

Wick and Abson Parish Council
Minutes of the virtual meeting held on 14th January 2021 via Zoom code 597 185 5233
from 7.15pm

Attendees:, Gaive Golding (GG), Stuart Fowell (SF) ,Bronwen Dyson (BD) Simon Alway (SA) Peter Crew(PGC), Derek Bonas (DB)

Clerk Jo Bray-Warner, and 1 members of the public

1.To NOTE apologies and receive/confirm declarations of interest:

Carolyn Williams (CW)

Malcolm Watson (MW)

Declaration of interest: None

Non attendance :

Due to apologies from both Chair and Deputy Chair, clerk requested a nomination from remaining councillors to chair January's meeting.

CLlr SF self nominated

Proposed SA

Seconded DB

All in favour 5

Carried

2 . Public Participation – to RECEIVE and NOTE submission from the public.

No requirement

3. To RECEIVE and NOTE a verbal report from the Clerk on activities since the last meeting

Streetcare issues:---

19.2 CLlr PGC has requested whether a disabled space is in situ at 2 Milford Avenue still valid.

Clerk to request an update from Streetcare

Email sent to Streetcare 11/12/20 awaiting update

Reference no 1531974

They are in the process of applying for a Blue Badge as they have 2 disabled children living in the property. Once they have a Blue Badge they will be applying for a disabled bay using the SGC application procedure.

In the circumstances / meantime I have told the resident to carry on using the bay and that I do not intend to have it removed in the interim.

The resident will let me know when they have been granted the Blue Badge, at which stage I will send them the necessary application form.

Details circulated to Councillors

Outstanding actions from previous Meeting:

6. To REVIEW Finance for Parish Council and AGREE precept for 2021-2022

Clerk pre-circulated 2020-2021 cash book report and proposal for precept for 2021-2022

Discussion held, Clerk as Responsible financial officer proposed precept to be kept at £82,500.00 same as current year

Proposed CW,Seconded GG,All in favour 8

Clerk to advise SGC,Return sent 10/12/20

11. To REVIEW the costings and process for introducing Speed Visor signs within the village

Following November's meeting, clerk has made enquiries with Dyrham and Hinton PC as they have confirmed a process with SGC for purchase and installation. Clerk pre-circulated a paper to Council to provide outline of process and costings.

Discussion held

Proposal GG- Clerk to engage with Highways to review the process and costs

Seconded CW

All in favour

Email sent to Chris Harris 16/12

Response rec'd and circulated as part of Jan papers

Agenda item in January

- All planning notifications commented on within SGC portal

18.3- Request from Open Spaces society to renew subscription

Discussion held

Proposal by GG to renew subscription

Seconded CW

All in favour 8

Clerk to arrange

All paid by Clerk- reimbursement will be sought via PC cheque in Jan 21

Enforcement

- Cllr BD advised that a resident had been in contact to request Enforcement review a sited caravan, next to the garage and in between the houses on London Road. It is difficult to see from the road however easier when it gets dark

COM/20/0594/OD-Update from SGC 16/12/20

Apologies for the belated update. We are experiencing high levels of work load and I have also recently been on annual leave

As you were aware, we were having difficulties being able to access the site due to the current ongoing situation, so held the case in abeyance.

An investigating officer was able to arrange a visit a couple of weeks ago and carried out an inspection of all the buildings and caravans at the site. There was no evidence found showing that these were being occupied. However, it is our understanding that one of larger horse trailers/lorry may be occupied that is parked on the highway, and is being moved occasionally onto the site. Whilst this was denied during the site visit, as it is parked on the highway, this is not a breach of planning control and would be for our highways team to take forward. I can only advise you contact our highways team regarding this.

That said however, I am still determining how to take this forward. Whilst on site the officer noted there were no additional buildings on site, as first reported, but an additional caravan on site being used for storage. This caravan may also have given the appearance that someone was living on site. As we have extant notices on site relating to caravans, in the coming weeks I will assess our position regarding this caravan and determine what, if any, further enforcement action may be required. I will update you further at that point.

- 29 Riding Barn Hill re planning reference P20/08315/F .
Cllr PGC raised a query following the planning application whereby PC requested the hedgerow to be reinstated.
Clerk has contacted Planning & Enforcement to quantify whether PC comments were reviewed and advised to applicant=
Await update
Thank you for your email. Please find attached the delegated report in relation to P20/08315/F. Para 5.15 refers to the comments made by the Parish Council.

If you are of the opinion that the trees/hedges were removed unlawfully, it must be raised as a separate enforcement matter, and not as part of application P20/08315/F, as the removal occurred before the application was submitted.

Response circulated to councillors 19/11/20- Currently closed- Barrier taken away

- 22 Riding Barn Hill re planning application PK17/4343/F

Cllr BD contacted clerk to advise that the landscaping of the property as commented on in the decision letter has as yet not been undertaken.

Reported to Enforcement 20/11/20

Await reference and update COM/20/0887/BOC
- The Old Vicarage, 85 High St- Resident has contacted clerk to advise that two structures have been erected within the grounds. Clerk has ascertained that one has planning permission for a swimming pool, garage and office however no planning application for the other is visible on the SGC portal.
Clerk has reported to Enforcement and awaiting an update

Reported 07/12/20 and updated reference no COM/20/0933/OD

Footpaths

Cllr BD reported the stile at the bottom of the steps on **LWA/11/20**
It's in a bad state of repair and is almost collapsed.

Email sent to Rights of Way 03/01
CAMS17124

MISC

- Resident has reported the pavement along HomeApple Hill requires cleaning as the embankment has started to encroach the pavement.
Reported to Streetcare 04/01 await reference 1552542& 1552550.

4. To Note and confirm Minutes from December's meeting

Confirmed to be a true reflection

Proposed SA

Seconded DB

All in favour

Carried 6

5. Finance

Clerk has drawn up cheques in favour of:

Clerk to request CW & DB to sign cheques.

- Zoom Licence
- Norton Anti-Virus
- Open Spaces Society subscription renewal
- BR Symes- Hedge cutting Brockwell Park

6. To PROVIDE an update regarding Common Land on Chesley Hill and updates from Solicitors

Cllr GG provided a verbal update regarding correspondence from Solicitors in connection with the registered land owner. The solicitor also advised that they have not as yet made progress with DVLA and the issue of parking.

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7. To PROVIDE update on progress for application for speed tables.

Once a year all submitted investigation list schemes are scored and prioritised - in any given year the highest scoring prioritised schemes will be included in the Council's Capital Programme and fully investigated.

There are three possible outcomes of each investigation:

1. A simple low cost affordable solution is identified and programmed for immediate implementation.
2. No scheme is recommended and the applicant(s) is informed no further action will be taken.
3. A more involved scheme is identified and entered as a priority scheme on the Local Transport Priority implementation List.

Following 3) above, again once a year all implementation priority list schemes are scored, prioritised and also allocated an estimated cost. The top scoring schemes are included in the Council's Capital Programme for actual implementation. The number of schemes added to the programme each year will depend upon the level of funding available.

Unfortunately, it is too late to consider this scheme for possible inclusion in the 2021/22 Capital Programme but the proposal will be assessed at the next Assess and Decide team meeting, and subject to the outcome of that will then be scored and added to the Local Transport Priority List for potential future selection.

Chris.

THIS WILL NOW NEED TO BE DEFERRED UNTIL 2021/2022

8. To CONTINUE discussion regarding a masterplan for projects within Wick and Abson Parish
Clerk pre-circulated updated plan.

Discussion Held

- Speed Visor project to be included on masterplan
- Creation of a community group for Friends of Brockwell Park
- Explore possibility for installation of charging points for electric cars
- Solar Panels
- Options for parking challenges within the village

Ongoing agenda item

9. To PROVIDE an update regarding potential improvements re parking issues including yellow lines.

Cllr SF provided clarity regarding the agenda item however all Councillors are aware of the issue.

Cllr SF confirmed he had not yet delivered the survey due to current lockdown restrictions.

Discussion held

Cllr SF confirmed the survey will be distributed within the next 10 days

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10. To REVIEW the costings and process for introducing Speed Visor signs within the village

Clerk had pre-circulated response from Chris Harris to council providing update re locations/costings.

Discussion held.

Cllr SF requested clerk to contact SGC and request any recent speed data which has been collected by VAS signage positioned within the village

Cllr SF requested clerk to investigate the following:

- Ongoing maintenance costs
- Life expectancy of signs
- Request a copy of the full policy document
- Do SGC recommend any other suppliers apart from Solargen

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Email sent to Chris Harris 15/01 await update

11. To REVIEW ROSPA report and quarterly maintenance report for Brockwell Park and AGREE any actions

Clerk pre-circulated reports.

There are currently 17 medium risks and 1 high risk within the reporting

Discussion held

Proposal for clerk to engage with installers of BMX track for re-surfacing. SF

Seconded DB

All in favour 6

Clerk to contact installer

Email sent 14/01/2021

Proposal to contact Greenfields to quote on all medium risk items within report for repair/removal- please can this be itemised. Also undertake all recommendations within quarterly report

Proposed SF

Seconded GG

All in favour 6

Clerk to take forward

Email sent to maintenance contractors 14/01/21

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12. To REVIEW and RESPOND to Consultation re Local Plan 2020, Phase 1 Issues and Approaches.

Briefing document circulated to councillors.

Discussion held

Councillors will undertake separate submissions

13. To REVIEW planned development of Tracy Park

Defer to February

14. To REVIEW and AGREE actions for Co-Option

Clerk advised that a notification will be required to be published for a period of 21 days on Wick and Abson Parish Council website.

Once all expressions of interest have been received, meeting to be called to review applicants.

Discussion held.

Proposal by SF to advertise with effect from 18th January 2021.

Seconded SA

All in Favour 6

Carried

Clerk to arrange

Posted on website Monday 18th January 2021

15. To REVIEW and AGREE response to Planning application P20/24011/F 68 Naishcombe Hill, Wick

Clerk had requested all Councillors to preview application

Discussion held

Object

Wick and Abson Parish Council objects to this application with the following:

The massing of this extension is out of proportion to the size of the existing property and very large for the plot and inappropriate within village context.

16. To REVIEW and AGREE response to Planning application P20/24007/F RMC Roadstone quarry

Clerk had requested all Councillors to preview application

Discussion held

No comment

17. To REVIEW and CONFIRM Localism charges for 2021

Clerk had pre-circulated paper received from SGC and advised costings for 2021 had increased by approx. £200.00

Discussion held

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18. To NOTE correspondence from:

Planning Decision notice P20/18686/F 32 Naishcombe Hill, Wick- Erection of first floor extension- Approve with Conditions

Update from Wick Sports Ground.

Cllr SF proposed that PC suggest that the Sports Ground create a separate website to advertise other activities

Seconded SA

All in favour 6

Carried

Clerk to contact representatives of Sports Ground

Email sent to representatives of the Sports Ground 15/01/21

19. To RECEIVE short information items and oral updates from members

19.1 Cllr PGC requested clerk to raise with Enforcement property 40a Mendip View. The resident received retrospective planning for a 2 meter fence however the fence which was erected is in excess of 2.5m.

Clerk to report

Email sent to original Enforcement officer Owen Hoare, requesting case to be re-opened in conjunction with planning breach reference no p20/19859/F.

19.2 Cllr GG suggested the possibility of requesting SGC to reinstate grass verges.

Cllr GG to provide detail to clerk.

19.3 Cllr GG requested the Wick sign at top of Naishcombe Hill be cleaned.

19.4 Cllr SF requested the sign from High St to Oldbury Lane to be cleaned

19.5 Cllr SA requested clerk to report Woodside farm, Abson rd as it appears a car scrapyard business is being utilized at this property.

19.6 Cllr SA requested clerk to report 2 large kerb stones which have been installed at Lansdown View, Lodge Road- these have been sited on the road edge and are potentially dangerous to motorists.

20. To RECEIVE and NOTE matters from members for inclusion in next meeting

Covered during meeting and items captured.

Meeting closed at 21:55

Next meeting scheduled 11th February 2021