

TADMARTON PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF A REMOTE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY 18th JANUARY 2021 AT 7PM

Councillors Present

Tim Turner (Chairman), Jane Fitzpatrick, Paul Higley, Oliver Perera and Kevin Tomblin

Christine Coles (Parish Clerk)

21/01. Apologies

None

21/02. To receive Declarations of Interest under the Council's Code of Conduct relating to business on the agenda

There were no interests to declare.

21/03. Public participation session

There were no members of the public present.

21/04. To approve the minutes of the last meeting held on 30th November 2020

The minutes were approved and signed as a true record of the last meeting.

21/05. To review the action list

New noticeboard for Lower Tadmarton – A new wooden one is very expensive. The alternative would be an aluminium type.

Action: Cllr Fitzpatrick to get a quote from a local carpenter.

21/06. To receive an update on Highway Issues

Potholes are being reported on Fix My Street. There is no further news on the problems at Stant Hill. The spring originates from a private property and the local landowners were going to be contacted.

21/07. To receive an update on Bridleway 12 (TT)

The following update was given. OCC are struggling to get final agreement from the Estate. The grazier using the field near the lane may want to have a route nearer the road under the trees so the grazing field is not compromised in the future should she wish to expand the field towards the road. OCC will continue to chase for an answer.

21/08. To discuss the defibrillators and responsibility for checking them

There are three defibrillators, one outside the village hall, one in Lower Tadmarton and one at Highlands. They should be checked on a regular basis. The one outside the village hall requires new pads which expire in March.

Action: Cllr Fitzpatrick to check what spare parts she has before more pads are ordered. Cllr Perera will check and ask who the guardians are.

21/09. To receive an update on the bus shelter for Brookfield Rise

It has been agreed that a three bay shelter will fit into the existing space. The supplier who carries our work for OCC will install the bus shelter.

OCC require confirmation of the contractor and their insurance to work on the highway. They will need to have acquitted any statutory undertaker's information before they carry out any excavation and need a permit to work from OCC. An extraordinary PC meeting will be arranged to approve the cost of installation and purchase of the shelter.

21/10. To discuss communication, the use of official email addresses and possible vacancies

Not everyone is signed up to the village email addresses and they cost the Parish Council quite a bit of money each year to have. The Parish Clerk encouraged those who had not changed to try and set up their new email addresses.

There are two Councillors who are unable to attend meetings due to other commitments and priorities. Meetings are currently held remotely and will be for the foreseeable future. Vacancies can only be advertised once a Councillor resigns. It was agreed a note would be put in the next Link asking for interest.

Action: The Parish Clerk to draft a note for the next Link.

21/11. To receive an update on the village gateways (CC)

The new village gateways have been installed and there has been lots of positive feedback from villagers. They create a good visual effect as you enter the village and there is advance notice for drivers to change speed.

21/12. Finance Report

The following payments were approved under statutory powers:

- £83.64 to Marsh Commercial (allotment insurance)
- £20.72 to Banbury Print and Design (Foodbank leaflets)
- £47.00 to Jane Fitzpatrick (foodbank leaflet printing)
- £30.00 to Tadmarton Village Hall (electricity use for defibrillator)
- £30.00 to Mr and Mrs Lingwood (electricity use for defibrillator in Lower Tadmarton)
- £2.00 to White Commercial Surveyors Ltd (electricity use for defibrillator at Highlands)
- £14.39 to Parish Clerk (zoom subscription)

To set the precept for 2021/22

A draft budget sheet had been circulated. Estimated spend for 2021/22 is £9000.00. It was agreed to set the precept for 2021/22 at £10,715.00 (3% increase on previous year). Projects to look at for the new year are the new footpath linking Lower Tadmarton and the main part of the village and treating the benches and existing bus shelter in Upper Tadmarton.

Action: The Parish Clerk to notify CDC of the precept amount.

21/13. Planning applications

An update was given on older applications.

- 20/02763/F, *Erection of single storey front extension to form shower room at Apple Tree Cottage, Main Street.* Granted by CDC.
- 20/03495/TCA, *Tree work at Stonewold House, Main Street.* No further comments or objections by CDC.

21/14. Correspondence

The following correspondence had been received and circulated:-

- CDC, Parish Bulletin (Census 2021). Cllr Tomblin has agreed to be the lead on this.

21/15. Councillors Reports

There are flood warning signs in the village which require removing/taking down. It was agreed to lay them down as more heavy rain is forecast.

The idea of a footpath linking Lower Tadmarton and the main part of the village was discussed.

Concern has been expressed again at those who park in the bus stop space opposite the pub. This has been discussed before as it is dangerous for those who live nearby. There is not enough space for proper road markings. A sign on the wall had been suggested previously.

Action: The Parish Clerk to send a photo to the contact at Highways for some advice.

21/16. Date and Time of next meeting

Monday 1st March 2021 at 7pm

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 8.10pm.

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