

**Minutes of a Virtual Meeting of Wrington Parish Council
held on Wednesday 17 March 2021**

Present:	Cllr P Neve (Chair)	Cllr J Steinbach
	Cllr B Taylor (Vice-Chair)	Cllr P Jervis
	Cllr G Bigg	Cllr L Vaughn
	Cllr J Coffey	Cllr H Ward
	Cllr S Lovell	Cllr D Yamanaka
	Cllr L Samuel	F Burke (Clerk)

In attendance: Two residents.

1. To receive apologies for non-attendance and to approve the reasons where appropriate. Apologies were received from District Cllr Steve Hogg.
2. To receive declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI) related to agenda items and to receive any amendments to the Register of Interests. No declarations were received.
3. To confirm and sign as a true record the minutes of the virtual meeting held via zoom on 17 February, 2021.
The minutes were approved signed as a true record.
4. To adjourn the meeting for Public Participation.
Tony Harden wished to discuss his proposal from Agenda item 8: To consider a proposal to upgrade footpath AX 30/1/30 Albury to Ladywell.
Tony discussed the proposal (previously circulated) to replace two of the wooden gates so they are disabled compliant along the AX30/1/30 footpath and to improve the surface at the top of the footpath, Albury's end.
Then to reconvene the meeting
5. To note items of correspondence received and requiring possible action:
 - a. Email from Tina Huckle Mills introducing herself as the new Community Development Officer for Older people in North Somerset with the West of England Rural Network (WERN), a project funded by St Monica Trust. This was noted.
 - b. Email from Elaine Bowman, Principal Access Officer, NSC, regarding prioritisation of the Rights of Way Improvement Plan. This was noted and received and it was reported that the Wrington Rights of Way Improvement Plan had been updated in response to the email.
6. To receive the Clerk's report. The report is available on request.
 - It was agreed to have a proper discussion about the possible use of CCTV on Council-owned buildings at the next Council meeting and in the meantime to ask Cllr Treweek to try and get ideas and/or quotes for this.
 - Councillors reported that there are a large number of potholes on Wrington roads at the moment and in particular along Silver Street. The Clerk to report these to our NSC Area Officer.

7. To consider reports from:
- District Councillor Report, Cllr Hogg. No report had been received.
 - MVMP Patient Participation Group (PPG), Cllr Bigg. Cllr Bigg reported that there had been no meeting since the last Council meeting. MVMP are publishing the amount of vaccines they have given on a weekly basis.
 - Recreational Facilities Working Group, Cllr Ward. Cllr Ward reported that a meeting had taken place where quotes for replacement play equipment in Church Walk had been discussed. One more quote is still needed before these will be circulated and the equipment agreed. Cllr Ward also reported that she had attended the WSSC meeting and reported that they are keen to work closely with the Council going forward. A list of repairs has been drawn up.
 - Bristol Airport update, Cllr Steinbach. Cllr Steinbach gave a verbal update on recent developments in relation to the airport appeal. He reported that the PCAA has now submitted its statement of case to the airport's appeal. He wished to thank Cllr Vaughn for his contribution to this, as well as all of the other people who contributed. Cllr Steinbach also reported on the Case Management's conference for the airport's appeal that he had attended, presided over by three Planning Inspectors. He informed Cllrs that if Bristol Airport loses its appeal there will almost certainly be a judicial review.
 - Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group update, Cllr Bigg. Cllr Bigg reported that she has been unwell recently so had been unable to do much in relation to this over the last few weeks, but she had recently collected some more volunteer names to help.
 - Climate Change Working Group, Cllr Neve. Cllr Neve reported that an open zoom meeting to discuss Climate Change in Wrington has been set up for all to attend. It would be to inform residents about the Council's climate strategy, invite those interested to join a steering group and to start looking at early, simple, quick projects to start the ball rolling in terms of carbon reduction and climate change.
 - Twinning Association/French Connection, Cllr Jervis. Cllr Jervis reported that they are now meeting more regularly and have some events planned, including zoom meetings between the two places.
8. To consider a proposal to upgrade footpath AX 30/1/30 Albury to Ladywell (proposal sent with papers). This had been discussed under item 4.
Resolved: to agree that the Council would help fund this project using money from its reserves and S137 money, up to a cost of £3,000. It is likely that NSC will be able to contribute an amount of no more than £1,000 towards this cost also.
9. To agree to proceed with the list of repairs to the pavilion, as discussed at an inspection meeting carried out previously but with the jobs not yet actioned.
Resolved: To set up a site meeting with WSSC to go through the inspection report from last year to check if the status of them and to decide who has responsibility for which jobs. This will then go to a subsequent finance meeting.
10. To receive the Finance Statement. To authorise payments recommended for approval.
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| ALCA – The Essential Councillors course for Cllr Coffey | £60.00 |
| Travis Perkins – pressure sprayer for maintenance of play areas | £16.01 |
| Tincknell Country Stores – padlock for allotments | £44.99 |
| YMCA – Youth Club provision, February 2021 | £330.00 |
| K & E Property Maintenance – dog bin emptying, February 2021 | £336.00 |

Greenslade Taylor Hunt - rent for Glebe Field, 1 st quarter 2021/22	£100.00
North Somerset Council - monthly inspection of play areas, March (to be paid once the invoice has been received)	£28.80
Assistant Clerk - travel to noticeboards during 4th quarter 2020/21	£4.50
Parish Orderly – travel around the parish, 1 January to 5 February 2021	£11.70
Regular payments:- cleaning of Broad Street toilets (Debbie Heal), NEST Pension Scheme, HMRC (NI & Tax 4 th quarter 2020/21) and salaries for Clerk, Assistant Clerk & Parish Orderly.	
North Somerset Council - monthly inspection of play areas, February (paid)	£28.80
Tony Harden – reimbursement following purchase of weed suppressing membrane for improvements to Alburys/Ladywell footpath (paid)	£57.53

Cllr Steinbach proposed approval of the above payments with Cllr Ward seconding the motion, all in favour.

11. To receive the Finance Group notes. These were received and noted.
12. To consider Finance recommendations:
 - a. To agree to renew the annual ALCA/NALC subscription at a cost of £628.28.
Resolved: To agree to this renewal.
 - b. To agree to pay 50% towards the cost of 3 new picnic benches to be put outside the pavilion at an approximate cost of £300 (as recommended by the Recreational Facilities group).
Resolved: To agree to pay towards the cost of 3 new picnic benches, *note* – since the meeting VAT rules have been reviewed. The Council will pay for two picnic benches, which they will own, and WSSC will pay for one separately, which they will own. A letter will be sent to WSSC asking them to maintain all of the benches and to ensure the area around them is kept clean.

Cllr Ward proposed approval of the above recommendations with Cllr Samuel seconding the motion, all in favour.
13. Consultations:
 - Health and Wellbeing Strategy, NSC, Closing date 28 February.
<https://n-somerset.inconsult.uk/consult.ti/hws/consultationHome>. Cllr Bigg reported that she had replied to this consultation online. She also reported that there are a lot of wider health initiatives happening at the moment.
 - Draft Education Provision in North Somerset – A Commissioning Strategy (2021 – 24) Consultation from 22 February 2021 – 5 April 2021
https://n-somerset.inconsult.uk/consult.ti/EducationProvision2021_2024/consultationHome
Cllr Yamanaka agreed to look at this consultation.
14. To receive matters for information and items for possible consideration at the next meeting of the Council.
No items were received.
15. Confidentiality resolution regarding item 16.

Resolved: That the press and public are excluded from the meeting during the consideration of item 16 on the grounds that publicity might be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business.

16. To discuss Council procedures with regard to legal compliance, confidentiality, transparency and public accountability.
Councillors discussed this issue.

There being no other business the meeting was closed at 9.20pm.

Chairman