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## WEST WICKHAM PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> July 2020

#### in the Village Hall at 7.30pm.

Those present were: Councillor P.Charlton (Chairman), Cllrs. M. Cornish, P. Grieve, A Hazelhurst, A. Schuilenburg & D Sargeant. District Councillor G.Harvey and County Councillor H Batchelor, Mr T Hall & Parish Clerk.

1. **Apologies:** Cllr. Di Licence.
2. **Declaration of Interest:** Cllr. Charlton under item 7 (Finance).
3. **Minutes** of the meeting held on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June were signed as correct.
4. **Matters arising:**
  - a) *Coronavirus update:* Cllr. Licence had reported to the Parish Clerk that thankfully there had been no cases in West Wickham. She continues to receive updates from SCambs and if there is a second wave she and her joint co-ordinator, Nicky Cornish, are hopeful that their volunteers will still be able to help.
  - b) *Mobile Post Office:* An email was sent explaining that the dates they proposed were not suitable and suggested other times but have had no response as yet.
  - c) *Waste area on allotment ground:* Cllr. Schuilenburg checked the area being used for dumping garden waste, for which permission had been given, and it was quite tidy but it is hoped that once the garden has been completed this will come to an end as it does back on to one of the allotments.
  - d) *Hedge cutting on the footpath:* It is not known who has done this during the nesting period but as it is a Right of Way it would be allowed.
5. **Correspondence:** A letter requesting possible donation had been received from MAGPAS but it was agreed that despite it being a most worthwhile cause a donation would not be made because the Council has always felt this was not in their remit.
6. **Planning:**

S/1233/ HFUL	Jane Powell	47 Streetly End	Adj.to rear elev roof by insert of 2 dormers	<b>Obj.</b>	
20/02564/ FUL	Mr Lodge	Land SE of Burton End	Installation of a solar farm & assoc.infrastr.	<b>Obj.</b>	
20/1486/ TTCA	Mr Harrison	32 Streetly End	Conifer reduce height & willow repollard	<b>Supt</b>	

<b>20/02565/ HFUL</b>	P Jordan	The White Horse, 3 High St.	Erection of a part two storey part single res. Dwelling	<b>No recom.</b>	
<b>20/2485/HFL</b>	S Moss	71 High St.	Ground & 1 <sup>st</sup> floor ext.	<b>Supt</b>	

**S/4554 – 30 Streetly End re lighting:** No decision

**20/2564 – Solar Farm:** This application was not supported and the Chairman thanked Cllr Sargeant for the detailed work he put in to back up the objection.

**20/2565 – New dwelling:** This application was returned with “no recommendation” as it was agreed that it could not be supported because of the history behind The White Horse although it also felt it could not object to the revised application.

**20/2485-Ground floor and 1<sup>st</sup> floor extension at 71 High St.** No decision made as not everyone had seen the details.

#### **7. Finance:**

a) Audit completed successfully.

b) *Authorised payments*

£ 56.92 P.Charlton (purchase of football nets) (chq. 927) paid

£146.00 HMRC 1<sup>st</sup> qrt. PAYE (chq. 928) paid

£389.52 J.Richards June/July salary less PAYE (chq.929)

£280.00 ABC Tree Surgery Inv.172 & 174 (chq.930)

£ 70.00 E&E Plumridge Ltd. Inv.268 & 349 (Village Voice print) (chq. 931)

£ 40.50 Jackie Dockerill (Running Total – audit) (chq.932)

£ 42.55 STP Stationery – printing ink. (chq. 933)

*Monies received:*

£6000.00 SCDC 1<sup>st</sup> half of Precept

£81.76 Eastern Power Networks wayleave payment.

#### **8. Traffic & Parking issues:**

a) *Speed Indicator & Speed Watch Reports:* These will be in action during the next few weeks, targeting Streetly End and the High Street.

#### **9. Maintenance:**

a) *Flooding at Streetly End:* This has still not been dealt with despite promises by email.

b) *Pot hole and 30mph road markings:* These also have not been completed, the pot hole having been filled in but the 30mph road marking has not been re-established.

c) *Pavements:* Some pavements in West Wickham have been patched up on one side of the High Street.

d) *Broken bench in playground area:* Robert Giles unfortunately nudged this and it collapsed, parts of it being rotten. **Action:** It was agreed that the bench would be replaced by the Parish Council.

**10. Village Hall & Recreation ground:**

- a) *Football nets:* These have now been purchased, erected and being well used.
- b) *Use of the hall:* The regular groups are coming back and there have been new enquiries for bookings on a regular basis. Regarding extending the hall it would be worthwhile looking into especially if more people are wishing to hire it. It is hoped that the Hub Nights will start up again.
- c) *Post-Covid19 party of thanks:* Cllr. Hazelhurst said this had been discussed at the WWVH committee meeting and thought it might be difficult to have in the hall at present as no music or entertainment is allowed. As the Church had not been able to have a fund raising fete this summer perhaps a joint event could be organised. The Chairman said the Parish Council would be pleased to sponsor it although it will have to be sometime next year but in principal it should go ahead. **Action:** Cllr. Cornish suggested something should go into the Village Voice.

**11. Zero Carbon Funding:** Trevor Hall, Chairman of the Village Hall, said an application would be made for this funding and is getting quotes for renewing lighting, heating and waste disposal. He enquired whether there might be some S106 money available but Cllr. Sargeant said this was supported by the draft Neighbourhood Plan but only for new facilities or an extension but not refurbishments.

**12. Neighbourhood Plan:** Cllr Sargeant reported that the first draft has now been distributed to the Parish Councillors. The section on the development framework must be carefully written up so it would allow the building of a Village Hall. Extension. Rachel Hogger will be contacted regarding additional consultancy to help us as there is additional funding available. The Referendum will be hopefully be next year at the earliest and this was confirmed by Cllr. Batchelor. The Chairman thanked Cllr Sargeant for the work he and his team and put into producing this plan.

**13. Allotments:**

- a) *Replacing gate:* Cllr Licence has reported back to the Parish Council that a gate has been given to the allotment holders to replace the broken one.
- b) *Vacancy and use of allotments:* There is a vacancy and this will be advertised in the Village Voice. Concern was expressed about how the allotments are used, their purpose is for the production of fruit and vegetables, keeping chickens etc.

**14. Defibrillator:** Cllr. Schuilenburg thought it was a good idea to have one to be kept in the entrance to the Village Hall. **Action:** The Chairman asked him to investigate what is available and the cost before making a decision.

**15. Reports from County Cllr. Henry Batchelor and District Cllr. Geoff Harvey:**

- a) *Consultation on next Local Plan* –major theme was transport, education and climate change.
- b) *Cycle paths:* Regarding a cycle path from West Wickham to Horseheath, if the Parish Council is keen to have this, funding could possibly be found. The Chairman replied that it is important that the cycle path goes to where there is a Hub connection and until a decision is made as to where this will be it is pointless to consider it as there has to be a pick-up point.
- c) *Local Highways Improvement Scheme:* The deadline for applying is 27<sup>th</sup> September 2020.
- d) *Local Liaison Forum:* 10<sup>th</sup> August and Cllr Sargeant will attend.
- e) *Transport scheme on A1307:* Cllr. Grieve asked about the letters sent from various local Parish Councils expressing opposition to the proposed bus lane of 800m, costing £1M, on the A1307 as these letters had not been included on the website. The Chairman added that this also happened with comments made on planning applications, e.g. the proposed solar farm.

**16. Meetings attended by Councillors:** Cllr Sargeant had attended the Greater Cambridgeshire Shared Planning Service Area 1 introduction. Both Cllr. Sargeant and Cllr Hazelhurst had attended the South Cambridge Parish Forum. Cllr Hazelhurst spoke about the need for a Directory List covering local Parishes and he is looking into the feasibility of creating this. Cllrs. Charlton and Hazelhurst attended the A1307 meeting. These meetings were all on-line.

**17. Any Other Business:** None.

**The next meeting will be on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2020.**