

Quinton Parish Council

Ordinary Parish Council Meeting

Tuesday 20th September 2022

Quinton Village Hall 7.30 pm

Present: Cllr Robert Spooner (Chairman)

Cllr Andy Smith

Cllr Paul Milliken

Cllr Chris Watson

Cllr James Mills

Mrs M Norman (Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer)

Also present: Cllr Izzi Seccombe and 6 members of the public

1	Apologies: Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Edward Fitter.
2	Declaration of interests. There were no declarations of interest.
3	Minutes of the previous meeting: The minutes of the meetings on the 19 th July 2022 and the 1 st September 2022 were agreed as an accurate record and were signed by the Chairman.
4	Questions from the public: A member of the public mentioned the large hole outside the gate at the Village Hall. The Chairman said that the land belonged to the Highways Department of Warwickshire County Council and he had notified them of this issue. The Chairman varied the agenda order to discuss item 11.
11	Event application Conrad's Ride & Festival: The request to hold a festival in aid of the military charity 353 on Quinton Playing Field on the 15 th July 2023 was granted, subject to the proviso that any celebrations for the coronation would take precedence on that date.
5	Neighbourhood Plan: The Council agreed the changes made to Quinton's Neighbourhood Plan consequent upon the Examiner's full report. The Plan is now with Stratford District Council for their final review. Once this is complete the District Council will have 56 days in which to organise the referendum, although Cllr Milliken said that SDC had asked Quinton for an extension. Cllr Milliken said that he

	would agree to this request but would still ask that the referendum took place before the end of the year.
6	<p>20 mph speed limit outside Quinton Primary School:</p> <p>Before considering this item, the Council heard from a member of the public who wished to speak on this point. He said that he would prefer to see efforts directed towards reducing the speed of traffic throughout the village as a whole, rather than concentrating on the area outside the school. He said that four out of five drivers through the village triggered the 30mph flashing sign yet made no effort to reduce their speed. Stileman Close was a particularly dangerous junction. Cllr Milliken said that in discussions with Warwickshire County Council about speeding problems, they had advised that the best option would be warning signs on the road beside Lilac Avenue and Stileman's Close, as well as on Back Lane. The work had been agreed but not yet carried out. The Council agreed that it would pursue the idea of chicanes at both ends of the village. It would also obtain costings for the type of traffic slowing measures to be seen in Long Marston.</p> <p>The Council then resolved to pay the requested £500 to Warwickshire County Council for a detailed cost estimate of creating a 20 mph limit outside Quinton Primary School.</p>
7	<p>Proposed 30 mph speed limit Taylor's Lane:</p> <p>It was agreed that the Council would ask Warwickshire County Council whether it was feasible to introduce a 30mph speed limit along Taylor's Lane. The Council noted an objection from a resident who felt that a 30mph speed limit would urbanise a country lane.</p>
8	<p>Maintenance work at the Fordway:</p> <p>It was agreed that the clerk should ask Thomas Fox for a revised estimate for maintenance work at the Fordway. The Council felt that if the shrubs growing alongside the chain link fence were cut back, this would solve the problem.</p>
9	<p>Relocation of metal posts and signs Quinton Playing Field:</p> <p>It was agreed to accept the estimate of £380 for relocation of the metal posts and No Dogs signs on Quinton playing field.</p>
10	<p>Repairs to grass area:</p> <p>The Council felt that the quote received from Thomas Fox for repairs to this area was too high and that £350 would be a more appropriate sum. The clerk was asked to inform Thomas Fox accordingly.</p>
12	<p>Litter bins Village Hall:</p> <p>It was resolved to buy two new litter bins for the children's play area beside Quinton and Admington village hall.</p>
13	<p>Book share proposal:</p> <p>After discussion, it was resolved not to proceed with the proposal to buy a book share shed for the Fordway playground. There was already a flourishing book share scheme operating in the church.</p>
14	<p>Harvest Festival:</p> <p>It was agreed to make a donation of £40 for a food hamper for the Harvest Festival.</p>
15	<p>Chairman's report:</p> <p>The Chairman said that so sadly, Nick Bond, a frequent attendee of our Parish Council meetings, passed away just a few weeks ago. He had tidied up all his public matters and had finished handing</p>

	<p>over all that he was involved with only days beforehand. Such a gentleman who was unwavering in his belief in the Newsletter, always making a great case for help with its funding. Thank you dear Nick.</p> <p>Quinton Fields – the Chairman has spoken to residents who are very dissatisfied with the lack of grounds maintenance on the estate. Those he spoke to are not paying the maintenance charge for that reason.</p> <p>Playing Fields – Councillor Mills has taken on the role of looking after the two play areas the Parish Council owns.</p>	
16	<p>District and County Councillors’ reports:</p> <p>Cllr Seccombe said that there were various links on Warwickshire County Council’s website which offered help to those struggling with high energy costs, one of which was a Household Support Fund. The County Council was hoping that some money would be forthcoming from central government to help local councils. Other schemes include a Local Welfare Scheme, Act on Energy, and an Early Years Pupil Premium. There will also be help with childcare costs.</p>	
17	<p>Councillor updates:</p> <p>There were no updates from Councillors.</p>	
18	<p>Planning applications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) 22/01937/FUL Land adjacent to No. 43 The Close, Lower Quinton: erection of 1 bungalow and associated development. The Council objected to this application. ii) 22/02475/FUL Wheelgate Cottage, Upper Quinton: proposed demolition of existing proprietary concrete single garage and install a proprietary off the shelf double garage. It was resolved to make no representation to this application. iii) APP/J3720/W/33/3296975: appeal against Stratford District Council’s refusal of planning application 20/033026/OUT for a phased development of eight serviced self-build plots, public open space in the form of a grassland and community orchard, and associated works. <p>The results of the following planning application were noted: There were no results to be noted.</p>	
19	<p>To receive receipts and payments records for the quarter:</p> <p>The Council received the receipts and payments records previously circulated and agreed them as an accurate record. The Chairman signed the supporting documentation.</p>	
20	<p>To receive any correspondence:</p> <p>Wayleave request from BT Openreach for laying of cables under the village green, Upper Quinton.</p>	
21	<p>Councillors’ reports and items for future agenda.</p> <p>Cllr Smith reported that Highways wanted to see the design for the Information Board at the pond before giving permission for its installation.</p>	
22	<p>Accounts for payment and finance matters:</p> <p>The following payments were noted and approved:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) EoN (electricity) - £36.72 ii) Stratford District Council (bin emptying) - £295.20 iii) HSBC (bank charges) - £8.00 	

- iv) Gallagher (insurance) - £849.23
- v) Clerk's salary - £**
- vi) Robert Spooner (signs) - £112.32
- vii) BT (broadband) - £65.15
- viii) Clerk's salary - £**
- ix) HMRC (income tax) - £**
- x) Sue Upstone (planters) - £190.00
- xi) Thomas Fox (grass cutting) - £1,572.68
- xii) Thomas Fox (grass cutting) - £1,111.38
- xiii) Village Hall (hire of hall) - £39.75

The meeting ended at 9.05 pm

