

# Meeting of West Dean Parish Council Wednesday 21 October 2020 commenced at 7:30pm

Held by video conference (in order to protect the health and safety of councillors and members of the public during the COVID-19 pandemic)

Present: Harry Urquhart (HU) – Chair, Jane Higgins (JH), Bill Seabrook (BS), Christine Warry (CW), Andy Francis (AF), David Sutton (DS), Sarah Hurst (SH), and Councillor Chris Devine

Others present: Melanie Camilleri (MC) – Clerk/RFO, Councillor Richard Britton (Alderbury and Whiteparish division), and 3 members of the public

**72/20** Apologies for Absence: None

73/20 Public Forum

**74/20** Declarations of interest: None

75/20 The Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 16 September

2020 were approved and signed.

## 76/20 NDP: Alan Bannister (AB)

AB reported that two Green Spaces (Rec Grd and Village Green) have been established. He expressed his thanks for the excellent piece of work by Derek Howland, Cllr Christine Warry and Cllr Jane Higgins

Inclusion of Views in the NDP: NDP examiners visit all identified views and assess in terms of their exceptionality and uniqueness.

AB expressed his thanks to SH for her outstanding work on producing the Reg 16 NDP document. Payment will be made via WTPC.

Consideration to approve submission of Regulation 16 NDP document: JH proposed, seconded by DS and resolved unanimously to submit.

# 77/20 To receive a report from Cllr Devine (Wiltshire Council):

Cllr Devine reported on his activities including Wiltshire's full council meeting to discuss the government's White Paper consultation on Planning. Key area of concern is that Wiltshire Council failed to have a 5-year housing supply, leaving open to speculative development.

Cllr Devine reported there is still money available for Grants. HU raised if Grant Funding would be secured for the West Dean River Clearance. Cllr Devine agreed to take as an action point to discuss with the County Flood Working Group and email DS and AF (via MC) with an outcome. Cllr Devine indicated he was hopeful a Grant for the annual weed clearing (cost £720) would be available.

#### 78/20 Finance

i) AF proposed, seconded by DS and resolved unanimously that the Cashflow report and payments be approved. MC to raise BACS payments.

# **Bank balances**

Main Account (as at 22 Sept 2020): £6,346.90 Savings Account (as at 25 Sept 2020): £6,113.48

# **Main Account**

Payee	Detail	Amount £	Method
M Camilleri	Clerk Salary + office space	471.90	S/order
Clive Francis	Grass cutting (August)	528.00	BACS
Playsafety Ltd	RoSPA Report	99.00	BACS

Total debit **£1,098.00** 

Receipts	Detail		Amount £	Deposit Ref.
Wiltshire Council	Precept 2 <sup>nd</sup> instalment		5,600.00	
		Total credit	£5.600.00	

# ii) Budgeting

Mid-year budget 2020/21 and draft Budget 2021/22 were discussed. Further consideration required at the 18 Nov 2020 and Jan 2021 meetings together with some form of community engagement on Village Maintenance expenditure due to the proposed marked increase in Precept. Wiltshire Council's deadline is 18 Jan 2021.

#### 79/20 Planning

20/02169/PDQS: Barn at Friars Orchard, West Dean, Salisbury

<u>Proposal:</u> Application to determine if prior approval is required to change use of agricultural building to 1 dwelling house, and for building operations reasonably necessary for the conversion.

The meeting was closed between 19:41 and 20:05 to allow a member of the public to speak and for the Parish Councillors to ask questions. A statement from the applicant was circulated and read by all councillors before the meeting.

MC reported that on Monday 05 October West Tytherley, Frenchmoor & Buckholt Parish Council (as the lead Parish Council for this application) resolved unanimously to OBJECT and that a FULL APPLICATION is required for the following material planning considerations (which only a full application can provide):-

# Validity of application

- Rights of access to the proposed dwelling/site: The landowner has not granted right of access, meaning the applicant doesn't have authority to commence works
- Waste Water: is not within the control of the applicant as it falls outside of the boundary of the plan

SH proposed, seconded by AF and resolved by a majority that WDPC will support WTPC's **OBJECT** decision and that a **FULL APPLICATION** is required for the material planning considerations (which only a full application can provide):-

- Waste Water: is not within the control of the applicant as it falls outside of the boundary of the plan
- Design and Materials: (TVBC Policy E1 and E2 plus The West Dean Village Design Statement)

# 80/20 Carols on The Green

i) All agreed to consider and prepare for a range of scenarios given the uncertainty over what CV19 restrictions on social gatherings (and carol singing) will be in place at the time. AF to report back on sourcing a Xmas Tree for The Village Green.

## 81/20 Correspondence, AOB and urgent matters

MC Reported Moody's Hill will be temporarily closed for 1 day (09 Nov)

## 82/20 Next Parish Council Meeting

The date of the next West Dean Parish Council Meeting will be held on **Wednesday 18 November 2020 at 7:00pm** by video conference.

Being no further business, HU closed the meeting at 21:55pm

## DRAFT MINUTES TO BE SIGNED AT THE NEXT MEETING OF THE PARISH