

ORTON WATERVILLE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Orton Waterville Parish Council meeting held virtually via Zoom on Wednesday 16th September 2020 at 7.00 pm

PRESENT: Councillors J. Farnham (Chair), T. Rouse, D. Sandles, J Howell, M. Chambers, B. Warne, K. Knight, S. Dallimore, R. Proudfoot and Mrs A. Brown (Clerk).

Members: 13 Quorum: 5 Members of the public: 1 Ward Cllr: N Day
CO Allotment representative: Mr M Woodhouse

Public Question Time

Public Bodies (admissions to meetings) Act 1960 s 1 extended by the LG Act 1972 s 100.

A member of the public requested an update regarding the RP Meats matter which was raised with the Parish Council in December 2020. Agenda item 75/09-20.1.

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Apologies for absence

Apologies were received after the meeting from Cllr Goode and Cllr Dr Sridhar. No apologies were received from Cllr Fearon and Cllr Barrows.

71/09-20

Declaration of Interests and Dispensations

None.

72/09-20

Local police matters

Car crime is on the up. Residents are urged to ensure that their vehicles are locked at all times and nothing is left on show.

73/09-20

Ward Councillors

Cllr Howell reported the following:

Planning application 20/01035/PRIOR Change of use from offices (Class B1 (a)) to up to 96 two-bed apartments (Class C3) | Yorkshire Building Society Lynch Wood Peterborough PE2 6WZ. Unfortunately, the council is unable to request a FULL application in this case, so residents will have no further opportunity to submit comments after the consultation closes at the end of today.

Cllr Coles has tabled a motion on car cruises and street racing, which will be moved at the next meeting of the Full Council in October. Cllr Howell will second the motion. The motion is currently in draft form and subject to amendments. However, in summary, it calls on the council to:

1. Holding the organisers of unauthorised meets to account for any failures and the actions of attendees.
2. Providing assistance and support to private landowners to prevent and remove these events from their property.
3. Ensuring preparations are made in conjunction with the police to secure council owned land likely to be occupied by unauthorised vehicle gatherings.

A large population of rats has set up home in back gardens Orton Southgate (Balintore Rise in particular). Cllr Howell has been working with the council and the landowner (Persimmon) to address the issue.

Cllrs Day and Howell have received a large number of complaints about council-owned trees over the past two months. The main complaint is that the trees have grown too big and that shelterbelts are not being maintained. The councillors intend to work with the council and possibly table a motion in the New Year to propose that Orton's shelterbelt trees require their own maintenance schedule.

All kerbside domestic, food and garden waste collections have now resumed. Doorstep bulky waste collections will resume on 21st September.

Playgrounds have reopened. Cllrs Day and Howell are working with the council to select new play equipment for Wistow playground. Cllr Howell has visited the play area in Castor where equipment that that has been proposed is already in use.

Noise disturbances at 11 Church Drive have been reported to Cllr Howell. This noise is causing distress to neighbours. The property is being rented by Hertfordshire County Council (HCC) to place two tenants with severe learning disabilities. Peterborough City Council was unaware that this had happened but is now working with HCC to try and resolve the matter.

Earlier today, local police executed a warrant in Orton Goldhay where more than 2,000 cannabis plants were seized with a potential value of more than £1.72million. The address concerned is in Hinchcliffe.

At Cllr Howell's request, Crime Reduction Officer Amanda Large will hold a virtual surgery in October for residents of Orton Northgate and Orton Southgate with regard to the latest spate of thefts from cars. Amanda will give residents advice on how to make their property more secure.

74/09-20

Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the Orton Waterville Parish Council meeting held on 15th July 2020 were agreed and RESOLVED as a correct record of the meeting and signed by the Chair.

75/09-20

Clerk's update

1. 153/12-19 Cherry Orton Road residents' request in respect of RP Meats

The Chair and Clerk continue to have dialogue with Peterborough City Council (PCC). A meeting is planned for the near future.

2. 11/05-20 Bat box placements near village ponds

The Clerk has now purchased 6 bat boxes. Cllr Proudfoot will arrange for them to be erected by a licensed bat expert.

76/09-20

Correspondence received

1. CAPALC: Bulletins.
2. CAPALC & NALC: Coronavirus updates.
3. NALC: National Salary Award. New pay scales for Clerks and other employees with effect from 1st April 2020.
4. PCC: Highlights from the HUB and Communities updates.
5. PCC: Consultation on the Licensing Act 2003 Statement of Licensing Policy, Cumulative Impact Policy and Assessment. Consultation runs from 19 August to 14 October 2020.
6. Cross Keys Homes Newsletter.
7. PCC Community Connector: Care Network Cambridgeshire – Project Catalyst.
8. Nene Park Trust: Request for Parish Council support of new play area project.
9. Peterborough Highways Services: Oundle Road, Alwalton Highway Improvement Project update 5.
10. Local Energy Advice Partnership (LEAP): Free service to tackle fuel poverty.

77/09-20

Parking issues on Ham Lane and Cherryfields

Cllr Howell reported that she had met with Nene Park Trust (NPT) to discuss the issue as the problem is now spreading into The Rookery, Cherry Orton Road and Wistow Way. She is keen to make them understand that they have a responsibility to manage this because of their decision to charge for parking. Cllr Howell impressed upon them to communicate more with residents and has offered to help them with this and will continue to meet with them on a regular basis. NPT have a long term plan to open up a car park at Ferry Bridge and provide a shuttle service to the park. PCC are still working on the parking solutions for Cherryfields.

78/09-20

The Gannocks play area

1. The play area is now open. PCC has put up a sign which advises the public on how to stay safe whilst using the area.
 2. The Lengthsman has been asked to visit the play area on a Friday to ensure that the bin is empty for the weekend as it was overflowing the first week that the play area reopened.
 3. The wildflowers sown last year have come through in patches. Cllr Proudfoot will organise another wildflower planting session in late October and will ensure that the event is socially distanced.
- Action:** Cllr Proudfoot.
4. The meadow has had its annual cut and the grass has been taken away.
 5. The wooden rail at the entrance from The Gannocks has been broken. The Clerk and Cllr Farnham will visit the site to see if it needs to be replaced.

Action: Cllr Farnham and Clerk.

79/09-20

Parish Lengthsman

The contract has been renewed for a further 12 months as from 1st September 2020.

80/09-20

Parish Council website

The new website front page has been set up and the Clerk is in the process of uploading documents onto the website. Cllr Rouse agreed to help the Clerk with the new website build and suggested that a virtual tour of the parish filmed using a drone could be placed on the website. This was agreed as a good idea. Cllr Rouse will explore this further.

Action: Cllr Rouse and Clerk.

81/09-20

Parish Council meeting dates in the village hall

It was RESOLVED to move all Parish Council meetings to the last Tuesday of the month (except in August when no meeting is held) which will allow the Village Hall Committee to maximum their rental opportunity. The Clerk will update Standing Orders, website, noticeboards and the Oracle.

Consideration was given to moving the meetings back to the Village Hall. It was however decided, on health grounds, not to at the present time and to continue with Zoom meetings.

Action: Clerk.

82/09-20

School Street Scheme

Cllr Howell reported that Orton Wistow Primary School are not interested in the scheme however St Johns Church School, Orton Goldhay are. Cllr Farnham stated that she will ask Ormiston Bushfield Academy if they are interested in the scheme.

Action: Cllr Farnham.

83/09-20

Addressing Climate and Nature emergency

Cllr Proudfoot stated that he has not yet made any progress on the plan and has been unable to secure a speaker on the subject. Cllr Howell asked if the PC could adopt what PCC has drawn up. Cllr Proudfoot stated that his plan is more guidance. He will re-circulate the information which he originally sent out to everyone in March and will provide a further update at the next meeting.

Action: Cllr Proudfoot.

84/09-20

Mural for Wistow Way underpass

Cllr Howell reported that Diaspora Arts have been asked to paint a mural in the Ferry View/Linnet underpass as PCC are refusing to remove the graffiti that is already there. The Police and Crime Commissioner may provide funding for this project. Cllr Howell would like to involve the local community in the project and invite them to help with the painting. Everyone agreed that this was a good idea. It was also suggested that the underpass near Sevenacres could also be painted with a matching mural.

85/09-20

Cherry Orton Road and Debdale ponds

Peterborough Conservation Volunteers (PCV) has informed the Clerk that they normally carry out conservation tasks at both ponds on a regular basis in conjunction with Peterborough City Council. At present PCV have concerns with carrying out any work at the ponds due to their small restrictive size in regards to social distancing, so have no plans to continue their regular work. They will inform the Clerk when they hope to return to their regular work at these ponds.

86/09-20

Reports from outside bodies

None.

87/09-20

Bulky waste collection

Aragon Direct Services has cancelled all 2020 collections due to Covid-19 constraints. This includes the collections scheduled for Gostwick and Cherry Orton Road allotments.

88/09-20

Cemetery

No matters of concern received.

89/09-20

Allotments

1. A rotavator motor has gone missing from a shed in Gostwick. No other items have been taken and it is unclear whether this was done by someone on the site or if the site has been broken into again. The

barbed wire either side of the front gates appears to have been pulled back which has now been put back into place.

2. The security concern regarding the western boundary fence at Cherry Orton Road raised at the last meeting was discussed. Mr Woodhouse, the Allotment Representative for the site stated that the fence should be extended at both ends to provide security and safety for the allotment holders. It was **RESOLVED** that the fence be extended at either end to ensure that the site is secure. The Clerk will ask the Parish Council contractor to carry out the works.

Action: Clerk.

3. As the waste collection has been cancelled by Aragon Direct Services, it was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk will obtain 4 16-yard skips for the Gostwick and Cherry Orton sites for tenants to make use of and dispose of their allotment waste at a cost of £291.00 + VAT per skip. These will be ordered for Friday 2nd October 2020.

Action: Clerk.

90/09-20

Finance & Administration

1. The following items of expenditure were approved:

Ark Wildlife	Bat boxes x 6	£215.70
Peterborough Pest Control	12 months rodent control at CO allotments	£495.00
Wave	Water charges – CO allotments	£52.77
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Wave	Water charges – Gostwick allotments	£142.81
Peterborough Limited	Lengthsman service August 2020	£2290.55
Came & Company	Parish Council insurance	£2169.84
Zoom remote meeting platform	Monthly upgrade August 2020	£14.39
Netwise	New website set up	£899.00
Rialtas	Alpha Annual Software support	£148.80
Gattonero	Website security monitoring August 2020	£10.00
CAPALC	Planning Webinars x 3 Clerk & Chair	£180.00
R Harding & Son Landscaping	Cemetery and general landscape maintenance works August 2020	£936.00
Mrs A Brown	Clerk's salary (August 2020)	£1199.10
Cambridgeshire County Council	Superannuation (August 2020) employer/employee contributions	£369.50
HM Revenue & Customs	Tax and NI (August 2020)	£242.96
Peterborough Limited	Lengthsman service September 2020	£2314.92
Gattonero	Website security monitoring September 2020	£10.00
Badgemaster Ltd	Councillor ID badges and lanyards/holders	£59.32
Vibrantcolour	A5 leaflets additional black bin collection	£30.00
R Harding & Son Landscaping	Cemetery and general landscape maintenance works September 2020	£1156.50
Zoom remote meeting platform	Monthly upgrade September 2020	£14.39
Mrs A Brown	Clerk's salary (Sept 2020)	£1344.16
Mrs A Brown	Clerk's expenses and reimbursements (Aug/Sept 2020)	£53.10
Cambridgeshire County Council	Superannuation (Sept 2020) employer/employee contributions	£429.32
HM Revenue & Customs	Tax and NI (Sept 2020)	£347.58
Wave	Water charges – Cemetery	£28.71

2. Income received

PCC – 2nd Instalment of Parish Council precept	£24,164.00
PCC – 2 nd Instalment for Parish Recreation grounds	£1470.00
PCC – 2nd Instalment for Parish Burial grounds	£1129.50
Allotment rents	£1992.50
Burial fees	£1430.00
OW Village Hall – grass cutting	£50.00
Orton Longueville Parish Council – Contribution to Zoom subscription	£5.99
HSBC – bank interest	£0.49

3. It was **RESOLVED** to approve the end of month accounts and bank reconciliation.

4. The Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) report for year-end 31st March 2020 was noted. A copy of the report has been submitted to PCC and been placed on the website.

5. Conclusion of Audit for year-end 31st March 2020 – item deferred to next meeting.

91/09-20

Planning matters

1. It was RESOLVED to submit comments where appropriate on applications as below:

20/01179/CTR	Proposal: Reduce Cherry tree in rear garden to previous points (2-3m) to help maintain tree at 28 Cherry Orton Road, Orton Waterville, Peterborough PE2 5EQ	No material observations
20/01018/HHFUL	Proposed 2 storey rear extension at 14 Kilbride Way, Orton Northgate, Peterborough PE2 6SX	No material observations
20/01138/CTR	Proposal: Fell Poplar (T1) at 2 Debdale, Orton Waterville, Peterborough PE2 5HS	No material observations
20/01186/CTR	Proposal: Fell 2 x conifers on either side of Purple Leaf Plum as it's affecting tree life, the removal of the two conifers will enable the laying of turf and plants in an area currently covered in barren at 3 New Road, Orton Waterville, Peterborough PE2 5EJ	No material observations

2. No other planning matters.

92/09-20

Maintenance matters

1. Large horse chestnut tree on Lady Lodge Drive appears to be diseased. Cllr Proudfoot stated that this may have been caused by the Leaf Mining Moth. The Clerk will report this to PCC.

Action: Clerk.

2. Wistow Way/Brackenwood – oak tree branches keep dropping off and coming down in residents' gardens. Cllr Howell is talking to PCC about this issue.

Action: Cllr Howell.

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Future agenda items and announcements

None.

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Date of next meeting

Tuesday 27th October 2020.