

Milton Lilbourne - Parish Meeting Minutes:

Venue: Teleconference (due to the Coronavirus pandemic)

Date: Tuesday 21st April 2020

Time: 7.00pm

Present:

Cllr Paul Oatway QPM (Chairman), Sarah Spanswick (Clerk), Cllr David Fall, Cllr Jamie Cayzer-Colvin, Cllr Anthony Wells, Cllr Ann Maconie, Cllr Liz Minnear, Mr Giles Clayden, Cllr Ray Edwards

Apologies:

None

Parishioners in attendance:

None

Parishioners Questions:

None

Chairman: - Approval of minutes from last meeting:

The Chairman confirmed that the actions required following the previous meeting had been met as follows:-

- Grant for coronavirus contingencies. There may be the opportunity to apply for an event grant, but we are awaiting Wiltshire Council to make a decision once the lockdown has been lifted
- Cllr Oatway has posted refuse collection updates on Facebook and will keep us updated should delays occur again
- List of Deliveries of Provisions and Prescriptions has been drawn up by the Parish Clerk and circulated on Facebook and to our village volunteers
- Parish Clerk contacted our Insurance Company regarding our Public Liability Cover regarding the use of the phone box as a library or other use.

We have been advised that as the telephone box is the property of the PC, the liability sits with the council and it is down to us to stipulate what the box is used for. As it is still a working telephone, access should not be blocked in case it needs to be used in the case of an emergency. Unless the PC are policing the phone box at all times it is difficult to stop people placing items in it but as long as the council have taken all reasonable steps to minimise the risks, then that would be sufficient in the event of such a claim.

The minutes were proposed as a true and accurate record of the last meeting by Cllr. Ann Maconie. This was seconded by Cllr. Liz Minnear. All councillors then voted in support of the motion.

Matters Arising:

None

Declarations of Interest:

Declared by Cllr Anthony Wells:-

- Footpath and hedgerow cutting
- Supplying wine for the PC AGM

Planning Committee Report

Cllr Ann Maconie advised the following applications had been submitted:-

20/01708/ FUL	The Old Bakery, Milton Lilbourne, SN9 5LQ	Removal of existing dilapidated garden building and erection of replacement single storey structure. Repaint the brickwork, front door and wooden vehicle access gate
20/02772/ FUL	Fern Cottage, Milton Lilbourne, SN9 5LQ	Two storey rear extension, internal and external works

Cllr Maconie advised that both applications required Full Planning and Listed Building Consent and that both had some potential issues.

Community Committee Report

- Cllr Fall confirmed that he had nothing to report

Coronavirus Update and Other Business

- County Hall
 - Cllr Oatway advised that Wiltshire Council have received c.6000 applications from local businesses for financial support.
 - They have cleared £50m for payment and hope to release money to c. 4000 businesses in May
 - There are potentially another 3000 businesses who have not applied to date. A grant is available from Wiltshire Council to the value of £10k for small businesses and a £50k loan, interest free, for the first twelve months likewise for small businesses
- Policing
 - Wiltshire Police have issued 129 fines have been issued in relation to the lockdown guideline breaches
 - In general they continue to operate business as usual
 - There is heightened activity in towns, but rural areas have seen very little crime
 - 3 officers were assaulted while investigating a lock in at a public house in Swindon during the lockdown. When officers entered the premises disorder broke out. Police issued 5 penalty notices inside the pub to people who were failing to adhere to the restrictions.
 - Most shops have removed their goods from the shop windows
- General
 - Two food boxes have been donated by residents in the village.
 - Both boxes have been collected and delivered to the recipients, both gentlemen living on their own.
 - The chairman received a thank you from the daughter of one saying her father was completely overwhelmed by the actions of the council
- Cllr Fall commented on the increased number of delivery vans in the village and with the Notice Board being currently out of action, the Village Plan can not be seen. It was agreed that the master copy of the Village Plan be copied on A3 and laminated by Cllr Wells and placed in front of the Village Hall and on or nearby the telephone box. It was agreed that all members would direct drivers to the plan in future.
- Cllr Cayzer Colvin raised the confusion around when the bins would be collected as there were missed dates on the schedule provided by WC.
Cllr Edwards confirmed that the one of the refuse men advised that there had been a missed collection due to the breakdown of one of their vehicles

Action - Cllr Oatway to update dates by way of Facebook

- Cllr Maconie mentioned that the footpath running from Severalls Lane behind The Manor House across to the church yard had become overgrown and overhanging with trees and wondered whose responsibility it was to have it cleared. The footpath is the responsibility of WC however Cllr Cayzer Colvin agreed to have it seen to.

- Cllr Wells offered help with agricultural equipment, chainsaws etc if needed
- Cllr Edwards advised that with the drop in volume of traffic has resulted in higher speeding vehicles
The batteries in the Speed Detection Device are wearing out quickly and only lasting about a week now.
It was agreed by the PC for Cllr Edwards to purchase new batteries for the device.
- Cllr Clayden confirmed that all seems to be ok in New Mill and refuse collections have been up to date. He asked about the new Heritage Signpost at New Mill and it was confirmed that this would be ordered imminently
- The Parish Clerk confirmed that she was keeping volunteers and councillors updated and co-ordinating anything that comes up for the village.

Next Parish Council meeting will be held in same way on Tuesday 5th May at 7pm and will cover Cover 19 issues only.

Finally the Chairman thanked Cllr Cayzer Colvin for hosting tonight's meeting again and everyone for the way in which they managed the meeting which concluded at 7.30pm

Minutes submitted by: Clerk, Sarah Spanswick

Minutes approved by: