

Wick and Abson Parish Council
Minutes of the Extraordinary virtual meeting held on 4th May 2021 via Zoom code 597 185
5233 from 7.15pm

Attendees:, Carolyn Williams (CW)- Chair Gaive Golding (GG), Stuart Fowell (SF), Simon Alway (SA) Peter Crew(PGC), Bronwen Dyson (BD)Derek Bonas (DB) ,Clerk Jo Bray-Warner,

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

Declaration of interest: None

Non attendance : Malcolm Watson (MW)

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

None

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

Clerk provided verbal interim report and will provide full report at full council which is scheduled 20th May 2021.

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

Cllr GG provided an update which solicitors who have advised that are the owner of the land locked field has not responded . Our solicitor has advised this may need to now go to Court with further estimated costs in the region of £15,000.00. Clerk has contacted ALCA for further clarity regarding the expenditure. ALCA have advised that Parish Council can spend this amount on this project however they did suggest reviewing whether an Easement could be put in place as a potential solution.

Chair requested comments from Councillors.

Cllr SF confirmed he wished to proceed with the solicitor option.

Cllr BD confirmed she was undecided as to whether to support.

Cllr PGC advised he was cautious with regards to the expenditure however does support taking forward.

Cllr DB suggested reviewing the easement option in more detail.

Cllr KH Requested further clarity, which Cllr CW provided.

Cllr CW advised she was unwilling to support the expenditure

Cllr SA confirmed he would support the expenditure.

Cllr GG confirmed he would support however is cautious regarding the expenditure.

Proposal by GG to proceed with solicitor and request to continue with proceedings

Seconded SA

All in favour 5

Against 3

Carried

Clerk to connect with Solicitor

Email sent to solicitor 04/05/2021 advising them to commence court proceedings

5. To REVIEW and RESPOND to Planning application P21/02642/F 72 Riding Barn Hill

Clerk had pre-circulated and requested Councillors to review application

Discussion Held

No Objection

6. To REVIEW and RESPOND to revised Planning application P19/17557/F Land off Bury lane

Clerk had pre-circulated and requested Councillors to review application

Discussion Held

Objection;

We have concerns with regards to the primary access as both points are shown on a busy road and on a bend. We have concerns regarding the visual amenity outlook especially on the footpath and overall the height of the building for staff welfare.

7. To REVIEW and RESPOND to Planning application P21/02763/LB The Lawn, 117 High Street, Wick

Clerk had pre-circulated and requested Councillors to review application

Discussion Held

No Objection

8. To REVIEW and RESPOND to Planning application P21/02781 Hillcrest, Abson Road, Abson

Clerk had pre-circulated and requested Councillors to review application

Discussion Held

No Objection

9. To REVIEW and RESPOND to Planning application P21/02764/F The Lawn, 117 High Street, Wick

Clerk had pre-circulated and requested Councillors to review application

Discussion Held

No Objection

10. To REVIEW and RESPOND to Planning application P21/02807/PNGR Collins Farm, Abson Road, Wick

Clerk had pre-circulated and requested Councillors to review application

Discussion Held

No Objection

11. To NOTE correspondence from:

11.1 Request from Wick Sports Ground to support with a donation/grant to upgrade cesspit drainage for ground.

Clerk pre-circulated request from WSG prior to meeting which including quotations for work:

Two new soakaway systems £4350 + vat

New pumping chamber £2640 + vat

Electrics for pumping chamber £500 (estimate).

With the vat this amounts to £8880 total.

Discussion held

Agreement in principle however Parish Council require 2 further quotations to review.

Clerk to engage with WSG to advise.

Email sent to WSG 04/05/21 advising of agreement in principle however requirement of 3 quotations in total

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

12.1 Cllr CW advised we have lost 10-15 plants in the planters, Cllr CW requested Councillors to confirm if she were to replace the plants this is acceptable to all councillors. Compost requires topping up

All in agreement- Cllr CW to take forward.

Email sent to Lee Hayward SGC re topping up compost

12.2 Cllr CW provided an update regarding a walkabout undertaken with Simon Penfold- Arboreal officer SGC.

Cllr CW advised activities which SGC will be undertaking.

Simon Penfold will be back in touch within 6 weeks

12.3 Cllr CW advised she has been in touch with the SGC engineer dealing with Naishcombe Hill. New quotations have now been received with SGC and review of budgets is taking place. The engineer also suggested moving the Canon Parker memorial stone to the opposite of the road.

Chair requested comments.

Cllr GG advised he would not be supportive of moving the stone

Cllr KH advised he would support the movement of the stone.

Cllr SF & DB advised that safety is the first priority

Cllr BD felt it needs to be visible.

Cllr SA would like await further clarity on works.

Cllr CW confirmed she will respond to SGC re awaiting further clarity for plans.

12.4 Cllr PGC advised that we require a seat in the bus shelter on the junction of Oldbury lane/High Street.

Clerk to engage with SGC

Email sent to Richard Lewis (SGC) requesting quotation for additional seat

12.5 Cllr GG advised there are a number of trees within the village that have ash dieback and we should advise SGC when identified.

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

None

Meeting closed 21.30

Next meeting scheduled 20th May face to face