

**MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL MEETING OF WOLVEY PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD ON MONDAY 15 JUNE 2020 at 7.30pm**

**Present:** Councillors Adrian Warwick (Chairman), Paul Delargey, Jas Guraya, Richard Hawcutt, John Hawkins, Sid Hindmarsh and Bill Silvester.

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

**Apologies:** Borough Councillor Chris Pacey-Day.

**24/20 Chairman's Welcome**

The Chairman welcomed everyone present to the meeting.

**25/20 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. Councillor Hawkins declared an interest in any matter relating to Wolvey Playing Fields Trust.

**26/20 Minutes of the meeting held on 18 May 2020**

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 18 May 2020 be confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

**27/20 Rugby Borough Council – Update**

Borough Councillor Chris Pacey-Day was not present at the meeting. He had asked the Clerk to enquire whether there had been any concerns over dogs in Wolds Lane Cemetery. Councillors were not aware of any concerns.

**28/20 Warwickshire County Council – Update**

County Councillor Adrian Warwick reported that Warwickshire County Council was currently working on its Covid 19 Recovery Plan.

Following a report from a local resident of the dangerous condition of the section of road in Wolds Lane outside the cemetery, County Councillor Warwick inspected the site and immediately contacted Warwickshire County Council Highways Officers who acted promptly to ensure that this section of the road was made safe. Further works would be carried out to make good the section of road in due course. The parish council expressed its thanks and appreciation to the officers concerned for their prompt action in this matter.

**29/20 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. In the meantime, there were still problems with motorbikes speeding through Wolvey.

**RESOLVED** that the update be noted and Warwickshire Police again be contacted for action to be taken in respect of motorbikes speeding through the village.

**30/20 Wolvey Wetland – Update**

Councillor Hindmarsh was working in the pond area and Councillor Hawkins was clearing the Woodland Walk area. W S Gardens would be requested to trim either side of the boardwalk.

**RESOLVED** that the update be noted.

**31/20 Wolvey Playing Field – Update**

Councillor Hawkins reported that the Wolvey Playing Field Trust had applied for a grant of £10,000 which had been set up to help businesses and organisations during the Coronavirus pandemic.

The children's play area remained closed in line with government guidance.

There was some uncertainty over whether the annual village bonfire would be held in November. The possibility of holding a firework display for villagers to watch from their homes or from their cars parked nearby was being explored.

**RESOLVED** that the update be noted.

**32/20 Appointment of Wolvey Environment Committee**

**RESOLVED** that Councillors Hawkins, Hindmarsh and Warwick be appointed to the Wolvey Environment Committee for the 2020/21 municipal year.

**33/20 Clerk's Report**

The Clerk reported that Baginton Nurseries Ltd. would deliver the bedding plants on Thursday. Councillor Hawkins would arrange for WS Gardens Ltd. to plant these out in containers.

**RESOLVED** that the report be noted.

**34/20 Planning**

(a) The following new planning applications were considered:

- (i) R20/0292 - Heathcote Farm, Mill Lane, Wolvey - alteration and replacement of existing roof to extend first floor together with various extensions and external changes to dwelling.

**RESOLVED** that the parish council has no comments on the above

planning application.

(ii) R20/0422 - Land South of A5 (Watling Street) Adjacent to M69 Junction 1 - Full application for Erection of a roadside services facility comprising a petrol filling station, drive through restaurant (class A1/A3/A5) with new vehicular access (via A5 Watling Street), together with internal roads, car/cycle parking, drainage works, earthworks, landscaping and other associated infrastructure. Outline application for erection of class B1 and flexible class B1/B2/B8 units with access via the A5 (Watling Street) together with the construction of internal roads, vehicle and cycle parking, drainage works, earthworks, landscaping and other associated infrastructure.

**RESOLVED** that the parish council objects to the above planning application on the grounds of over development of the site, highway safety concerns due to the size of the development generating additional traffic and its close proximity to the M69 junction and the increase in traffic generated from the development will have a detrimental impact on surrounding villages.

(iii) R20/0398 - Kilmore House, Coventry Road, Wolvey - extension and alteration of existing ancillary building to form new dwelling.

**RESOLVED** that the parish council has no comments on the above planning application.

(b) The parish council considered the Appeal for The Chalet, Hinckley Road, Wolvey – for the erection of stables and stores building (planning application: R19/1148).

**RESOLVED** that the parish council's earlier objections to this planning application be re-iterated.

## 35/20

### 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 – £699.34
  - (ii) WS Gardens Ltd. – village mowing (invoice no. 8625) - £756.00
  - (iii) WS Gardens Ltd. – clean signs, weed treatment, clean bus shelters, litter pick, (invoice no. 8626) - £570.00
- (b) The following direct debits be noted:
- (i) NEST pension – May - £61.82
  - (ii) Opus Energy – streetlighting – 20 March – 18 April 2020 - £475.32

- (c) The following income be noted:
  - (i) HMRC – VAT reclaim for the period 1.9.19 – 31.3.20 - £5,455.62
- (d) The parish council agrees to switch to internet banking for the electronic payment of invoices which are to be authorised by any two parish councillors; and
- (e) the Unity Trust Bank account management form for the parish council bank account be signed and all parish councillors be added as authorised signatories to allow them internet banking access to view and authorise payments.

**36/20 Annual Review of Risk Assessment**

The parish council considered its Risk Assessment document.

**RESOLVED** that the Risk Assessment document be approved

**37/20 Boardwalk - Update**

Councillor Warwick reported that a quote had been received for the replacement of the boardwalk. Councillors were meeting with another company on site the following week to discuss replacing the boardwalk with oak panels.

**RESOLVED** that

- (a) the update be noted; and
- (b) authority be delegated to the Wolvey Environment Committee to consider quotes for the replacement boardwalk.

**38/20 Village Sign**

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

**RESOLVED** that

- (a) the update be noted; and
- (b) the Clerk would again chase contractors for quotes for the installation of the village sign in accordance with Warwickshire County Council's specification.

**39/20 Streetlight Renewal Programme – Update**

The parish council considered a quote from Hi-Lite Electrical Ltd. for the outstanding works remaining in respect of the streetlights replacement programme.

**RESOLVED** that

- (a) the quote from Hi-Lite Electrical Ltd. for the remaining streetlight replacement work be approved at a total cost of £6,325;
- (b) Option 1 be agreed for both LP3 in Croft Close and LP1 in School Lane for a new column complete (steel) with service transfer (included) at a cost of £950 each;
- (c) the following two streetlights which were not included in the original quote be agreed:
  - (i) Moat Lane – additional lantern – £250
  - (ii) Coventry Road – new complete steel column with service transfer - £950.

**40/20 Public Space Protection Order - Update**

The parish council had been advised that the procedure for making Public Space Protection Orders was lengthy and complex.

**RESOLVED** that consideration be given to the erection of notices at the Wolvey playing field and the Wetland setting out parish council rules.

**41/20 Concern over Water Pressure in Wolvey**

Councillor Guraya reported Severn Trent Water were currently assessing the problems of low water pressure in Wolvey following complaints received.

**RESOLVED** that the update be noted.

**42/20 Garages in Pipers End**

Councillors again raised concerns over the poor condition and lack of maintenance of the borough council owned garages in Pipers End.

**RESOLVED** that Borough Councillor Chris Pacey-Day be asked to inspect the garages and raise the matter with Rugby Borough Council officers.

**43/20 Neighbourhood Plan – Update**

The Chairman reported that the seven week consultation period for the pre-submission of the Neighbourhood Plan would shortly commence in accordance with Regulation 14.

**RESOLVED** that the update be noted.

**44/20 Environment Matters**

Councillor Hawkins would be meeting with WS Gardens Ltd. to discuss various village issues.

**45/20 Items for Next Meeting**

- (a) Ordering of the Christmas Tree and purchase of new Christmas tree baubles.

**46/20      Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting would be held on Monday 20 July 2020.

The meeting closed at 8.05 p.m.