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MINUTES: of the Parish Council Meeting held via Zoom on Monday 18th January 2021 at 6.30 pm.
 PRESENT: Parish Councillors: Beverley Chance, Charlie Hanks, David Pickup, Keith Russell, Peter Bell.
 IN ATTENDANCE: Maxi Freeman, Clerk

- 1) **Call to order.** The Chairman called the meeting to order at 6.30 p.m.
- 2) **Apologies for absence.** None.
- 3) **Declarations of Interest on items on the Agenda. (Localism Act 2011).** None.
- 4) **To hear representations from the public regarding items on the Agenda.** None.
- 5) **Approval of minutes of the previous meeting (September 2020)** The Chairman approved the minutes once 2 typos were corrected. The Chairman agreed to sign the minutes at a Covid secure meeting the next day. Action: Clerk to post to website.
- 6) **Matters Arising (Clerk's Report and report from Chairman).** The Clerk's report was noted.
- 7) **Planning applications**

The recent 18 applications and permissions were noted, of which 4 are still awaiting decisions:

20/04663/TCONR Spring Cottage. Pollard large willow. No objections.

20/03928/LBC and 20/03927/FUL Conversion of Longford barn and ancillary buildings.

Posted 'no objection' to portal. Awaiting decision.

20/03675/FUL Side and rear extensions to 2 Jasmine Cottages. NPC recommended off-street parking be required, either garage as previously approved or other arrangement. Awaiting decision.

20/03214/FUL Harford Hill Farm, Naunton. Conversion of three barns to residential dwellings. Removal of existing agricultural barns.: Posted 'no objections' to portal. Awaiting decision

8) **Highways**

(a) **Parking.** Cllr Chance reported no current issues with parking but that may be due to Covid restrictions on visitors.

(b) Cllr Chance also reported that the Mill Race section of the riverbank was ¾ clear but that the landowner had yet to respond re: the remaining obstructions. Cllr Chance reported that the grip opposite also needed to be cleared.

9) **Assets and risk assessment**

<p>Recreation field (including dog waste) and benches.</p>	<p>Cllr Bell reported that there had been several complains about dog waste in the field and in the play area. The PC has previously leafletted the village and tried a campaign of spraying deposits with coloured paint, as well as reminding villagers through the newsletter. However, many deposits are still being found. The Naunton Recreation Ground Management Committee has requested further action. Cllrs agreed to fix 'Keep dogs on leads' signs at the entrance points to the field and play area. Action: Clerk to buy 5 signs plus 3 posts, with 2 signs to be fixed to existing gates. Signs to be metal (not plastic), with metal clips. Cllr Bell will order leaflets from CDC for delivery to every B&B/visitor accommodation in the village. The effects will be monitored by volunteers. All councillors offered to help.</p>
<p>Play area (including dog waste)</p>	<p>See above. Cllrs agreed that a fence around the children's play area would be expensive and would require</p>

	maintenance. It would also interfere with mowing and the annual bonfire.
Flood Monitoring	<p>Cllr Russell reported that the river is flowing well but was very full. Cllr Russell also reported he had not received an alert from the flood monitoring unit during recent heavy rains, although other councillors had received an alert.</p> <p>Cllr Russell also noted that there did not seem to be any sandbags in the storage unit. Action: Cllrs Bell, Pickup and Russell to check flood group inventory Tuesday 19th January at 2 p.m. (since done) and inform the clerk, who will order further supplies if required to restore the number of Aqua sacks to 50. Cllr Pickup to check whether the Flood Monitoring Group (which had been set up as self-funding) needed funds.</p>
Village Hall	Nothing to report.
Pound Wall	Cllr Chance reported that the wall would be repaired in February.
Sign for Baptist burial ground.	Cllr Chance reported that the signwriter expected to complete the sign in 2 or 3 weeks.

10) Finances.

10.1 Current accounts. Councillors noted balances as per the agenda.

10.2 Reconciliation. Councillors noted the reconciliation, which the Chairman agreed to sign at a Covid secure meeting the next day.

10.3 Payments and receipts. Councillors resolved to make the following payments:

787	M Freeman	Clerk's salary October/November 2020 @ £194.81 p m =	LGA 1972 s.112 (2)	£389.62
793	M Freeman	Clerk's salary December/January 2020/2021 @ £194.81 p m =	LGA 1972 s.112 (2)	£389.62
794	Dovecote	Grant	LGA 1972 s.137	£1000.00

11) Budget review and Precept setting for 2021/2022. Councillors noted the year's expenditure and income and the reserves expected at the end of the year. Although expenditure had exceeded income slightly this was due to the one-off grant to the Dovecote. Cllr Hanks noted that no new play equipment was needed. As a result, Councillors resolved to keep the precept at the same amount as last year i.e. £12,414.10, which includes £6,455.84 in repayment of loans to refurbish the village hall. Action: Clerk to complete precept application and forward to CDC.

12) Internal audit. Cllrs noted the fee of £175 and resolved to appoint an internal auditor from GAPTC for FY20/21. Action: Clerk to inform GAPTC.

13) Any other business. Cllrs agreed to hold the next meeting on Monday 15th March 2021 at 6.30 p.m. The location will be subject to Government guidelines.

The Chairman concluded the meeting at 7.45 p.m. and thanked everyone for their attendance.



Signed by the Chairman
15 March 2021