

NEWBOLD PACEY AND ASHORNE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 4TH MARCH 2020

PRESENT:

Councillors: M Whyte, L Tranter, P Brazel, S Bolton, R Wright

District & County Cllr: A Parry

Clerk: C Price and 0 members of the public

1	Public Participation
	None
2	Election of Parish Council Chair
	Nominations were requested for the position of Parish Council Chair. Cllr Brazel was nominated and unanimously elected as Chair. Cllr Brazel completed the declaration of acceptance of office and took the chair, thanking Cllr Whyte for his work as Chair over the last year.
3	Declarations of interest in items on the agenda
	Cllr Bolton declared an interest in item 11.
4	Apologies for Absence
	Apologies were received from Cllr Whyte who left after item 2.
5	To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 8 th January 2020
	The Minutes of meeting of the Parish Council held on 8 th January were approved (with an amendment to item 9j) as a true record of proceedings and signed by the Chairman. Proposed: Cllr Brazel Seconded: Cllr Wright
6	District Councillors' Report
	The Parish Council noted the content of Cllr Parry's report (previously circulated) which stated: The Medium Term Financial Plan 2020/21 to 2024/25 was approved at Full Council on 24th February and means that the Council Tax will increase by £5 for a Band D property to £144.12 and pro-rata for other bands. Whilst SDC is responsible for the collection of the Council Tax it actually receives less than 8% in terms of revenue. The approved new budget includes a £500k allocation towards Climate Emergency and also funding for a Core Strategy Review. The Council also agreed to support a campaign that shops and other retail premises should not leave their doors open – the 'Close the Door' Campaign.

	<p>The motion to defer the introduction of the green bin charges by six months was rejected and therefore SDC will join 70% of other local authorities to introduce a subscription charge for this discretionary service, which has been forced upon the council in view of the shortfall in government funding. Food caddies together with the grey and blue bins will continue to be collected and emptied as part of mandatory services.</p> <p>The Leader and members of the senior management team have had a meeting with Jeremy Wright MP and Paul Maynard MP the Minister for Aviation at Westminster in February to reinforce the importance and role that Wellesbourne Airfield provides through its flying functions across the district and regionally.</p> <p>Awareness Event – Exploitation Warwickshire Police are giving a talk on local issues relating to county lines, cuckooing and child exploitation on Tuesday 10th March at 10.00 and 6.00pm at Stratford Play House, 14 Rother Street, Stratford-upon-Avon. Free to attend – please book via sam.siemensek@stratford-dc.gov.uk</p>
7	County Councillors' Report
	<p>The Parish Council noted the content of Cllr Parry's report (previously circulated) which stated:</p> <p>At the Full County Council meeting on 18th February both the Council Plan from 2020 to 2025 was approved together with the Budget for 20/21 BS RGW 2929-2025 Medium Term Financial Strategy. The County Council Tax is to rise by 3.99% which includes 2% to be ringfenced for Adult Social Care. This means that the budget for Adult Social Care will be increased to £182 million (receiving an extra £15m revenue) and £187 million for education and children (an extra £18m revenue) giving children the best possible start in life. WCC is also investing £27million in the fire service and also £50 million in improving the quality of our residents' roads.</p> <p>WCC has allocated a budget of £7million over five years to implement Climate Change strategies and the county will include increased spending on flood defences, investing in its green fleet of cars and charging points for electric vehicles.</p>
8	Planning
	<p>a) New plans to consider None</p> <p>b) Decisions of the committee since the last meeting None</p>

c) District decisions																																							
Reference	Status	Address	Proposal																																				
19/03430/TREE	Tree Works Approved	2 The Green Paynes Lane Ashorne CV35 9DT	T1 - Prunus - reduce in height 2m and radially to 1m to leave the tree 7m high and width at 4m. T2 - Acer - reduce in height 1m and radially 1m to leave the tree 4.5m high and width at 2m.																																				
19/02870/FUL	Permission with conditions	Land Adjacent To Pinecroft Ashorne	Erection of one self-build, local market dwelling and all associated works																																				
9	Finance																																						
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10	Updates on Parish Issues																																						
	<p>a. Staffing</p> <p>i. To receive verbal update on Clerk recruitment Cllr Wright reported that shortlisted applicants will be interviewed on 11th March 2020. Applicants not shortlisted have been informed.</p> <p>ii. To receive verbal update on preparations for Clerk’s handover The Clerk reported that a handover document was being prepared in case the new Clerk was not in post before 31st March. If that is the case then all files, equipment etc will be handed over to Cllr Brazel except for</p>																																						

	the 2019/20 accounts file which will have gone to the auditor to begin the first step of the annual audit process.
10	Items for the next agenda
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dog waste bin instalation • Allotment water meter • Emergency Plan • Clock maintenance quotes • Risk to operations committee • VE Day • Village Hall flooding • WCC end of project report • The Holloway • Church maintenance volunteers • Local Electricity Bill • Priscilla Clark
11	Date of the Next Meeting
	It was resolved that the next meeting would be held in the Ashorne Village Hall on Wednesday 6 th May 2020 at 7.30PM to include the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council and the Annual Parish Assembly

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8:38pm