

## Quinton Parish Council

### Ordinary Parish Council Meeting

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2021  
Quinton Village Hall 7.30 pm

Present: Cllr Robert Spooner (Chairman)

Cllr Edward Fitter

Cllr Andy Gibb

Cllr Paul Milliken

Cllr Andy Smith

Cllr Abbie Taylor

Cllr Chris Watson

Mrs M Norman (Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer)

Also present: Cllr Izzi Seccombe and 1 member of the public.

1	<b>Apologies:</b> Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Kathy Clarke and were accepted by the Council.
2	<b>Declaration of interests.</b> There were no declarations of interest.
3	<b>Minutes of the previous meeting:</b> The minutes of the meeting on the 25th May 2021 were agreed as an accurate record and were signed by the Chairman.
4	<b>Questions from the public:</b> There were no questions from members of the public.
5	<b>Traffic signs:</b> It was resolved to allocate the sum of £1,000 to pay for junction warning signs on Friday Street, Back Lane and Thackeray Close, together with traffic calming signage. The funds received as CIL money for the development of the garages at St. Swithin's Close would be used for this purpose.
6	<b>St. Swithin's News:</b> It was resolved to grant the sum of £1,000 towards the publishing costs of the newsletter.
7	<b>Churchyard:</b> It was resolved to grant the sum of £500 towards the maintenance costs of the churchyard.

8	<p><b>Village Pond:</b> Cllr Smith had asked 5 landscape architects to tender for improvements to the pond, but had had no success. He then contacted 4 pond contractor specialists and hoped that some quotes for the work would be forthcoming. As a last resort, if no suitable quotes are submitted, then Cllr Smith and other volunteers will do the work themselves as a community project. The floating duckhouse has been completed and was due to be launched the following day.</p>
9	<p><b>Queen's Platinum Jubilee:</b> It was resolved to donate the sum of £3,500 for the event planned for the 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2022 to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee. This would ensure free entry to all residents of Quinton and commemorative medals for the children. Cllr Spooner and Cllr Fitter would join the Jubilee Committee.</p>
10	<p><b>Neighbourhood Plan:</b> Cllr Milliken said that the Regulation 14 requirements had all been complied with. There had been a positive input from residents about the draft Neighbourhood Plan. Some useful information had been received from Severn Trent about water management. Members of the Steering Committee were working through this and would then revise the draft to reflect this and other input. The draft would then be submitted for approval by the Parish Council before being sent to Stratford District Council for the further regulatory stages.</p>
11	<p><b>Clerk's updates:</b> The clerk had been informed that the solicitor dealing with the first registrations of the village greens had retired. His successor had contacted the clerk to discuss progressing the registration. Subject to the Council's agreement it was proposed to redraft the statements of truth and submit applications for all parcels of village greens in both Upper and Lower Quinton. The clerk would send the revised statements of truth to Councillors for approval before signing. The Land Registry was still experiencing severe delays, but the solicitor hoped that the registration would be complete by the end of the year.</p>
12	<p><b>New footpath beside Campden Road:</b> Quotations had been received from Thomas Fox for strimming the vegetation on either side of the new path. It was agreed to a) approve the cost of £85 to clear the footpath of weeds. It was resolved b) to defer consideration of having this work done fortnightly at a cost of £35 per session. The Council would review the path and decide whether it was necessary for strimming to be carried out so frequently.</p>
13	<p><b>Any matters from the Chairman:</b> The Pavilion was now open. There were connectivity problems with the telephone and WiFi in part due to the lack of a Royal Mail address and correct post code. Biffa collections would need to be organised. Volunteers had been recruited and were working under the supervision of one full time employee. Some of those volunteers were adults with learning difficulties who were being supported by care workers. Funding for the project was still a problem. A Meon Vale Support Partnership had been convened; the Chairman and Debbie Woodliffe from Marston Sicca Parish Council were participants along with the Diocese of Gloucester and St. Modwen's who are doing everything in their power to support residents of Meon Vale. The Chairman requested that someone take on the responsibility for monitoring the vegetation. Cllr Taylor agreed to do this. A broken fence cross member at the new path had been reported to Cllr Seccombe who was arranging with WCC to have it repaired.</p>

	<p>The Chairman had attended a drop in event with All Things Wild who had bought Willicote Farm on the Campden Road and would be submitting a planning application for expansion of the site. Although Quinton would be notified only as an adjoining Council, the Chairman proposed that Quinton PC should work in conjunction with both Marston Sicca and Clifford Chambers PC as the traffic issue on the Campden Road would affect all three parishes. The Parish Council had now taken on responsibility for the defibrillator at Meon Medical Centre.</p>	
14	<p><b>District and County Councillors' reports:</b>  Cllr Fitter said that a decision on the planning application for the self build houses on Taylor's Lane was imminent. Cllr Seccombe reported that the idea of introducing a 20 mph speed limit in residential areas was under discussion. The County Council was still working with local businesses helping them to recover from the pandemic and supporting new businesses, particularly those working with low carbon technologies. There is to be an Ofsted inspection of special needs schools. With the aim of keeping all special needs pupils within the county a new school is being built in Exhall for the county.</p>	
15	<p><b>Planning applications:</b>  The following planning applications were considered:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) 21/01958/FUL 7 The Firs: proposed single storey side extension. No representation was made to this application.</li> </ul> <p>The results of the following planning application were noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) 21/01364/FUL Land south of Willicote Farm, Clifford Chambers: permission refused for erection of full agricultural building.</li> <li>ii) 20/03647/FUL Henney's Farm: permission granted for demolition of cattle shed and erection of new single storey residential dwelling conversion of Grade 11 listed barn into residential dwelling and demolition and rebuilding of single storey building to form a north wing to the proposed dwelling connected by a single storey glazed link.</li> <li>iii) 20/03648/LBC Henney's Farm: listed buildings consent given for developments above.</li> <li>iv) 21/01222/FUL 7 Dobbie Road, Upper Quinton: permission granted for single storey rear extension.</li> </ul>	
16	<p><b>To receive receipts and payments records for the quarter:</b>  The Council received the receipts and payments records previously circulated and agreed them as an accurate record.</p>	
17	<p><b>To receive any correspondence:</b>  There was no correspondence to be noted.</p>	
18	<p><b>Councillors' reports and items for future agenda.</b>  Fence on playground – to consider adding to the top to protect the village hall roof and the bottom centre where a panel needs replacing.</p>	
19	<p><b>Accounts for payment and finance matters:</b>  The following payments were noted and approved</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) Thomas Fox (grass cutting) - £1,500.68</li> <li>ii) Thomas Fox (grass cutting) - £1,662.76</li> <li>iii) BT (broadband) - £56.99</li> <li>iv) Clerk's salary - £**</li> <li>v) K Robbins (renovations to planters) - £520.00</li> </ul>	

- vi) Sue Upston (flowers for planters) - £200.00
- vii) P Milliken (Neighbourhood Plan printing) - £199.00

The meeting ended at 9.30 pm.

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