

Minutes of the Meeting of Fillongley Parish Council
Held at Fillongley Village Hall on Thursday 16th March 2023 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllr A Robert Pargetter, Cllrs S Onions, Cllr J Hooke, Cllr S Taylor, Cllr C W Antrobus, Cllr D Wardley and Clerk: Mrs H Badham.

There was 29 members of the public in attendance.

13944 AGENDA ITEM 1 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllr A White and WCC Cllr D Humphreys.

13945 AGENDA ITEM 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Chairman invited members who wished to do so to make declaration of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interest in respect of items on the agenda. None were declared.

13946 AGENDA ITEM 3 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of the previous Council meeting held on Thursday 16th February 2023, having been previously circulated and read, were then approved on the proposition of Cllr Onions and Seconded by Cllr Hooke. All in favour.

13947 AGENDA ITEM 4 PROGRESS REPORTS for information

- a. **Fibre to the Premises.** No further update received.
- b. **VAS Signage.** No further information yet from WCC contractors
- c. **Playground Repairs/Renovations.** Application in progress. No further report.
- d. **Corley Moor; Responsibility of tracks.** Apologies received for the delayed response. Initial response was not informative or definitive. More information has been passed back to NALC and FPC are awaiting update.
- e. **Neighbourhood Plan Review 2023.** Councillors reviewed updates. There was discussion with regard to housing and it was decided to wait until the results of the Housing Needs Survey to finalise that based on evidence provided. Councillors queried how the FNP update is finalised – Clerk has already written to NWBC and is awaiting a reply.
- f. **Change of speed limit in Wood End Lane.** Cllr Humphreys was not in attendance. Clerk has specified locations for speed surveys but these have not yet been authorised.
- g. **Housing Needs Survey.** Surveys are back from the printers. They will be distributed by Councillors, Clerk and the Royal Mail. All addresses will have one. There is also an online web response address.
- h. **Silver Saturday 2023.** There was discussion as to whether the Saturday was viable. Meeting closed. The Chairman asked the members of the public their opinion as to what should be done. It was suggested that a disco would be better and furthermore that one resident had offered to do this. Meeting reopened. Clerk to contact resident to see if that is possible.
- i. **Cemetery Water supply.** Severn Trent will be inspecting the work on 27th March.
- j. **School buses.** The Social Club have given West Coventry Academy permission to use their car park so they are changing route. Another operator is currently saying that there is nowhere else possible. The operator of the 52 seater coach has not yet made contact but it has not been entering the car park since the emails went out.
- k. **Fillongley Solar Farm.** The PC have received more emails against the proposed solar farm (the Chairman read out one), and it is now a valid application. NWBC are sending out consultation letters to

every household in the Parish. The Chairman closed the meeting at this point so that the members of the public could inform the Councillors as to their opinions. There was much discussion and concerns were raised regarding flooding, habitat bio-diversity, greenbelt etc. The Chairman asked for a show of hands for and against the proposal; there were 3 abstentions, 3 for and 23 against. The meeting re-opened.

- l. Chargy EV points.** The Clerk contacted the company who wished to present their proposal to the Council to invite them to the meeting but they are too busy and may be available later in the year.
- m. Dropped kerb on Wood End Lane.** WCC are investigating if this should be provided by the developer. Clerk has also raised it on a list of outstanding issues with Cllr Humphreys.

13948 AGENDA ITEM 6 PUBLIC DISCUSSION

Meeting Closed. There were no other issues brought forward by the members of the public.

Meeting Re-opened

13949 AGENDA ITEM 5 MATTERS FOR DECISION

- a. Coronation Big Lunch.** Councillors have already agreed to host a picnic in the park on Church Lane on Sunday 7th May from midday onwards. Fillongley Scouts have agreed to erect their marquees and provide tables and chairs, with their toilets to be available. Scouts asked for a donation for the marquees as other Parishes have asked to rent them. Cllr Onions proposed a payment of £200, Seconded by Cllr Hooke. Fillongley Social Club committee meeting was tonight and they will be deciding if they would like to provide an outside bar. There was discussion regarding garden games. Councillors have some games that they are happy to provide.
- b. Coronation Mugs.** Clerk had 3 samples and a number of other designs available. Councillors decided to order 360 small Balmoral mugs with a picture of the King on one side and the Coronation logo on the other side. These will be distributed to all children of primary school age and under.
- c. Coronation Funding Application.** After discussion, it was agreed to apply for NWBC grant for Coronation Funding which can be spent on marquee hire, garden games and possibly refreshments. Clerk to submit application.
- d. Memorial Football Match.** Keresely Coronation who have a pitch hire agreement with FPC have requested permission to hold a match in memory of one of their former players in June. Cllr Antrobus proposed that FPC make no charges for the match. Seconded by Cllr Wardley. All in favour.
- e. Trip rail proposal.** Further to discussion with WCC regarding ongoing parking issues, it was suggested that the installation of “trip rails” may resolve the issue. Following brief discussion the Clerk was asked to get costings for the next meeting.
- f. Great British Spring Clean participation.** This is nationally planned from 17th March for 2 weeks. Councillors agreed that the Clerk should provide litter picking kit at the village hall for volunteers to participate on the weekend of 25th/26th March. Collected bags of rubbish to be left in a pile at the Village Hall but not put into the VH bin.

13950 AGENDA ITEM 7 CORRESPONDENCE

- a. Football Pitch/changing room changes
- b. Memorial football match
- c. Road Closure – Highfield Lane, 21-23rd March
- d. Tom White Waste pricing review letter
- e. Open Space Society newsletter (circulated by email)

- a. **Card from HM King Charles III.** *The Clerk and Council were delighted to receive a card from King Charles III thanking them for the letter of condolence sent on the death of the Late Queen Elizabeth II*
- b. **Great British Spring Clean – 17/3 – 2/4.** *As discussed Agenda item 13949 f.*
- c. **Football Pitch/changing room changes.** *Email received from Fillongley Football Club, essentially asking for assistance with line marking the pitches and decorating the changing rooms. Councillors agreed that the Lengthsman could assist with both these tasks.*
- d. **Memorial Football Match request.** *As discussed in Agenda item 13949d.*
- e. **Road Closure – Highfield Lane from 21-23 March 2023.** *Noted.*
- f. **Tom White Waste pricing review letter.** *Noted.*
- g. **Open Space Society newsletter.** *Circulated by email.*

Planning Applications to consider;

PAP/2023/0045 Springfield House, Coventry Road. Balcony to the rear of the property with first floor rear opening & External Office. *No objections.*

PAP/2023/0071 Land 800 Metres South Of Park House Farm, Meriden Road. Construction of a temporary Solar Farm providing 47.7 MW output, to include the installation of ground-mounted solar panels together with associated works, equipment and necessary infrastructure. *It was agreed to put this on next months Agenda as not everyone has received their consultation letters. Clerk to notify NWBC.*

To receive the following **Determinations of Planning Applications;**

PAP/2022/0126 15 Shawbury Lane. Certificate Of Lawfulness For Existing Outbuilding. *Certificate of Lawfulness Refused.*

PAP/2022/0497 4 Shawbury Village Shawbury. Works To Tree Protected Tree Preservation Order - Fell Lime Tree *Withdrawn - Valid application*

Ongoing Planning Infringement issues;

- Land behind sewage works, Tamworth Road
- Packsaddle, Fillongley Road
- The Cleeve, Meriden Road
- Cassidys Coventry Road **CMP/2020/00183**
- Meadow View Farm
- Heart of England Camping issues
- Bella Vista, Coventry Rd **CMP/2020/00273**

All issues were briefly updated by the new enforcement officers at NWBC.

13951 AGENDA ITEM 8 FINANCE

Payee	Reason	Nett	Reclaimable VAT	Gross	Method
H Badham	SCP 23 February				BACS
L Judge-Porter	Manpower February				BACS
HMRC	Tax				BACS
H Badham	Broadband March	10.00		10.00	BACS
MB Systems	Inv	7.35		8.82	BACS
H Badham	Printer ink	18.87	£3.77	£22.64	BACS
G H Pearman	Cable ties for park	12.00	2.40	14.40	BACS
Unity Trust Bank	Charges	18.00		18.00	DD
Unity Trust Bank	Charges – cemetery a/c	18.00		18.00	DD
Tom White Waste	Cemetery	22.88	4.48	27.46	BACS
Buy My Print	Housing Needs Survey	378.00	75.60	453.60	BACS
North Warwickshire Computers	Website maintenance & HNS online survey	190.00		190.00	BACS

Cllr Wardley proposed payment of all invoices listed above. Seconded by Cllr Antrobus. All in favour.

13952 AGENDA ITEM 9 COUNCILLORS REPORTS and items for future agenda

- Clerks Election Training and Costing. Clerk reported that she has attended NWBC Election Training. All candidates need to get their own nomination papers and take these in to The Council House. The Clerk is not involved in the process. There will be a charge to FPC whether or not there is a local election; it is likely to be in the region of £500 if there is no Parish election and £2000 if there is.
- Notice Board at junction of Shawbury Lane/Broad Lane. Following discussion it was decided not to pursue providing a notice board at this location.
- Cllr Antrobus reported bad potholes on Shawbury Lane
- Cllr Wardley asked what was being done with regard to the reinstatement of the verge outside The Grove
- Cllr Wardley noted that there were continually significant numbers of vehicles parked on the verge outside Broad Manor. Clerk to write.
- Mill Lane drain. WCC have looked at it, but the Clerk is not aware of action decided.

13953 AGENDA ITEM 10 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Date of next meeting to be 20th April 2023. Meeting closed at 9.30pm.

13954 AGENDA ITEM 11 VILLAGE HALL BUSINESS

- **New lease.** Clerk has received information that the Charity have written to the Charity Commission for permission to charge a less-than-market-rate rent. Response expected in a few weeks.
- **Path/car park.** Three quotes have now been received however there were queries on two of them and the contractors have not yet responded to those queries. One Contractor has suggested a site meeting but not agreed to a date, the second contractor has not responded with updated costs. Councillors were deciding whether to wait longer to see if the Contractors would indeed provide the information or to go ahead with the complete proposal on the table. Cllr Wardley proposed acceptance of the quote from Fillongley Renovations; although it was not the cheapest it would provide a good quality of work and their responses were timely. Seconded by Cllr Antrobus. All in favour.
- **EE Price changes.** The monthly phone bill for the village hall is increasing to **£10.01 per month**

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J Moore	VH bkgs/Manpower February				BACS
HMRC	Tax				BACS
Tom White Waste	Invoice IAC78281	14.44	2.89	17.33	BACS
EE Phone	Monthly			8.75	DD
Domestic & Gen	Boiler care plan	24.54		24.54	DD
British Gas Lite	Electricity	66.15	3.31	69.46	DD
British Gas Lite	Gas	108.96	5.45	114.41	DD
Water Plus	01141172	62.09		62.09	BACS
Live & Local	8962	203.00	40.60	243.60	BACS
Astleys	INV174953	215.13	43.02	258.15	BACS

Cllr Taylor proposed payment of all invoices listed above. Seconded by Cllr Hooke. All in favour.