

ORTON WATERVILLE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Orton Waterville Parish Council meeting held virtually via Zoom on Tuesday 27th April 2021 at 7.15 pm.

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

Members: 13 Quorum: 5 Members of the public: 4

Public Question Time

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

Questions were taken from members of the public. This is not part of the formal meeting of the Council and only the subject matter raised has been noted below:

A local resident raised a concern that the 'village green' on Cherry Orto Road is being used as a car park. Cllr Howell stated that she would look into the matter as a Ward Councillor.

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Apologies for absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs Barrows and Proudfoot. No apologies were received from Cllr Dr. Sridhar.

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Declaration of Interests and Dispensations

None.

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Local police matters

A new inspector position has been created for the Southern area of Peterborough. His name is Inspector Oliver Warsop and he can be contacted at Oliver.Warsop@cambs.pnn.police.uk

The Southern area also has a new police sergeant: PS Sam Tucker sam.tucker@cambs.pnn.police.uk

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Ward Councillors

Cllr Howell gave the following report:

Planning application 20/00846/HHFUL 21 Cherryfields

Cllr Nicola Day spoke in support of the residents at the Planning Committee meeting. The application has been refused.

Whitewater

Micro asphalt surfacing has been carried out by Peterborough City Council which is unsatisfactory. The road will be resurfaced again in June.

East of England Way

Residents are unhappy with the new Traffic Order. Yellow lines have been put in on street corners and it is feared that this will cause more anti-social parking.

Orton Northgate adoption

Barrett Homes intention is for the maintenance of sewers to be taken over by Anglian Water. The roads will then be surfaced and adoption of the estate by Peterborough City Council should take place later this year.

Local elections 6th May 2021

Due to strict Covid-19 restrictions, the election count will be held over 2 days as fewer people will be in attendance. Verification of votes will take place on Thursday, the count and results announcement on Friday. The count for the Mayor will take place on Saturday and the count for the Police and Crime Commissioner on Sunday.

- 232/04-21 Minutes of previous meeting**
The minutes of the Orton Waterville Parish Council meeting held on 30th March 2021 were agreed and RESOLVED as a correct record of the meeting and signed by the Chair.
- 233/04-21 Clerk's update**
Another update meeting with Peterborough City Council and resident representatives has taken place. Talks are still continuing to resolve issues raised by residents
- 234/04-21 Correspondence received**
 1. CAPALC: Bulletins.
 2. CAPALC & NALC: Coronavirus updates.
 3. Peterborough City Council: Highlights from the HUB and Communities updates.
 4. CAPALC: Online event – Planning and Power.
 5. CAPALC: New Internal Audit and End of Year Audit and Services.
 6. Peterborough City Council: Local List Project – List of Heritage Assets in Peterborough.
 7. Peterborough City Council Scrutiny Committee: Parish Councillor Co-opted member vacancies.
 8. Arthritis Action: Free online arthritis event 12th and 19th May at 11.00 am.
- 235/04-21 The Gannocks play area**
No further anti-social behaviour in the field has been reported since the last meeting.
- It was reported to the meeting that a resident walking their dog on the field, had been approached by members of the public not local to the area and were asked questions about their dog. It was agreed that the resident should inform the police of this incident as dog thefts are on the increase.
- It was agreed that this agenda item will now be called 'The Gannocks' to widen the agenda item.
- 236/04-21 Parish Lengthsman**
None.
- 237/04-21 Bulb planting on grass bunds within the parish**
Prior to the meeting, Cllr Knight circulated photographs of areas in the parish which have been planted with a variety of bulbs. Cllr Howell stated that residents are keen for the bunds to be planted up. The Clerk provided costs of bulbs which Richard Harding is able to purchase: daffodil/tulip mixes, £27.50 + vat per kilo; crocus/aconite/snowdrops/bluebell mixes - £90.00 for 1000 bulbs excluding planting costs. It was agreed to continue looking at the best type of bulbs to plant as they are normally planted in the autumn and that Richard Harding will be asked to purchase and plant them.
- 238/04-21 Parish Councillor emails**
New Emails for councillors have been set up and details will be sent to everyone.
- 239/04-21 Addressing Climate and Nature emergency**
Prior to the meeting, Cllr Barrows circulated a Climate Change Challenge document which he had drafted and asked for councillors comments before it is put up on the website. As Cllr Barrows was absent from the meeting, it was agreed that the document is discussed further at the next meeting.
- 240/04-21 Bulky waste collections at the Orton Centre**
It was agreed to book a collection for Saturday 29th May 2021, 10.00 am – 1.00 pm if the date is still available. The collection will be one hour longer as there may be more waste at the first collection of the year. Cllr Howell stated that she is able to find volunteers to help man the longer session. It was suggested that notices on poles could be used to remind people to keep socially distanced whilst attending the site. It was agreed that the Clerk will purchase 6 Hi Viz jackets for those helping on the day. The collection will take place as usual in the small car park at the back of the Orton Centre.
Action: Clerk.
- 241/04-21 Up the Garden Bath request for disused bowling green project**
A request from Up the Garden Bath for the Parish Council to consider taking over the lease from Peterborough City Council (PCC), of the disused Bowling Green and then sub-lease it to them for use as a community garden was discussed. This is the preferred option by PCC. Dave Poulton has already spoken with James Collingridge at PCC about this project. A legal document would need to be drawn up to protect the Parish Council against any liabilities etc.

The Bowls Club has already informed the Clerk that they have received a presentation from Up the Garden Bath about their plans and as long as the security of their area could be maintained then they would not stand in their way. Up the Garden Bath will be approaching PCC to request that an adequate security fence is erected from the corner where their green storage shed resides to the opposite side of the green. This would make about 2/3rd of the old green available to them and still leave the club with about 1/3rd which could be utilised for their social activities. If PCC agree to this request then the Bowls Club will ask for a separate access gate next to that used by the groundsmen.

It was agreed that the Clerk will contact Up the Garden Bath and ask if PCC has agreed to their request to erect a security fence and report back.

Action: Clerk.

242/04-21 Bird boxes for deployment within the parish

A request by Cllr Proudfoot to erect bird boxes around the parish was discussed. He recently picked up a number of bird boxes for deployment in Werrington and asked if the Parish Council wanted to do the same. The bird boxes are made in a workshop for people with disabilities and buying bird boxes is a good way to support them. He will be collecting some more bird boxes in the autumn and is happy to pick them up for the Parish Council as well. The boxes cost between £14.00 and £22.00. As Cllr Proudfoot was absent from the meeting, it was agreed the Clerk will ask him to suggest locations for the bird boxes and whether he is able to arrange for them to be put up. This will be discussed further at the next meeting.

Action: Clerk.

243/04-21 Speed alert sign for parish roads

A local resident has asked if the Parish Council would consider purchasing speed alert signs for use within the parish, in particular Church Drive, Cherry Orton Road and Lady Lodge Drive. They have seen them in use in Whittlesey which belong to their Parish Council and they are moved every few months to different locations. Cllr Howell stated that the Police do not agree with these signs as they make no difference and cost a lot of money - Speedwatch would be more effective however this has not been running due to Covid-19 restrictions.

Now that restrictions are easing it was agreed to try and get Speedwatch up and running again however the purchase of equipment needs to be explored again. Cllr Howell will obtain the costs again and the Clerk will ask Orton Longueville Parish Council if they are still interested in sharing the cost of the equipment.

Action: Cllr Howell and Clerk.

244/04-21 Reports from outside bodies

None.

245/04-21 Allotments

None.

246/04-21 Cemetery

The new boundary fence has been erected. The Clerk confirmed that the resident with the loose fence has been written to, however as no response has been received it was agreed that the Parish Council contractor will secure the loose fence panel and plant hedgerow in front of it to match the rest of the hedgerow.

247/04-21 Finance & Administration

1. The following items of expenditure were approved:

Peterborough Limited	Lengthsman service April 2021	£2314.92
Orton Counselling Service for Young People	Grant S137 LGA 1972	£1500.00
Up the Garden Bath	Grant S137 LGA 1972	£200.00
Rialtas Business Solutions	Cemeteries Software Annual Support	£231.60
CAPALC	Affiliation fee/Data Protection Scheme 2021/22	£1285.90
Cartridgesave	Black/colour printer toners	£94.61
R Harding & Son Landscaping	Cemetery/general landscape maintenance works April 2021	£1581.50
R Harding & Son Landscaping	New wooden fencing at cemetery	£2675.00
Zoom remote meeting platform	Monthly upgrade April 2021	£14.39
Mrs A Brown	Clerk's salary (April 2021)	£1225.35

Mrs A Brown	Clerk's expenses and reimbursements (April 2021)	£31.00
Cambridgeshire County Council	Superannuation (Apr 2021) employer/employee contributions	£379.47
HM Revenue & Customs	Tax and NI (April 2021)	£257.35
Wave	Water charges – Gostwick allotments	£134.35

2. Income received

PCC – 1st Instalment of Parish Council precept	£24269.25
PCC – 1st Instalment for Parish Recreation grounds	£1470.00
PCC – 1st Instalment for Parish Burial grounds	£1557.75
Cemetery fees	£1940.00
Orton Longueville PC Zoom contribution	£11.98
HSBC Bank interest	£0.49

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

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Planning matters

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

20/01712/HHFUL	Re-consultation: Single storey and part two storey rear extension at 556 Oundle Road, Orton Waterville, Peterborough PE2 5UX	No material observations
21/00341/HHFUL	Single storey side extension and provision of dropped kerb at 16 Aboyne Avenue, Orton Waterville, Peterborough PE2 5ET	No material observations
21/00360/FUL	Installation of two storage containers to allow for additional storage capacity at 12 Holkham Road, Orton Southgate, Peterborough PE2 6TE	No material observations
21/00400/OUT	Proposal: Outline application for the erection of a clubhouse, with matters of access, appearance, layout and scale secured, and landscaping reserved at Bushfield Sports Centre, Bushfield, Orton Goldhay, Peterborough PE2 5RQ	No material observations
21/00531/CTR	Removal of dying conifer trees and replanting of the same or similar at 4 The Conifers, Orton Waterville, Peterborough PE2 5WL	No material observations
21/00424/HHFUL	Two storey front, side and rear extension with detached garage at 1A Chapel Lane, Orton Waterville, Peterborough PE2 5EG	No material observations
21/00538/HHFUL	Two storey side extension at 20 Glebe Avenue, Orton Waterville, Peterborough PE2 5EN	No material observations

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Maintenance

1. Cherry Orton Road – a pile of rubbish seems to have been dumped near to where the wall which had previously collapsed. Cllr Howell stated that she will speak to PCC about it.

2. City Fibre – contractors carrying out the works for City Fibre have left mud all over the pavements near Matley. Any concerns regarding contractors should be reported directly to City Fibre on 0800 0836160.

3. Anti-social behaviour caused by youths on scooters has been seen near the Orton Centre. The youths wear black balaclavas and have no number plates on the scooters. The police are aware of whom the youths are and if spotted in the area, the police should be informed.

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Future agenda items and announcements

The next meeting will be back in the Village Hall, Glebe Avenue, Orton Waterville. Covid-19 restrictions will be in place.

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Date of next meeting – Wednesday 26th May 2021.

The meeting closed at 8.24 pm.