

Quinton Parish Council

Ordinary Parish Council Meeting

Tuesday 23rd October 2018
Quinton Village Hall 7.30 pm

Present: Cllr Robert Spooner (Chairman)

Cllr Caroline Barton

Cllr Edward Fitter

Cllr Paul Milliken

Cllr Rob Clark

Cllr Claire Scopes

Cllr Chris Watson

Mrs M Norman (Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer)

Also present: 3 members of the public

1	Apologies: Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Phil Maundrill, Cllr Rebecca Hall, Cllr Izzi Seccombe and Cllr Mike Brain and were accepted by the Council.	
2	Declaration of interests The Chairman declared an interest in respect of items 15 and 17 on the agenda.	
3	Minutes of the previous meeting: The minutes of the meeting of the 4 th September 2018 were agreed as an accurate record and signed by the Chairman.	
4	Matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting: Matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting were reported on under items 6 and 12.	
5	Questions from the public: There were no questions from members of the public. The Chairman varied the order of the agenda in order to discuss item 13:	
13	Duck pond: Cllr Fitter had investigated the possibility of constructing a wall around the duck pond, but this had been vetoed by Warwickshire County Council on safety grounds. The plan now was to undertake the repainting of the fence around the duck pond. The lifebelt needed to be put back in position. Cllr Fitter would recruit a team of volunteers to carry out the necessary work. The Council approved the request for the sum of £50 to defray expenses.	E F
6	Chairman's reports: The Chairman reported that candidates for the speed watch course had all been vetted. There were now sufficient numbers for the course to go ahead and he was waiting to be notified of the	

	<p>date. Some instances of vegetation overgrowth were still in evidence. The Chairman asked for a fellow councillor to accompany him on a walk round the village in order to obtain an impartial view of the extent of overgrowth. Cllr Barton volunteered. The concrete waste had now all been removed. There was still no news on the outcome of the Vodafone mast appeal. The Chairman and Clerk had attended a Parking Seminar organised by WALC in conjunction with Warwickshire County Council and Stratford District Council. This had confirmed that notices placed on cars regarding inconsiderate parking would be regarded by the District Council as fly posting. The Chairman had discovered a notice of the Parish Council's bye law prohibiting dogs on the playing field. The clerk was asked to investigate whether this bye law could be enforced. A session to facilitate the establishment of community groups had been set for Saturday 27th October in the Village Hall. Lastly, the Chairman noted that construction at the Bromford site had begun and that there were significant parking issues along Goose Lane. Planning Condition 7 of Bromford's Management Plan prohibited parking in Goose Lane and also prohibited any deliveries before 9.00 am. The Chairman had raised the issue of this non compliance with the Planning Enforcement Officer at Stratford District Council.</p>	M N R S
7	<p>Any matters from the District or County Councillors: There were no matters to report.</p>	
8	<p>First registration of Village Greens: After discussion, it was resolved to accept a qualified title from the Land Registry in respect of the greens in Lower Quinton.</p>	
9	<p>Cllr Fitter left the meeting at 8.00 pm.</p> <p>Neighbourhood Plan update: Cllr Milliken reported that the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group had had a meeting on the 11th October. The group had agreed to focus attention on developing the green open spaces plan as this was a project identified by residents in the recently completed survey. Professional assistance would be needed to further this which would entail funding. A funding grant had been applied for, and the sum of £3,000 would shortly be available for future costs. b) The Council agreed to cover the cost of the Neighbourhood Plan survey and resolved that the sum of £3,235 plus VAT be made available for this purpose. c) It was also resolved that the Parish Council would apply to WALC on behalf of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group to request funding for two hours of a consultant's time in relation to the green open spaces project. The Council also resolved to engage the consultant, Neil Pierce, for further work where this is covered by grant funding.</p>	M N
10	<p>Development at Marston Edge Nurseries: Members of the Council expressed their disquiet at this development. The planning application originally submitted (16/02421/FUL) had been for 12 glamping pods and 24 tents/ caravan pitches, subsequently altered to 36 tents/caravan pitches (17/03176/VARY). The Council had seen no reason to object to these applications and had made no representation to Stratford District Council. The news that the permission granted meant that the site owners were now able to construct 55 mobile homes on the site with no conditions attached was a cause of grave concern to the Parish</p>	R

11	<p>Council. It was agreed that the Chairman would seek further clarification from Stratford District Council as to how permission for such a development had been granted. The Council would also request clarification on the effect the construction of 55 new permanent homes would have on Quinton's delivery of housing numbers within Local Service Village Category 1 of the Core Strategy.</p>	S M N
12	<p>CCTV: Cllr Watson advised the Council that the Village Hall Committee had agreed to purchase another CCTV camera at a cost of £445 plus VAT. After discussion, the Council resolved to opt for the gold maintenance package for the CCTV equipment at an annual cost of £185 plus VAT.</p>	
14	<p>Clerk's updates: The clerk had received nine responses to the proposal to install anti parking posts around the lay bys on Main Road. Eight were in favour and one opposed. Those who agreed requested further information regarding the types of posts to be selected. The clerk had been in contact with Warwickshire County Council regarding a possible pedestrian crossing outside the school. The need for a crossing has to meet a set of criteria based on the number of vehicles, pedestrians and associated risks. WCC doubted whether the criteria could be met, as there were too few vehicles. The Safer Routes to School budget is fully committed for the next two years so no consideration can be given to the request until more funds become available. A pedestrian crossing costs in the region of £65,000. A school crossing patrol also needs to meet criteria based on the number of child pedestrians and vehicles. If the school wished to request a count, the Headmaster would need to contact the School Patrol Service. The Planning Enforcement Officer had visited the Meon Vale roundabout and agreed that there was a proliferation of signs from a number of building companies. However, he did not consider that these signs constituted a road safety hazard. He therefore consulted the Ward member, who gave his support to close the case with no further action.</p>	M N
15	<p>Proposed development at Campden Garage: The Council discussed the Design and Access Statement for 15 flats to be constructed on the site of Campden Garage. The Council did not feel this was a suitable location for such a large number of properties. They had concerns about vehicle access onto the very busy Campden Road. Any development of this site should be confined to the building of two or three houses which would blend in with the existing properties on this stretch of road. The Council also considered that the loss of a local business would be detrimental to the village.</p>	
16	<p>Hi Viz jackets: The Chairman, having previously declared an interest with regards to this item left the room during the discussion. It was unanimously resolved to purchase 30 Hi Viz jackets at a cost of £83.41.</p>	
17	<p>Playground inspection: Cllr Barton reported that the inspection of the playgrounds had been satisfactory and the only risks identified had been extremely low. She would continue to monitor the seat of one of the swings which was showing signs of wear. She also suggested removing the matting around the play equipment and replacing it with turf. The broken paving slabs had not been identified as a risk by the inspector.</p>	C B
	<p>Proposed development St. Swithin's Wood: The Chairman, having previously declared an interest with regards to this item did not take part in the discussion. The Council had received a request from Rosconn for a meeting with the Parish Council, where the School Governors would also be present. The Council agreed that they did not consider such a</p>	

	meeting to be appropriate at the present time as no planning application had been submitted. The Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group was organising meetings with local stakeholders, which would include landowners and the School Governors. The clerk was asked to convey this to Rosconn.	M N
18	<p>Maintenance issues: No issues other than those already mentioned on the agenda were reported.</p>	
19	<p>Replacement paving slabs: Cllr Barton was still waiting for quotes for repairs to the paving slabs. She had replaced two of the most badly broken slabs herself and anticipated that the sum of £500 would be more than adequate to replace the others. She suggested however, that concrete or tarmac paths would be more cost effective in the long run as they would be more vandal proof than the paving slabs. It was agreed that the Council would give further consideration to this matter at a later date.</p>	
20	<p>Body cam: It was agreed to defer further consideration of this item till a later meeting</p>	
21	<p>Planning applications: The following planning applications were considered:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) 18/01883/FUL. Construction of south western relief road to Stratford-upon-Avon extending between the A3400 near Orchard Hill Farm and the Luddington Road/B439 Evesham Road. No representation was made to this application. ii) 18/01892/OUT Long Marston Airfield: outline application (with all matters reserved) for a phased development comprising up to 3,100 new homes (Class C2/C3), employment (use Classes B1a)-c)), including a business park of approximately 5.7 ha (gross) and further employment space/land with mixed use areas, village centre comprising a range of uses (Classes A1-A5/B1a)D1/D2) plus two primary schools and one secondary school. No representation was made to this application. iii) 18/02933/TEL 28 New Row, Lower Quinton: installation of 1xolive green coloured DSLAM equipment cabinet. No representation was made to this application. <p>And to receive the results of the following planning applications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) 18/01298/REM Land off Main Street, Lower Quinton: Reserved matters (appearance, landscape, layout and scale) pursuant to outline permission 13/00873/PUT for 4 dwellings (granted at appeal APP/J3720/A/13/220284). Approved. ii) 18/01494/FUL 1 The Close, Lower Quinton: proposed dropped kerb for vehicular access. Permission granted. iii) 18/02206/TPO Quinton Nursing Home, Lower Quinton: crown lift on 3 yew trees. Permission granted. iv) 18/01331/FUL Clifford Farm, Clifford Chambers: application for removal of conditions 5 and 6. Permission granted. 	
22	<p>Reports from Council members on outside bodies: At a recent meeting of the John Cooper Foundation, Cllr Milliken said that no applications had been received from Quinton residents.</p>	
23	<p>External audit: The external audit report had been received from PK Littlejohn, auditors, and in their opinion the information in the annual return was in accordance with proper practices and no other matters had come to their attention giving cause for concern that relevant legislative and regulatory</p>	

requirements had not been met.

24 **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.

25 **To receive any correspondence:**

No correspondence other than that notified under previous items had been received.

26 **Councillors' reports and items for future agenda.**

Possible purchase of new litter bin for church yard.

27 **Accounts for payment and finance matters:**

The following payments were noted and approved:

- i) Thomas Fox (grass cutting) - £1900.40
- ii) BT (broadband) - £43.68
- iii) Clerk's salary - £**
- iv) HMRC (income tax) - £**
- v) Thomas Fox (grass cutting) - £1,531.14
- vi) BT (broadband) - £45.48
- vii) SLCC (subscription) - £60.00
- viii) Prontaprint (printing costs) - £13.50
- ix) Harvest Festival (good purchased) - £19.80

The Chairman and Vice Chairman signed the supporting documentation.

The next meeting would take place on Tuesday 4th December at 7.30 pm.

The meeting closed at 9.20 pm.

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