

South Croxton Parish Council

Minutes of the Virtual Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 5th October 2020 at 6.00 pm

Councillors present: Cllr JoAnn Charles, Cllr Dave Morris (Chairman), Cllr Paul Gant, Borough Cllr Daniel Grimley

In attendance: Clerk – Mr SC Johnson

SC 73 20 Welcome

Cllr Morris opened the meeting and welcomed all present.

SC 74 20 Apologies for Absence:

Cllr Steve Goodger (No zoom facility)

Cllr E Norton (Email)

SC 75 20 Disclosure of Interests and Dispensation by Councillors for this meeting

No interests or dispensations were declared at the start of or during the meeting.

SC 76 20 Approve by resolution Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 7th September 2020

The minutes, circulated before this meeting, were approved by resolution - proposed Cllr Charles, seconded by Cllr Morris, no objections. Clerk to add the minutes to the website and file the copy.

SC 77 20 Borough Councillor Report

Borough Councillors written report was added to the website prior to the meeting and is attached to these minutes. Cllr Grimley highlighted important issues including the Planning White Paper, Charnwood Member Grants, and the possible cancellation of the A46 expressway. Cllr also mentioned the rise in Covid cases in Charnwood and the need for those with symptoms to get tested. A copy of the report is attached to these minutes. The need for white lining on the re-surfaced section of the Queniborough to Twyford road prior to the Barsby cross roads was raised by a Councillor as being urgent. Cllr Grimley will talk to County Council about action to resolve.

SC 78 20 Police Report

The report was added to the website prior to the meeting and follows:

- we have had no reports of crime in the last month for South Croxton. If you require any other information or have any other enquiries please feel free to email me any time and I will see what I can do to help. Also with regards to your request to for information and contacts for the local police unit. I will speak with the rest of the beat team and put together a contact sheet for you and send it across in the next few days.

- I can confirm that the speed check results we had on the 23rd of July 2020 between the times of 11:20 and 11:50 AM on Main street, South Croxton are a total of 18 vehicles passing through the location. 17 of these vehicles were doing 30MPH or less and 1 vehicle doing between 30MPH and 35MPH. Also in relation to the night time activity taking place on Ridgemere Road we have only had one report in the last 60 days. I will speak with the rest of the beat team and look to add it to our list of places to patrol in the evenings and update you in the next parish council report with any information or issues we find down there.

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SC 79 20 Matters Arising from minutes of meeting held on 7th September 2020

- SC 59b 20 Funding application for Covid – 19 measures has been submitted.
- SC 61 20 Clerk is still trying to establish results of speed tests carried out by PCSO on 21st and 24th July 2020 (From Matters arising from meeting on 20th July)
- SC 67 20 Blocked Drains – Reported again this month on LCC Website – no response detailing action.
- SC 63 20 Finance – Agenda for meeting on 7th September showed the estimated Current Account Balance to year end as £5594.55. The figure should have been £6345.45. Due to Clerks error using calculator.
- SC 66 20 Parish Council Grants now open for application, policy and forms are displayed and available on the website and displayed on the Notice Board. Councillors requested to publicise.
- SC 70 20 Night time activity on Ridgemere Road – police asked for comment.
- Other items The activity involving ground works at Three Turns Lane has been explained by Planning as action involved in building works which does not require planning permission – the grounds will be restored on completion of the work.
The issue of poor/non-existent white lining on Queniborough Road was raised by a Councillor. The road has been resurfaced between Queniborough and the Barsby cross roads and without the lines makes driving at night difficult.

SC 80 20 Planning Update

Planning Application P/20/0904/2 – former 39 School Lane – Discharge of Conditions 3 and 6 detailed in P/18/1599/2 - status of this application on the CBC website is now showing 'Conditions Discharged' on 29/09/20.

No further applications have been registered at the time of writing this report.

No response has been received from Planning regarding the latest action concerning the Travellers site. Cllrs requested that the clerk provide a historical view of outstanding matters concerning the current position.

SC 81 20 Financial Matters

Copies of latest Bank Statements had been distributed to Cllrs and were confirmed as aligning with the following statement:

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FINANCIAL POSITION STATEMENT FOR MEETING ON 5TH OCTOBER 2020 (UPDATED)

CURRENT ACCOUNT BALANCE @5 TH OCTOBER 2020	7331.35	7331.35
LESS UNCLRD CHCHQS SEPTEMBER	480.91	480.91
	6850.44	6850.44
CHEQUES TO BE PAID OCTOBER	347.05	427.05
	6503.39	6423.39
BALANCE OF RESERVE ACCOUNT	7921.92	7921.92

The Revised Layout of the Accounts for the 5TH October meeting is attached to these minutes.

Cheques approved and signed at this meeting:

E Wilkinson (Grass Cutting 09/09)	£	80.00
Clerks Wages (Sept 2020)	£	133.97
HMRC (Sept July 2020)	£	33.60
LRALC (Website Training)	£	20.00
Payroll	£	54.00
Clerks Expenses	£	25.48
E Wilkinson (Grass Cutting 30/09)	£	80.00
TOTAL	£	427.05

SC 81 20 Play a Part Project – Update

In the current circumstances it was considered that the landscaping should be carried out first. A further meeting has been arranged with Charnborough to discuss financial arrangements. The Clerk was requested to update the Development Fund status for the next meeting. Clerk also requested to inform suppliers who were unsuccessful in bidding for the project.

SC 82 20 Clerks pay award

The wages increase will be organised by the Payroll company, TP Jones & Co LLP, who have confirmed the amount based on the Clerks current SCP 22 rate.

SC 83 20 Parish Council Grants

The meeting was informed that the Village Hall would not be submitting application for a grant this year.

SC 83 20 Drains Update

A response was received from Highways on 5th October confirming that the blocked gully on South Croxton Road is now classified as Resolution Programmed under FS154838825.

SC 84 20 Brook

The water flow in the Brook is seen to be faster in the narrow parts of the Brook but slower in wider section and where reeds are growing. The same highways response as in SC 83 20 is that the earlier requests for action regarding the ordinary water course has been passed to and Officer for response under FS154840165,

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SC 85 20 Correspondence Received

Emails have been circulated to Councillors for relevant issues, and updates and guidance from LRALC has also been passed on to Councillors.

SC 86 20 Opportunity for Members of the public to speak

No members of the public were in attendance at the meeting.

SC 87 20 Items for inclusion in future agenda

Drains – Update

Brook – Update

Play a Part – update

SC 88 20 Date of Next Meeting

2nd November 2020 at 6pm

Meeting closed at 6.45 pm

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Notes From the Borough Council. Councillor Daniel Grimley, Queniborough Ward I hope everybody is safe and well. Planning White Paper The government have launched a consultation on changes to the planning system. The changes include: • an update to the standard method for assessing local housing need; • securing a minimum of 25% of all affordable homes as First Homes, sold at a discount to market price for first time buyers; • temporarily increasing the small sites threshold, below which developers do not need to contribute to affordable housing, to 40 or 50 units; and • extending the current Permission in Principle to major development. The government’s consultation can be found here for reference: <https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/changes-to-the-current-planning-system> The deadline for responses is 29th October. A link to the planning white paper is here:

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/907647/MHCLG-PlanningConsultation.pdf

Charnwood Member Grants Scheme The members grant scheme for 2020/21 opened on April 1, 2020. However, it was been agreed that throughout the borough half the budget was to be used as directed by officers to help community groups during the current coronavirus restrictions. £500 remains for 2000/2021 for Queniborough Ward for local groups to bid for. A46 Expressway (Unconfirmed Report) The new Leicester A46 Expressway bypass would have run from the Hobby Horse roundabout at Syston in an arc around the city before crossing the M1 and joining the M69 near Hinckley. But LeicestershireLive revealed last week that the road, which aimed to cut congestion at 'pinch points' on the county's road network, was to be dropped from the Midland's long term transport plans after officials reached the conclusion it would cost too much - and wouldn't solve the traffic problems as well as they'd hoped. The decision not to seek Government funding for the major national piece of transport infrastructure has been described as the 'kiss of death' for the scheme. Instead, focus is now being placed on plans to upgrade junctions at either end of the A46 Western bypass at the M1 and the Hobby Horse roundabout at Syston, which would not set the taxpayer back as much as the new expressway. I am currently seeking formal confirmation on this report. Covid-19 cases rise in Charnwood – ‘we all need to act’ There remains a rising trend in the number of positive Covid-19 cases across Leicestershire, including in Charnwood, says the county council. In parts of Charnwood, the borough council has this week been delivering thousands of leaflets to people’s homes and businesses. GP surgeries have been contacted to highlight the need for people with symptoms to get a test. In

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contrast, cases in north-west Leicestershire and Melton continue to be on the decline while the position in Harborough appears to be stabilising. The county council has identified around 20 'hot-spot' areas of the county where there have been more than seven cases in the past fortnight. These include parts of Oadby, Wigston, Loughborough and Braunstone Town. Businesses across Leicestershire are also being urged to create an NHS QR code poster to make it easier for their customers to check-in to the national 'test and trace' system. Find out more: www.gov.uk/create-coronavirus-qr-poster You can follow me on Twitter @dangrimley, email cllr.daniel.grimley@charnwood.gov.uk, facebook: Cllr Daniel Grimley or tel. 01162600899. Post c/o Member Services, Charnwood Borough Council, Southfields, Loughborough, Leicester, LE11 2TX. Once current restrictions are lifted I will resume face to face contact. Cllr. Daniel Grimley Charnwood Borough Councillor for Queniborough Ward (including Barkby, Barkby Thorpe, Beeby, Hamilton Lea, Queniborough, South Croxton and part of Thurmaston)

REVISED LAYOUT OF ACCOUNTS FOR 5th October meeting

CATEGORIES	PRECEPT/INCOME	SPEND TO DATE
PAYROLL SERVICE	216.00	54.00
OFFICE EXPENSES	350.00	143.51
SOLR FEES	650.00	0.00
WEBSITE	372.00	372.00
CLERKS SALARY	1787.00	670.45
INSURANCE	331.00	333.58
PLAYING FIELD INSP/MAINT	350.00	53.34
PLAYING FIELD MOW/STRIM	1200.00	560.00
SUBSCRIPTIONS	250.00	247.19
STREET LIGHTING	868.00	519.14
VH RENT	550.00	0.00
CCF	2615.00	0.00
AUDIT FEES	170.00	0.00
HMRC	447.00	167.40
TRAINING BUDGET	150.00	0.00
RESERVE A/C	500.00	500.00
DEV A/C	945.00	945.00
TOTALS	11751.00	4565.61
NOTICE BOARD	0.00	2940.00
BALANCE YR END 2019/2020	4065.14	0.00
RECEIPTS 2020/2021	1384.32	0.00
TOTAL	17200.46	7505.61

NOTES

TRXFER FROM RESERVE 1495.00
 VAT CLAIM 1384.32 inc up to 30th June 2020
 NOTICE BOARD FUNDED FROM RESERVE ACCOUNT 2940.00

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ESTIMATE SPEND TO YR END	TOTAL YR END	OVER/UNDER SPEND	
162.00	216.00	0.00	
206.49	350.00	0.00	
650.00	650.00	0.00	
0.00	372.00	0.00	
1250.72	1787.00	0.00	
0.00	333.58	2.58	
350.00	350.00	0.00	
800.00	1200.00	0.00	
102.81	250.00	0.00	
348.86	868.00	0.00	
550.00	550.00	0.00	
2615.00	2615.00	0.00	
170.00	170.00	0.00	
313.00	447.00	0.00	
150.00	150.00	0.00	
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