

# LONG BENNINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

ACCEPTED MINUTES of the Parish Council Meeting  
Held Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2020

	<b>Public Forum</b>	
	3 members of the public in attendance. It was RESOLVED to open the meeting for agenda items 7 and 9 to allow further information to be provided to Cllrs.	
	<b>Remote Zoom Meeting commenced at 7.30pm</b>	
	<b>Present via video and audio</b>	<b>Action</b>
	Martin Wright(MMW), Geoff Fearn (GF), Daryl Walton(DW), Carole Lee (CL), Paul Wood (PL), Iain Lyon(IL), John Leventhall (JL), Ross Warman (RW), Stephen Pearson (SP), Mick Brooks (MB), Mick Walker (MW) County Cllr Alexander Maughan and Jane Evans (Clerk)	
<b>18/541</b>	<b>Apologies for Absence</b>	
	None	
<b>18/542</b>	<b>Declarations of Interest</b>	
	GF declared an interest in S20/0669 as adjacent landowner and later in the meeting declared an interest in agenda item 3 -discussions regarding the proposed solar farm.  It was RESOLVED to bring agenda item 4 up the agenda to allow Cllr Maughan to speak and then leave the meeting to attend another PC meeting.	
<b>18/543</b>	<b>County Council &amp; District Council Report</b>	
	<u>County Councillor</u> a) TRO/lorry parking update Cllrs were referred to the LCC proposed cycle lane and background/summary information was provided. Parish Cllrs agreed it was unsuitable and the impact on local facilities would be unacceptable. It was agreed that a site meeting is to be arranged prior to public consultation and the matter can then be discussed again at the October meeting.  b) Parking outside Co-op – Cllrs were advised Rowan Smith, LCC Highways would be asked again about white lines.	AM  AM
<b>18/544</b>	<b>Minutes &amp; Matters Arising from Previous Meeting 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2020</b>	
	<u>Matters Arising</u> 18/533 Other planning – Cllrs were advised a meeting has been arranged with Peter Grubb, Savills. PW, JL and MMW agreed to attend. 18/535 Hedgerow – PW agreed to chase for response from SKDC 18/538 DW advised not all surveys have been completed and once feedback has been received an update will be provided to the PC.  It was RESOLVED that the minutes be signed as a true record.	
	<b>County Council &amp; District Council Report</b>	
	<u>District Councillor</u> PW advised that £4.2m extra costs have been incurred by SKDC due to Covid19, at this stage, only £1.8m being covered by Government grants. Cllrs were advised Council meetings continue to be held remotely and the new Chief Exec has submitted restructuring proposals. Cllrs were referred to an email regarding devolution and PW confirmed he is not in favour.	
<b>18/545</b>	<b>Planning</b>	
	<u>Applications</u> – S20/0669 Smith. Application for One mobile home and one	

	<p>touring caravan for a traveller that works in forestry at land North of Bennington Bait, Valley Lane, Long Bennington. RESOLVED to object on the same grounds as the previous application, with reference to the reasons for refusal by SKDC (being unchanged). It was further agreed to circulate the information to residents.</p> <p>S20/1453Mr &amp; Mrs S Haywood-Grey. Application for insertion of new window into existing converted annex and the erection of garden room office at 40 Main Road, Long Bennington. RESOLVED no objection</p> <p><u>Planning Approvals</u> –see agenda.</p> <p><u>Planning Refusals</u> – S20/0195 Greenfield and Baggeley – no comments.</p> <p><u>Planning Appeals/Withdrawals</u> – none</p> <p><u>Other planning issues</u> – none</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
<b>18/546</b>	<b>Refurbishment of Pumping Station at Playing Field – to discuss quotes and approve contract</b>	
	<p>MEETING OPENED for this item only</p> <p>Background information was provided with explanation of the current system and issues needing attention. Cllrs were referred to the attached quotes and summary and it was RESOLVED to accept the quote from Allerton Bradley Ltd for £1415+vat, funds being available within budget following receipt of InvestSK grant.</p>	
<b>18/547</b>	<b>Greater Nottinghamshire Strategic Plan consultation – to discuss</b>	
	<p>Following discussion about the proposal within the plan to have a garden village near Elton and Orston, it was RESOLVED to object, it being in the wrong place and road network/infrastructure not appropriate for suggested number of new houses.</p>	
<b>18/548</b>	<b>Gods Acre, St Swinhun’s – to discuss</b>	
	<p>MEETING OPENED for this item only.</p> <p>A summary of the history, background on finance and the current situation with the state of the churchyard was provided for the PC. It was confirmed work has now commenced, details of which are provided in the Parish News. Residents are being asked for suggestions on how it should look and plans will then be agreed following this consultation. Volunteers are sought to help with a general “tidy” day on 26<sup>th</sup> September. It was agreed the area is already looking better.</p>	
<b>18/549</b>	<b>Bulb Planting – to discuss further planting in the village</b>	
	<p>RESOLVED to plant further bulbs, up to maximum budget of £450, focussing on the northern end of the village.</p>	Clerk
<b>18/550</b>	<b>Chairman and Clerk’s Report</b>	
	<p><u>Chairman’s Report</u></p> <p>It was RESOLVED to continue with remote meetings for the rest of the year and review again in December.</p> <p><u>Clerks Report</u></p> <p>Councillors were referred to the attached report. No further comment.</p>	
<b>18/551</b>	<b>Finance</b>	
	<p>Councillors were referred to the attached schedule of invoices for payment totalling £9349.61. Resolved – to pay the invoices.</p> <p>Community Cleaner hours worked and payment – approved.</p> <p>Request from VHMC to provide reimbursement for insurance renewal £1901.75 – RESOLVED to pay, funds available within the agreed budget.</p> <p>To approve donation to Royal British Legion re Remembrance Sunday wreath – RESOLVED to donate £100, being within agreed budget.</p> <p>RW advised he would remove the old wreaths.</p>	Clerk

<b>18/552</b>	<b>Reports</b>	
	<p>Playing Fields Management Committee – no report</p> <p>Village Hall Management Committee – the refurbishment is mostly complete, the VHMC is supporting the Medical Centre with use of the hall for flu vaccinations in October and robust plans have now been put in place to allow opening of the facility.</p> <p>School Liaison – no report</p> <p>Emergency Planning Group Report – it was confirmed the emergency box has been refurbished and all volunteers have been contacted to ensure they are still available for support.</p> <p>Road Safety – it was confirmed the PCSO has spoken to the Co-op and hairdressers about parking outside the premises.</p> <p>It was agreed that following proposed closure of the slip road on the A1 at Toll Bar Road, improving the safety of the junction at the southern end of the village is a priority. It was agreed to ask AM for feedback and add it to the next agenda for discussion.</p> <p>Police Report – a number of rogue traders have been in the village and it was agreed to mention in Parish News report, encouraging residents to dial 101 if in a situation where trader is reluctant to leave.</p> <p>Footpaths &amp; Streetlights – no report</p> <p>Communications Committee – no report</p> <p>Witham Meadow Project Report– no report</p>	<p>Clerk/AM</p> <p>Clerk</p>
<b>18/553</b>	<b>Correspondence</b>	
	<p>Councillors referred to attached list of correspondence received during the last month.</p> <p>No further comment</p>	
<b>18/554</b>	<b>Items for next agenda and Parish News Report.</b>	
	<p>Proposed new service station</p> <p>Carparking at playing field and proposed new cycle lane.</p> <p>Improvements to safety of junction at southern end of the village.</p>	
<b>18/555</b>	<b>Date of next meeting – 5<sup>th</sup> October 2020</b>	
	<b>Meeting Closed 9.26 pm.</b>	
	<p><b>Signed</b>.....                      <b>Designation</b>.....</p> <p><b>Date</b>.....</p>	