

Quinton Parish Council

Ordinary Parish Council Meeting

Tuesday 25th January 2022

Quinton Village Hall 7.30 pm

Present: Cllr Robert Spooner (Chairman)

Cllr Andy Smith

Cllr Paul Milliken

Cllr Chris Watson

Cllr Kathy Clarke

Cllr Abbie Taylor

Cllr Edward Fitter

Mrs M Norman (Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer)

Also present: Cllr Izzi Seccombe

1	Apologies: There were no apologies for absence.
2	Declaration of interests. Cllr Spooner asked the Council to note that he was now a trustee of The Pavilion Charitable Trust.
3	Minutes of the previous meeting: The minutes of the meeting on the 30 th November 2021 were agreed as an accurate record and were signed by the Chairman.
4	Questions from the public: There were no questions from the public.
5	Councillor resignation: Stratford District Council had informed the clerk that there had been no calls for an election following the resignation of Cllr Gibb so the Council was now free to co-opt.
6	Neighbourhood Plan: Cllr Milliken said that the Regulation 16 consultation period had now begun. This would run from the 27 th January to the 11 th March 2021 and comments would be invited from the public. Hard copies of the Plan have been left in the church porch and the coffee shop on Meon Vale. It has also been placed online and notification will be made via Facebook. After the 11 th March the external examiner will begin the process of examining the Plan. Cllr Milliken anticipated the most contentious part of the Plan would be the identification of reserve sites. It was possible that some revisions would be necessary.

7	<p>Playground repairs: It was agreed a) to authorise Cllr Watson to purchase the service kits for essential repairs to playground equipment on the Fordway. These would cost £216 each but were not yet in stock. It was further agreed that b) Cllr Watson should have the authority to order replacement parts for any equipment as necessary.</p>
8	<p>Precept: After discussion, it was resolved to request the sum of £31,234 as precept from Stratford District Council.</p>
9	<p>20s plenty campaign: After discussion, the Council resolved a) not to support the campaign to reduce the speed limit in residential areas in Warwickshire to 20 mph. The Council also resolved b) not to request Warwickshire County Council to implement a 20 mph speed limit in Quinton. Instead, it was resolved to investigate the possibility of implementing a 20 mph limit outside Quinton Primary School. Officers from Warwickshire County Council would be invited to inspect the site with the Chairman.</p>
10	<p>Any matters from the Chairman: The Chairman expressed his thanks to Cllr Watson for repairing the fencing at the northern end of the new path. The path itself had some cracks in it and the Chairman has asked Cllr Seccombe on an update on formal acceptance of the path. There are also cracks apparent in the road surface of Tailor's Lane. The Chairman is waiting for a definite quote from Warwickshire County Council for signage on the road junctions in the village. Provided this comes within the Parish Council's agreed budget, the County Council can be asked to start work immediately. The Chairman also expressed his concern at WCC's inadequate supervision of various road works in the vicinity. These include the Tailor's Lane roundabout, the tactile kerb beside Corbett House and the roadworks outside the garden centre. The Pavilion project at Meon Vale should shortly be transferred to the Charity. The bank account is expected to be active at the end of January. The Christmas tree on the village green had a suitably agricultural appearance and was beautifully decorated by children from Quinton School. The speed ramps in Meon Vale are very successful in reducing speed but generate a huge amount of noise and vibration, particularly when driven over by heavy goods vehicles. St. Modwen's are aware of the problem and are attempting to resolve it. The Chairman hoped that there would be good integration between the houses recently built across the county boundary and the communities of Quinton and Marston Sicca. He also wanted to ensure that those living in the new housing on the airfield felt part of the community.</p>
11	<p>District and County Councillors' reports: Cllr Fitter said that the merger request from Stratford and Warwick District Councils had now been sent to Secretary of State Michael Gove, for approval. The proposed merger had received cross party support in both Councils. Cllr Fitter also said that Stratford District Council was proposing to increase the green bin charges by £2.00. Council tax would also rise by £5.00. Cllr Seccombe said that there was an ongoing dispute between the developer and Warwickshire County Council over the tactile crossing beside Corbett House which had not been built to the Council's satisfaction.</p>

	<p>A meeting had taken place with Persimmon Homes regarding the adoption of Meon Vale. Various works needed to be done before this could take place. The Highways Dept will take on the responsibility of maintaining the new footpath from Meon Vale. Maintenance work would be confined to the surface of the path itself.</p>	
12	<p>Delays B4632 corridor: The Chairman asked if either the District or County Councillors could explain the reason for the delays to the Highways improvements promised for the B4632 corridor. Cllr Seccombe said that unforeseen circumstances had arisen.</p>	
13	<p>Councillor updates: Cllr Clarke said that she had been attempting to get in touch with Bromfords regarding the drainage issues along the Goose Lane site but they are refusing to respond to her calls. The only information she has been given is that Bromford say that WCC is responsible. Cllr Clarke is also working on a landowning map of Upper Quinton, which is nearly complete. Cllr Taylor said that she had been given four different quotes for the installation of a skate park. She will be having meetings with a representative from one of the companies in March who will advise on the feasibility of the various options. He may also be able to advise about grant funding. The cost would be between £85,000 and £150,000. Cllr Milliken said that grant funding would vary according to the scale of the project. He would have a clearer idea after the March meeting.</p>	
14	<p>Opus energy: The Chairman said he would like to explore the possibility of installing a mini wind turbine on the corner of the playing field. Opus Energy were offering reductions to interested organisations. Cllr Fitter was asked to investigate.</p>	
15	<p>Planning applications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) 21/03864/FUL 14 The Firs: proposed single storey extension to rear. It was resolved to make no objection to this application. ii) 21/0379/FUL Manor Cottage: installation of solar panels. No representation was made to this application. iii) APP/J3720/W/21/328504 appeal against Stratford District Council's refusal of planning application 21/00983/FUL for two proposed dwellings. No comments were made on this appeal. iv) 21/03420/FUL 1 Manor Barn, Upper Quinton: 2 storey outbuilding with combined garage/workshop and annex accommodation within. The building will be singularly incidental to the enjoyment of the primary residence with the annex for an extended family member and not constructed for future sale as a separate dwelling. It was resolved to object to this application. v) 21/03832/FUL 13 Magdalen Close: proposed erection of porch. No representation was made to this application. <p>The results of the following planning application were noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) 21/03107/FUL 8 Dobbie Road, Upper Quinton: permission granted for removal of existing detached garage to erect a single and two storey extension to the front, side and rear of the property together with a pergola and a replacement porch. 	

16 **To receive receipts and payments records for the quarter:**
The Council received the receipts and payments records previously circulated and agreed them as an accurate record. The Chairman signed the supporting documentation.

17 **To receive any correspondence:**
Notification had been received from Clifford Chambers that the request to order an Environmental Impact Assessment in respect of a planning application for All Things Wild had been refused. It was expected that the application for planning would be submitted shortly.

18 **Councillors' reports and items for future agenda.**
Cllr Milliken said that there had been two applications for the John Cooper Foundation, but none from Quinton.
There had been a lot of stones and rubble left on Back Lane and this had been reported to the County Council.

19 **Dates of future meetings:**
8th March, 19th April and the 24th May.

20 **Accounts for payment and finance matters:**
The following payments were noted and approved:

- i) Information Commissioner (Data Protection) - £35.00
- ii) Rapid Vision (CCTV maintenance) - £222.00
- iii) BT (broadband) - £64.50
- iv) Alscot Timber (wood for pond) - £760.82
- v) HSBC (bank charges) - £8.00
- vi) Clerk's salary - £**
- vii) HMRC (income tax) - £**
- viii) BT (broadband) - £64.50

The meeting ended at 9.25 pm

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