

Minutes of virtual meeting held on 24th March 2021.

Present: Mr. D. Mortimer, Mr. R. Martin, Mr. J. Armstrong, Mr. P. Gorbing, Mr. M. Herridge, Mrs. K. Hinchley, Mr. J. Hurst, Mrs. C. MacDonald, Mrs. H. Tanser, Mrs. P. Cumming (District Council) and three members of the public.

2/21:1: Apologies: Mr. P. Grove.

2/21:2: Declaration of interest: none

2/21:3: Questions / Comments from members of the public. Concern was expressed by residents at Larford with regard to a proposed solar farm on The Snipes and off Larford Lane, which prompted considerable discussion. The various points raised were noted and comments would be made and discussed fully by the Parish Council when the application was received from MHDC.

2/21:3: Minutes of virtual meeting held on 10th February were approved

2/21:4: PARISH PLAN KEY ISSUES

A) Roads / Speed:

- i) Potholes: continue to be reported
- ii) VAS sign for A451 Dunley and speed enforcement: arrange site meeting with Highways.
- iii) The clerk to contact Severn Trent to rectify flooding problem at Lower Strand.
- iv) Overhanging branches near Dunley Hall – A 451 – The Green Team at County Council to be chased for response.

B) Communication:

- i) County Council – nothing further to report
- ii) Superfast Broadband – in progress (Weatherlane/Woodgreen area)

C) District Council: Mrs. Cumming advised that council meetings continue to be held over Zoom with further Zoom training. Council tax to be increased by £5 on Band E properties. Overnight road closure between The Red Lion and The Hundred House – 19th April. Change of use at Oakhampton House (now known as Severn Manor) – Mrs. Cumming to check with Enforcement. Retrospective applications (keep on agenda for next meeting and Mr. Mortimer to write directly to Harriet Baldwin MP). Community Asset Protection – Mrs. Cumming suggested we contact Shrawley – Mr. Martin agreed to do for next meeting. There being no other items arising Mrs. Cumming was thanked for her report.

D) Environment: Shavers End: Mr. Mortimer had spoken with Mr. Stuart Davies at Wordley Farm regarding litter, illegal parking, anti social behaviour etc. In the vicinity of the quarry. This area to be patrolled on a regular basis and signage installed together with yellow lines in anticipation of reducing some of the ongoing problems.

- i) Footpaths: Mrs. MacDonald advised she was writing to local landowners and would also be looking for volunteers to help with waymarking and signage etc. Footpath no: 537 behind Lower Strand Cottages – subcontractor to be contacted to re-instate.

Accounts for payment: CS Garden Clearance re lengthsman £65.00, P. Perfect salary – six months £2510.00 plus expenses £156.43, PCC Closed churchyard £750.00, St. Peter's Burial Ground Trust £500.00, CS Garden Clearance re lengthsman £195.00, N.Davies – painting

defibrillator box at Ridleys Cross and refurbishment of notice board, Dunley £876.00 (partly funded by County Councillor P. Grove Divisional Fund).

Points for information - HSBC – new mandate to be completed which Mr. Mortimer having to do online. If further problems, it was suggested opening an account at an alternative bank. Agreed.

There being no further matters arising, the meeting was closed at 20.38pm. the chairman thanking everyone for their attendance and to Mr. Martin for hosting.