

Minutes of virtual meeting held on 13th May.

Chairman Mr. David Mortimer thanked Mr. Roger Martin for hosting the meeting and also took the opportunity to record thanks to all frontline workers during the current situation..

Present: Mr. D. Mortimer, Mr. R.Martin, Mr. J. Armstrong, Mr. P. Gorbing, Mr. M. Herridge, Mrs. K. Hinchley, Mrs. H. Tanser, Mr. J. Scholes, Mrs. P. Cumming.

2/20:1: Apologies for absence: Mrs. C. MacDonald.

2/20:2: Declaration of interest: none.

2/20:3: Minutes of meeting held on 12th February were agreed and accepted as a true record.

2/20:4: PARISH PLAN KEY ISSUES:

A) Roads / Speed

- i) Potholes: these continue to be reported on a regular basis in particular unsatisfactory repairs in Dark Lane. Resurfacing is imminent in Weatherlane where the carriageway will be closed.
- ii) There was concern over the deterioration of Redhouse Lane and the continual flow of water running down towards Pearl Lane. It was understood there was also water in the cellar at The Dog. Tests have been made and it was anticipated this would be sorted out shortly.
- iii) A 451 – Dunley – ongoing concerns with regard to speeding, overhanging branches etc. This to be taken up again with Highways and the police (to be discussed further at next meeting).

B) Communication

- i) County Council : regular updates being received from Mr. Phil Grove particularly with regard to the current Covid 19 situation and the work which is being done throughout the county. These reports are proving to be very useful.
- ii) Newsletter: Thanks to Mrs. Tanser for all her hard work in producing this. It was suggested further work be put on hold until a later date.
- iii) Defibrillator: currently being installed at Astley Burf in the former telephone kiosk. Thanks were recorded to Mr. Peter Gorbing for the excellent job in completely cleaning the kiosk prior to installation of the defibrillator, and thanks also to Mr. Ross Andrews for helping set this up. Mr. Mortimer to arrange defibrillator signage.
- iv) Mr. Mortimer wished to record thanks to Mr. Peter Archer for organising the community helpline for those needing assistance with shopping, collecting prescriptions etc. and to those members of the parish volunteering help.

- C) District Council: Mrs. Pam Cumming was able to join the meeting and gave an update on the situation in Malvern Hills, the council working jointly with neighbouring district councils. Details were given of a database for vulnerable people and grants which are available for those who qualify. Although a large grant has been received from central government there is still a shortfall in income, particularly with the closure of leisure centres and theatres.

Following concerns at Astley Burf, the Enforcement Officer recently visited the area and will be revisiting for re-assurance that work being undertaken was being adhered to.

D) Environment:

- i) Shavers End: there has again been unwelcome activity at Shavers End in recent weeks, and thanks were given to the police for prompt action. A joint letter has been sent to the police from Abberley and Astley and Dunley Parish Councils, Meeting being arranged between the police, our district councillors and Abberley Parish Council. Thanks to Mr. Scholes for his input.

Points for Information: this will be included on future agendas , as Any Other Business does not have a formal place on an agenda.

There being no other matters arising, the Chairman closed a successful meeting at 7.45 p.m.