

Ironville Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council, held by Cisco WebEx on Monday 21 September 2020 at 7.00pm

Present: Chairman: Councillor Cope
Councillors: T Bowler, P Smith, P Clark and R Mitchell
Apologies Councillors E Holgate and C Gent
Absent: Councillors RL Daniel R Tailby
Also, in Attendance: Kath Gruber (Parish Clerk)
4 members of the public

NON-CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

FC/0920/01 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillors Holgate and Gent

FC/0920/02 Variation of Order of Business

None

FC/0920/03 Declaration of Members Interest

None declared

FC/0920/04 PUBLIC SPEAKING

Andy Cadman

- Advised that the newsletter has been published and posted
- Reported that he had contacted Severn Trent regarding the road closure and requested the council write to complain about the issues

Michael Blount

Thanked the school for dealing with the overhanging branches along Cinder bank/Waterside

Councillor Mitchell joined the meeting at 7.06pm

Derbyshire County Councillor Smith:

- Agreed that Severn Trent road closures were a problem as was inadequate signage. Advised he had contacted the DCC Utility Closure officer.
- Explained that the Vegan Festival showed that there was inadequate legislation to refuse permission on Covid grounds and he has written to the Government on this. He highlighted the concerns to Public Health Derbyshire and the festival application was withdrawn.
- Derbyshire is seeing a rising volume of Covid cases and he urges residents to adhere to the guidelines.
- DCC Leader is proposing a unitary authority covering Derbyshire and Derby

Amber Valley Borough Councillor Smith

- Waste and recycling rates continue to be high

FC/0920/05 Exclusion of the Public

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None

FC/0920/06 Minutes of the Full Council Meeting

Resolved: that the Minutes of the Parish Council meetings held on 20 July 2020 were confirmed as a correct record under the Parish Council provisions for approval and will be signed by the Chair.

FC/0920/07 Village Matters

1. Defibrillator – cabinet has been returned and it was **Resolved:** to contact Leabrooks and Somercotes clerks to establish specification of their cabinet and purchase an unlocked cabinet once monies refunded
2. Watering IPC containers – Plantscape have agreed to water free of charge this year. The Chair highlighted that the planters are full of weeds and it was **Resolved:** that the warden will remove the weeds and Councillors Cope and Holgate will agree on what bulbs to purchase for him to plant.
3. Skip - it was **Resolved:** to book a date for January 2021 and put safety measures in place.
4. Remembrance Day - It was **Resolved:**
 - to check arrangements with the Church
 - if parade not going ahead Councillor Cope will lay wreath and photo be included in next newsletter
 - the poppies will be installed on the lamp posts if DCC regulations permit
5. Other environmental matters - parking on kerbs was highlighted as an increasing issue and it was **Resolved:** to issue guidance on reporting

FC/0920/08 Futures Update

The neighbourhood officer gave an update and advised she was working with the communications team to find different ways of engaging with residents. She gave details on support Futures can provide and it was **Resolved:** that she would prepare an article on this for publication in the village newsletter and in Council communications

FC/0920/09 Christmas 2020

- Electricity costs have been confirmed as correct by the supplier. The contract expires 30/11/20 and it was **Resolved:** to seek an alternative provider.
- Christmas Tree – the proposal of Futures planting a tree permanently was discussed and following a lengthy discussion it was unanimously **Resolved:** to retain current arrangements this year and carry out a public consultation on what residents want in future years.
- Silhouettes – it was **Resolved:** the supply charges need investigating as at the current rate it is cost prohibitive for the Council to fund this year. It was clarified that Team Tree have not been asked to pay the 2019 electricity bill which was paid by the Council. It was also clarified that Team Tree are responsible for the silhouettes and fixtures & fittings (as minuted **FC/0120/08**). Councillor Smith agreed to allocate

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funding to Team Tree to assist with their organisation goals of having more Christmas lights in the village.

- Christmas Tree Light Switch On – it was **Resolved**: this would be on 28/11/2020

FC/0920/10 Village Action Plan

The Council reviewed the draft plan and **Resolved**: to publish the plan and review progress of actions at each meeting.

FC/0920/11 Village Warden

The Chair gave an update on the work he was doing and how improved the village was looking. It was **Resolved**:

- To purchase a 240 litre trade waste bin to be emptied monthly
- The village warden is not required to attend Parish Council meetings.

FC/0920/12 Finance

1. Accounts for Payment

The Council considered the payments for month ending July 2020, as attached at Schedule 1, and **Resolved**: this schedule of accounts to be initialled and approved by the Chairman, with payments made by bank transfer.

2. S137 applications

The Council noted the Team Tree application would be considered at the November meeting when accounts were provided.

FC/0920/13 Report of the Clerk

- **Action plan and actions arising from the last meeting**

The Clerk updated the Council as to progress on the Action Plan and matters arising from the July 2020 meeting. Specifically, the Chair has been set up with Council email address but there are teething problems which need resolving before this is rolled out across remaining Councillors.

- **General Correspondence**

Noted. It was agreed the Council would support the resident request for a letter to be sent to Severn Trent and that he is advised to report the issue to his MP

FC/0920/14 Consultations

Noted

FC/0920/15 Derbyshire Association of Local Councils

The Council noted the contents of Circulars 07/20 and 08/20

FC/0920/16 Planning Applications

None

FC/0920/17 Climate Change

The Council noted the Dalc Climate change survey

FC//0920/18 Items for information only

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- To receive reports from representatives on outside bodies
None
- To receive any other items for information only and items to be included on the next agenda
 - Christmas (to be standing agenda item)
 - Village Action Plan (to be standing agenda item)
 - Team Tree S137 application
 - Green Bridge

FC/0920/19 Website Accessibility Requirements

The Council reviewed the website accessibility statement (required to be in place by 23/9/2020) and Clerk's advice that the Council the website was partially compliant and needed the following changes to be fully compliant:

- the removal of some background images
- changes to the colour of some text
- the removal of the map feature on the home page header

It was **Resolved:**

- to accept the website accessibility statement as a true reflection
- to commission the required changes, at a cost of £149, to be implemented in April 2021 when precept received.

FC/0920/20 Date and Time of Next Meeting

It was **Resolved:**

- a) that the next meetings of the Parish Council will be held remotely until Government advice changes
- b) the next Parish Council will be on 16 November 2020 at 7pm.

The meeting closed at 21.03pm

Description	Payee	Net	Vat	Gross
Makita Trimmer	ITS	174.99	35.00	209.99
60 Geraniums	AVBC	24.00	4.80	28.80
PPE Clothing	C2O	74.11	14.82	88.93
Bus Shelter Cleaning	Shelter Main	19.35	3.87	23.22
Aug Wages & Expenses	J Watson	615.98		615.98
Sept Wages	J Watson	602.55		602.55
Aug/Sept Wages/Exp	K Gruber	764.55		764.55
PAYE	HMRC	388.71		388.71
PAYE	HMRC	125.80		125.80
Postage - Defib	Kath Gruber	14.13		14.13
Totals		2804.17	58.49	2862.66

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