

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 2ND MARCH 2021 REMOTELY BY VIDEO CONFERENCE AT 7:30PM.

PRESENT: Mr B Forbes (Chairman) Dr I Gibson Mr O O’Grady Mr A Palin and Mrs C Steggles, 0 members of the public, Mrs C Marsh (Clerk)

Due to the current pandemic, The Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020 came into force on 4th April 2020. The regulations provide Councils with the power to hold their Council and Committee meetings remotely, by electronic means, between 4th April 2020 and 6th May 2021.

171 Apologies Mrs S Hughesdon Mrs C Jarvis Mrs T Mugridge

172 Public Participation None

173 Declarations of Personal and Disclosable Pecuniary Interests None

174 Chairman’s Announcements The Chairman had nothing to report this month.

175 The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 2nd February 2021, as circulated, were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

176 Matters currently being pursued by the Clerk
The Estate have advised that the kissing gate below the allotments has been repaired. They have also said that due to ground conditions, repairs to the stile at point A will cause more of a mess than is there at present, therefore the Head Forester will unlock the field gate so that it can be used for the next couple of months before the ground improves enough to get a vehicle in there. Mr Lee has advised that the stile at point B is in sound condition and not in need of replacement therefore they will leave that unless they hear to the contrary.

177 Planning Applications
It was RESOLVED that MSDC be informed that:

DM/21/0284 Rock Cottage, 90 North Street
The Council acknowledge the efforts given to finding a parking solution but we feel it is not safe pulling into traffic arriving from the South due to poor visibility.
We would also like to add that if the planning application is successful, we would like to see the same material used, i.e. sandstone walls and the hedging reinstated to help with the wildlife, especially as this is in the Conservation Area.

DM/20/3174 Rashes Farm, Selsfield Road
The Parish Council supports this planning application.

- DM/20/3176 Rashes Farm, Selsfield Road
As the Parish Council are not experts in Listed Building Consent they will leave the decision to the Planning Officer.
- DM/21/0466 6 Jay Walk
The Council will accept what the Tree Officer recommends, however, they expect replacement native tree species planted to replace those that are felled.
- DM/21/0232 5 Newstone Cottages, East Street
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- DM/21/0229 5 Newstone Cottages, East Street
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- DM/21/0603 Turners Hill C of E Primary School, Church Road
The Council will accept what the Tree Officer recommends, however, as a conservational approach, the Council expect replacement trees to be planted, although not necessarily in the same area.

178 Report on Previous Applications

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| DM/20/4498 | Worth Abbey School, Paddockhurst Road | Permission |
| DM/20/2292 | 1 Mountfield Court, Lion Lane | Refusal |
| DM/20/4462 | 8 Newstone Cottages, East Street | Permission |

179 Hartmire Investments Limited Appeal The Chairman advised that the three agenda items (9,10 and 11) relating to the appeal could be discussed as one. It was RESOLVED that the letter attached to the agenda would be sent to the Planning Inspectorate with one minor change. A copy of the amended letter will be filed with these minutes.

Dr Gibson advised he would be speaking as Mid Sussex District Council's Ward Member for Turners Hill and the Chairman advised he would be viewing the proceedings.

180 Minutes of the MSALC Meeting held on 26th January 2021, as circulated, were noted.

181 Report on the GACC Meeting held on 28th January 2021, as circulated, was noted.

182 Report on the CAGNE AGM held on 5th February 2021 and the CAGNE Meeting held on 25th February 2021, as circulated, was noted and a copy of this report will be filed with these minutes.

- 183 Minutes of the Finance Meeting held on 9th February 2021, as circulated, were noted and the Council approved the regular due payments for 2021/22 and to set up online banking for the savings account with Nationwide. This is a new service being offered and the signatories can be authorised online.
- 184 Report on the WSALC Briefing held on 18th February 2021 Dr Gibson reported that the WSALC stance had not changed. Professor Copus who carried out the review of SSALC received a rough reception but promised to give details of those he spoke to in order to compile his report. Hampshire Association of Local Councils put forward their proposal, they will offer training in West Sussex but despite being the only offer on the table, it was clear that it was not a solution despite the 10% cost reduction.
The WSALC Board will meet on 22nd February and will take all factors into account.
- 185 Report on the WSALC AGM held on 25th February 2021 Mr Forbes went through the special resolutions that were on the WSALC Agenda and gave the results of the voting. A copy of the agenda and the minutes of the WSALC meeting will be filed with these minutes.
- 186 Report on the GATCOM AGM held on 25th February 2021, as circulated, was noted and a copy of this report will be filed with the minutes.
- 187 Southern Water’s Regional Resilience Plan It was RESOLVED that the Council had no comments to make because they felt it was more for individuals to comment.
- 188 Accounts Due for Payment
It was resolved that:
1. The Accounts shown on the schedule as being due for payment be paid and
 2. The Accounts shown on the schedule as being paid since the meeting held on 2nd February 2021, be approved.
 3. The Accounts schedule was duly signed.
- 189 Correspondence Gatwick Airport have received positive feedback to their “Keeping in Touch with the Community” virtual meetings and they are holding another meeting on 11th March at 9:30am to 11:00am. Dr Gibson advised he would like to attend.
MSDC have advised that from 29th March, if all four of the Government’s tests have been met, they will be reopening all of their playgrounds in the District and welcoming back organised outdoor sport for both children and adults. On the same day, outdoor gyms, skate parks and ball courts are planned to reopen. They will keep infection rates down by instigating a regular cleaning regime across locations.

They also advised that they plan to reopen their three leisure centres – initially for individual exercise (including gym and swimming) from 12th April, before phasing in group exercise in line with the Government’s roadmap, however, this will be subject at every stage to the Government’s tests being met.

190 Confidential Item

Meeting closed at 20:49 pm

SignedChairman

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