

**BISHOPSTONE PARISH COUNCIL  
MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL  
Held in the Village Hall, Bishopstone  
Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2020 at 7.45pm.**

**MINUTES**

**Present** : Parish Councillors : J Gibbon (JG) Chairman  
A Thorne (AJT) Vice Chairman  
N Barter (NTB)  
G Brutton (GRB)  
Mrs A Smith (AS)  
P Edwards (PE)  
Mrs M Tatner (MT)

Parish Clerk: M R Ash (MRA)

**Also present:** Wiltshire Cllr Jose Green  
Mr R Stockton  
Mrs J Stocker  
Mr A Stocker  
Ms H Stocker  
Mr J Thompson  
Mr N Legh  
Mrs P Abbott  
Mr R Abbott  
Mrs S Seal  
Mr A Stutchbury  
Mrs A Stutchbury  
Mr F Taylor  
Mrs S Taylor  
Mrs M Barter  
Ms S Porter  
Mrs C Ash

**1. Apologies for Absence**

There were none.

**2. Declarations of interest**

There were none.

**3. Approval of Minutes of the meetings on 9<sup>th</sup> January 2020.**

NTB proposed that the minutes of the meeting on 9<sup>th</sup> January 2020 be approved as a correct record, this was seconded by PE and agreed.

**4. Matters Arising from the Minutes, including Action Plan.**

Matters Arising, not otherwise included on the agenda, were as follows:

- (i) MRA reported that the new snow and ice grit bin was now in place at the entrance to the resident's car park in Whitlock Rise. He was very grateful to Jerry Steedman for providing an initial supply of grit.
- (ii) Wessex Contract Supplies had submitted quotations for boarding up and securing the toilet building on the Recreation Field. Using marine ply would cost £460.50 and sheet steel, primed and painted, would cost £438.50. AJT proposed that the quotation to use sheet steel be accepted, this was seconded by PE and agreed.

#### **5. Report from Wiltshire Councillor Jose Green**

CLlr Green gave a short report. In this she referred to Wiltshire Council's commitment to become carbon neutral by 2030. In connection with this, scrutiny panels were looking at the scope for amending planning and building control regulations, the use of electric buses, sustainable energy provision to council owned buildings, street lighting and the use of more efficient vehicles for rubbish and re-cycling collections. A Salisbury Transformation Programme is being prepared. A total of 11,000 potholes had been filled in the last year and the number of claims for damage to cars had reduced.

#### **6. Public Forum.**

Concerns were raised about Government infrastructure planning and the pot holes at the bottom of Flamstone Street. MRA said that the latter had been reported to Wiltshire Council.

#### **7. Chairman's Items**

No matters were raised.

#### **8. Emergency Planning Update**

Roger Stockton reported on flooding in the village. The Environment Agency had issued an "Alert" in relation to flooding from groundwater. However, thankfully, there were few signs of springs emerging this year. Meetings were being held with the Environment Agency and the Cranborne Chase AONB to discuss use of the Lottery Grant received by the AONB and possible projects related to flooding and the River Ebble.

In relation to the Coronavirus pandemic, it was pointed out that the Bishopstone Emergency Plan has a section on dealing with pandemics, the first action being the establishment of an Emergency Committee to draw up arrangements for local action. It was agreed to begin this process.

#### **9. Parish Clerk's Report**

##### **(i) Expenditure Items**

MRA reported that a sum of £1310.26 had been successfully reclaimed from HMRC in respect of VAT paid in 2017/18, though some of this would need to be shared with Broad Chalke and

Bowerchalke Parish Councils as it related to the joint purchase of the Speed Indicator Device. He also presented two items of expenditure for approval: £189.06 for the new grit bin in Whitlock Rise and £120.00 as the annual hire costs for the Village Hall. AJT proposed that these items of expenditure be approved, this was seconded by NTB and agreed.

(ii) Green Spaces Survey

MRA said that Wiltshire Council were conducting a survey of green spaces in each parish area, how they were used and on the demand for more such facilities. He said he would prepare a draft response and circulate it to Councillors for approval.

(iii) Litter Pick

Proposals for a litter pick as part of the Great British Spring Clean had been proposed in the latest edition of STaB. Only three volunteers had come forward. Without further interest this would not take place.

**10. Planning Matters**

Consideration was given to proposals for the extension of Oak House in Harvest Lane. It was agreed to send a “no comments” return to Wiltshire Council.

**11. Questions or statements from Councillors.**

There were none.

**Date, location and time of next meeting.**

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be in the Village Hall on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2020 at 7.30pm\*. This will be the Annual Meeting of the Council with elections to the position of Chairman and Vice Chairman.

The meeting closed at 8.45pm.

**[\*Post Meeting Note: this date may change depending on the Government’s advice on the holding of meetings during the Coronavirus pandemic. Please see future editions of STaB, the village website and notice boards for an announcement.]**

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Signed as an accurate record:

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Chairman

Date

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**ACTION PLAN**

<b>WHAT ACTION</b>	<b>BY WHOM</b>	<b>COMPLETED</b>
Quotes to be obtained for securing derelict toilets on Recreation Field.	MRA	✓ ✓
Options for pedestrian gates for footpaths to replace stiles to be investigated.	MRA	
Campaign to promote greater volunteering in the village.	PE	
Proposals for use of s106 reserves to be brought forward.	MRA	
Emergency Plan arrangements for the establishment of an Emergency Committee to be activated.	JG/MRA/RS	
Draft response to Green Spaces Survey to be circulated.	MRA	