) Councillor Hawcutt would obtain prices for materials for the installation of the village sign in accordance with Warwickshire County Council's specification and he would liaise with Steve Smith Surfacing regarding the installation of the sign.

217/20 Postponement of Annual Parish Meeting

The Clerk reported that parish councils were still waiting for government guidance on arrangements for the holding of Annual Parish Meetings during 2020.

RESOLVED that the update be noted.

218/20 Streetlight Renewal Programme – Update

Councillor Hawcutt was continuing in his efforts to chase Hi-Lite Electrical Ltd. for a progress report on the remaining few streetlights.

219/20 Public Space Protection Order - Update

The parish council would need to consider the matters for inclusion in the Public Space Protection Orders for both Wolvey playing field and Wolvey Wetland, for submission to Rugby Borough Council.

RESOLVED that consideration of matters to be included in the Public Space Protection Orders for the Wolvey Playing Field and Wolvey Wetland be deferred to a future meeting.

220/20 Neighbourhood Plan – Update

The Chairman reported that the Neighbourhood Plan would soon be ready for the formal consultation stage.

RESOLVED that authority be delegated to the Clerk, in consultation with the Chairman, to proceed to the next stage of the consultation process.

221/20 Environment Matters

The Clerk reported that following the temporary closing down of operations due to the Coronavirus pandemic, WS Gardens Ltd. would resume operations

on 4 May 2020.

RESOLVED that Baginton Nurseries Ltd. be requested to supply a reduced number of bedding plants for planting in containers by WS Gardens Ltd.

222/20 Minor Matters

- (a) Concerns over speeding traffic and nuisance from motorbikes riding around Wolvey would be reported to the local Police. It was agreed that information on days, times and locations etc. would be collated and passed onto the Police to assist with catching offenders.

223/20 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting would be held on Monday 18 May 2020.

The meeting closed at 8.05 p.m.