

Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday 10th February 2021 via Conferencecall

- 1) Present: Mr D Mortimer, Mr J Armstrong, Mr P Gorbng, Mrs K Hinchley, Mr J Hurst, Mrs C Macdonald, Mr R Martin, Mrs H Tanser and Mrs P Cumming

Apologies: Mr M Herridge

Mr Mortimer welcomed the members of the Parish Council to the meeting and introduced Mr Hurst, as the new parish councillor and thanked Mr Scholes for his time as a parish councillor.

- 2) Declaration of interest: none.
- 3) Questions/comments from members of the public: none.
- 4) Correspondence: none. (Mr Martin advised the council that had sent the bank details for the new mandate over to Pam Perfect)
- 5) Minutes of meeting held on 11th November 2020: Signed by Mr Mortimer

6) Parish Plan Key Issues:

A) Roads/speed

i) Potholes: Mr Armstrong reported potholes from Crundles Lane down through Astley Burf. Mr Martin reported potholes in Dark Lane. Mr Mortimer has requested that Mrs Perfect write to Hannah Davies regarding the state of the roads and the potholes and Mr Armstrong offered to meet with Hannah Davies if necessary. There is currently no funding available for maintenance on Church Lane.

ii) A451/B4196. Mr Mortimer reported that the branches are still overhanging along the A451 by Dunley Hall. There is also an issue with water running down the road by the Strand Cottages as the recent road repair has resulted in the surface being raised and rain water not draining away.

Mr Mortimer advised that the recent concern raised about buses meeting on the B4196, especially the school bus with the 294 is due to the bus timetable and as this is compiled by Worcestershire Highways the matter will need to be addressed to them.

B) Communication

i) County Council's report:

ii) Broadband Voucher Scheme. Leaflets have been distributed to local properties and Mrs Perfect is still awaiting response.

C) District Council and Planning: Mrs Cumming advised that she had £150 remaining of her budget for the parish council to use. Mr Mortimer suggested revamping the "defibrillation box" at Ridleys Cross.

D) Environment: Nothing to report.

Points for Information:

Mr Mortimer advised that there has been no further information regarding the mast due to be erected adjacent to the Red House on the Beak and to date no planning permission has been submitted. Mrs Hinchley advised that there had been suggestions that the proposed mast site may be moved further down the field and be disguised amongst the trees. Mrs Cumming will find out more about the proposed mast and whether any planning permission is needed.

Meeting closed at 7.47pm.