

# South Croxton Parish Council

## Minutes of the Virtual Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 11<sup>TH</sup> January 2021 at 6.00 pm

Councillors present: Cllr Dave Morris (Chairman), JoAnn Charles, Cllr Elizabeth Norton

In attendance: Clerk – Mr SC Johnson

### **SC 01 21 Welcome**

Cllr Morris opened the meeting and welcomed all present.

### **SC 02 21 Apologies for Absence:**

Cllr Steve Goodger (No zoom facility), Borough Cllr Daniel Grimley

### **SC 03 21 Disclosure of Interests and Dispensation by Councillors for this meeting**

No interests or dispensations were declared at the start of or during the meeting.

### **SC 04 21 Approve by resolution and sign Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> December 2020**

The minutes, circulated before this meeting, were amended where totalling of cheques contained an error and were then approved by resolution - proposed Cllr Charles, seconded by Cllr Norton, no objections. Clerk to add the minutes to the website and file the copy.

### **SC 05 21 Borough Councillor Report**

Cllr Daniel Grimley was unable to attend the meeting but had submitted his report which was added to the website prior to the meeting and is attached to these minutes. The main issues raised were National Lockdown Guidance, Charnwood Borough Council Offices Covid-19 Vaccination Centre, Ward Member Grants, and Covid-19 Grants.

### **SC 06 21 Police Report**

The report was received prior to the meeting, was added to the website, and is attached to these minutes. In addition Cllrs requested that further contact be made with the Police about joy riding, including performing doughnuts, torching cars, along with general unsociability including fly tipping on Ridgemere Road in the evenings and on Saturday nights. A number of vehicles have been observed parked together with dimmed lights at night time hours from 7pm onwards. Police vehicles were seen in the area on Sunday morning after the event whereas the need is to be seen on Friday and Saturday nights. Clerk requested to draft email to the Police and make the above points and send via Chair. \*

### **SC 07 21 Matters Arising from minutes of meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> December 2020**

SC 113 20 The Rationalising of Planning Document circulated to all Councillors awaits comment. By chance the latest communication from Planning Department at CBC states that they, *'have requested the details of the landscaping are resubmitted in full and an application needs to be submitted for the chalet building that they are currently undertaking'*. This effectively answers the main thrust of our case made in the document prior to it being submitted in letter form. Cllrs made clear the site is designated as temporary yet buildings have been started with concrete foundations. It was also noted that the amount of hardcore spread on the site covers a greater area than stated in the original plan and that drainage for the paddock area is likely

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to be nil under the present situation. Clerk to write to Planning to emphasise these points. \*

SC 116 20 Highways and Parish Community Fund works were not allocated to the Parish Council Contractor though the request for details and price were structured in a manner which indicated it would be. This was disappointing for the Contractor, those with local knowledge, and others who had worked hard at short notice on this project. Clerk to write to Highways to establish who will provide the details of the work required under this initiative. \*

Additional item The Information Commissioners Office Registration Certificate and confirmation of payment was received on 10<sup>th</sup> December 2020 – A Cheque had been sent on 7<sup>th</sup> September 2020.

### **SC 08 21 Planning Update**

\*P/20/1956/2

Erection of detached building to rear of house 42 School Lane currently classed as Invalid

\*P/20/1908/2

3 bay car port 23 Main Street. Planning considering Conservation Area, Listed Building Zone, Footpath, and Ancient Monument – currently classed as Registered.

\*P/20/2092/2

Erection of Agricultural Storage to replace lorry body at 3 Turns Lane. currently classed as Non Invalid.

\*Travellers site update (awaited from Planning Department).

\*P/20/0750/2 Croxton Road Stable Queniborough - Use of land and part of stable building for operation of a dog grooming business (revised scheme, P/20/0750/2 refers). (For information only). Currently classed as Registered.

A further question was raised about the activity at the top of Kings Lane. Clerk to write to Planning for progress. \*

### **SC 09 21 Financial Matters**

Copies of latest Bank Statements, with redacted account details, had been distributed to Cllrs and were confirmed at the meeting as aligning with the following statement:

#### **a) FINANCIAL POSITION STATEMENT FOR MEETING ON 11<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2021**

CURRENT ACCOUNT BALANCE @ 5 <sup>TH</sup> January 2021	<b>11470.16</b>
ESTIMATED INCOME TO YR END	<u>0.00</u>
TOTAL	<b>11470.16</b>
<b>UNCLEARED CHEQUES</b>	<b>0.00</b>
ESTIMATED SPEND TO YEAR END	<u>5930.71</u>
BALANCE	<b>5539.45</b>

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b) CHQS TO BE PAID 11<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2021

226.12

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BALANCE OF RESERVE ACCOUNT

**7922.19**

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c) Precept

The Precept was approved by resolution and will be signed following the meeting within Covid-19 guidelines and then emailed and posted to the Charnwood Borough Council Finance and Property Services.

**SC 10 21** Play a Part Project – Update

A progress meeting was held on 14<sup>th</sup> December 2020 with LCC. Historic files concerning the project to date have been supplied to attendees by the Clerk.

**SC 11 21** Councillor Vacancy

The 14 Day period for notification of the Councillor Vacancy has now passed and co-option by the Parish Council is allowed.

**SC 12 21** Clerks report

The 12<sup>th</sup> Edition of Arnold Baker (the Bible on Local Government Law) is now available at a discount of 20%, The net cost is £119.99. In the precept notes the cost was estimated to be £75.00 thus permission is sought for the additional spend. Decision delayed until later.

**SC 13 21** Drains and Brook Update

Automated information sent from LCC Highways has been queried as the same message was sent last month. A query has been forwarded by the Clerk in response requesting information and plans for progress. It was suggested that an application for a Shire Grant be made to fund further dredging of the Queniborough Brook, Clerk to send details of grant to Chair. \*

**SC 14 21** Correspondence Received

Appropriate email messages forwarded to Councillors.

**SC 15 21** Opportunity for Members of the public to speak

No members of the public were in attendance at the meeting.

**SC 16 21** Items for inclusion in future agenda

Precept decision and signing

Drains and Brook – Update

Play a Part – update

**SC 17 21** Date of Next Meeting

8<sup>th</sup> February 2021 at 6pm

Meeting closed at 6.45 pm

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**Notes From the Borough Council. Councillor Daniel Grimley, Queniborough Ward**

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I hope everybody managed to enjoy the Christmas Break albeit under the Covid Restrictions that were in place at the time.

Since Christmas a further national lockdown was put in place last week.

### **National Lockdown Guidance**

The new guidance says you should only leave home to:

shop for basic necessities, for you or a vulnerable person

go to work, or provide voluntary or charitable services, if you cannot reasonably do so from home  
exercise with your household (or support bubble) or one other person, this should be limited to once per day, and you should not travel outside your local area.

meet your support bubble or childcare bubble where necessary, but only if you are legally permitted to form one

seek medical assistance or avoid injury, illness or risk of harm (including domestic abuse)

attend education or childcare - for those eligible

Colleges, primary and secondary schools will remain open only for vulnerable children and the children of critical workers. All other children will learn remotely until February half term. Early Years settings remain open.

Higher Education provision will remain online until mid-February for all except future critical worker courses.

If you do leave home for a permitted reason, you should always stay local in the village, town, or part of the city where you live. You may leave your local area for a legally permitted reason, such as for work.

If you are clinically extremely vulnerable you should only go out for medical appointments, exercise or if it is essential. You should not attend work.

### **Charnwood Borough Council Offices Covid-19 vaccination centre**

Since the end of December a proportion of the Southfields Building has been used as vaccination centre. The feedback from the NHS is that the Centre is working well there are some teething problems that are being ironed out. It was reported that the centre was providing 40 vaccinations an hours.

### **Ward Member Grants**

I have now awarded the remainder of the Ward Member Grant for Queniborough Ward. Charnwood Councillors as a whole agreed to award £500 each to be distributed by John Storer House to be go to local community groups affected by the first national lockdown. I have now awarded the remaining £500 to the Pochin School Parent Teacher Association in Barkby towards their project to provide a new garden area for pupils. In total they are looking to raise around £20,000. It is unknown at this point whether or not the Ward Member Grant Scheme will run next year.

### **Businesses urged to apply for Covid-19 grants**

Businesses in the village affected by the Covid-19 restrictions are able to apply for support grants. As I am writing this the grants available are changing. I will post updates on social media. Details will also be available at [www.charnwood.gov.uk/bsu](http://www.charnwood.gov.uk/bsu)

You can follow me on Twitter @dangrimley, email [cllr.daniel.grimley@charnwood.gov.uk](mailto:cllr.daniel.grimley@charnwood.gov.uk), facebook: Cllr Daniel Grimley or tel. 01162600899. Post c/o Member Services, Charnwood Borough Council, Southfields, Loughborough, Leicester, LE11 2TX. Once current restrictions are lifted I will resume face to face contact.

Cllr. Daniel Grimley

Charnwood Borough Councillor for Queniborough Ward (including Barkby, Barkby Thorpe, Beeby, Hamilton Lea, Queniborough, South Croxton and part of Thurmaston)

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POLICE CRIME REPORT FOR JANUARY 2021 **THANK YOU** to those who have adhered to the government guidelines in these strange times and continue to abide by the rules. Those who have not adhered to them have been dealt with in an appropriate manner; a few resulting in fines, which we will continue to issue where needed.

As another national lockdown hits, we appreciate that everybody is facing many challenges during this global pandemic, especially with not being able to see families and friends. However; as we all continue to do our bit and follow the guidelines given, we are doing as best we can to fight this virus.

**WE HAVE GOT THIS!**

After looking at the figures for the last **31 DAYS** in the area of SOUTH CROXTON, and there is nothing of note to report.

We have however in nearby areas had reports of attempted burglary and theft from motor vehicles so please have a read of the following advice.

REVISED LAYOUT OF ACCOUNTS FOR 11TH JANUARY 2021 Meeting

CATEGORIES	PRECEPT/INCOME	SPEND TO DATE
PAYROLL SERVICE	216.00	108.00
OFFICE EXPENSES	350.00	461.18
SOLR FEES	650.00	0.00
WEBSITE	372.00	372.00
CLERKS SALARY	1787.00	1101.16
INSURANCE	331.00	333.58
PLAYING FIELD INSP/MAINT	350.00	53.34
PLAYING FIELD MOW/STRIM	1200.00	720.00
SUBSCRIPTIONS	250.00	247.19
STREET LIGHTING	868.00	519.14
VH RENT	550.00	165.00
CCF	2615.00	0.00
AUDIT FEES	170.00	0.00
HMRC	447.00	275.20
TRAINING BUDGET	150.00	20.00
RESERVE A/C	500.00	500.00
DEV A/C	945.00	945.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>11751.00</b>	<b>5820.79</b>

CURRENT ACCT NON BUDGET ITEMS

TRXFER FROM RESERVE	1495.00	
NOTICE BOARD	-2940.00	
BALANCE YR END 2019/2020	4065.14	
RECEIPTS 2020/2021	1384.32	VAT TO 30.06.20
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4004.46</b>	

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ESTIMATE SPEND TO YR END	TOTAL YR END	OVER/UNDER SPEND
108.00	216.00	0.00
-111.18	350.00	0.00
650.00	650.00	0.00
0.00	372.00	0.00
685.84	1787.00	0.00
0.00	333.58	2.58
296.66	350.00	0.00
480.00	1200.00	0.00
2.81	250.00	0.00
348.86	868.00	0.00
385.00	550.00	0.00
2615.00	2615.00	0.00
170.00	170.00	0.00
171.80	447.00	0.00
130.00	150.00	0.00
0.00	500.00	0.00
0.00	945.00	0.00
5932.79	11753.58	2.58

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