



LONG CRENDON PARISH COUNCIL

Sports Pavillion, Chearsley Road, Long Crendon, Buckinghamshire, HP18 9BS

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Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held BY VIDEOCONFERENCE on Monday 3rd August 2020 at 19.30

PRESENT: -

Paul Davies	Councillor & Chairman Parish Council (Chairman of this meeting)
Sandy Hooper	Councillor
Alex Griffiths	Councillor
Barbara Smith	Councillor
Candy Cozens	Councillor
Bill Meredith	Councillor
Trevor Bullock	Advisor
Greg Lismore	Parish Clerk

2020.82 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: – None

2020.83 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS - None.

2020.84 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - Judy Brandis – Buckinghamshire Council

2020.85 MINUTES and MATTERS ARISING.

The minutes of the meeting held 6th July 2020 were approved by the meeting and were subsequently physically signed as a true record of proceedings using the COVID-19 temporary processes.

2020.86 CLERK'S REPORT AND ACTION LIST.

- COVID-19 related. The play areas have been re-opened. We have erected signs indicating to the parents how the public should treat the facilities and their duty of care to themselves, their children, and the staff employed by the Parish Council in maintaining the facilities. The play areas and the outside gym equipment on the recreation grounds are disinfected twice a week. The Parish Council is accruing extra costs taking these COVID-19 safety measures in line with the mitigation indicated by our risk assessment. These costs are containable in our 2020/2021 budgets.
- Our contractors continue to cut the grass in the amenity fields as well as the Recreation Grounds.
- The guttering at the front of the Pavillion has been replaced. The defective rendering at the Pavillion has been rectified. We will carry out an external power wash of the walls and paving slabs in due course. The cause of the ingress of water on the 2 velux windows on the front elevation of the Pavillion has been determined to be missing parts. The Clerk is trying to source these and if not possible we will have some fabricated.
- 3 Toilets at the Pavilion have been repaired. The upstairs men's look petcock has been replaced. The kitchen tap has been replaced.
- Defective street lights continue to be reported.. UK Power Networks are **still** not attending to our power loss to lamps and we have a number of those outstanding. The Clerk continues to chase up



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UK Power Networks about the outstanding “no power to pole” issues already recorded. A lamppost needs to be removed from a private garden and placed on the highway. The Clerk is trying to find the process to do this but is making no headway.

- Defibrillator at the school – no further action – carry forward.
- The replacement of the bus shelter on Bicester Road adjacent the Indian restaurant - no further action – carry forward.
- New waste bins will be required for the Recreation Grounds. The Clerk will investigate and report back. No progress. Carry forward.
- A conservation clem has been carried out at the village War Memorial on the corner of Bicester Road and Chearsley Road.
- The rental income from the lease to a telecomms company is being reduced in line with Government guidelines to bring down the costs to the mobile network carriers. Our 2020/2021 budget can accommodate this.
- A lightening strike has damaged a tree in the Recreation Grounds. The Clerk will speak to our tree contractor Stonethorpe.

2020.87 PLANNING –

The Council resolved to write to County Democratic Services and the head of planning about the misrepresentation of the Parish Council at a recent Buckinghamshire County Central Area Planning Committee meeting relating to an application at Sandy Lane and an application on Thame Road. The Council also resolved to write to the chair of the Buckinghamshire Council Central Area Planning Committee about the farcical way the recent discussions on matters relating to planning applications in Long Crendon have been handled. The concern is mainly that the issues being raised by the Parish Council are simply ignored and not debated in any meaningful fashion. The Parish Council believe that process change is required to improve matters at the county level.

2020.88 FINANCE

The Parish Council Finance Control system which was on Grant Stevens work computer is not yet accessible to the current Clerk. In the meantime the Clerk is following an emergency protocol with a suitable audit trail to be signed off by the Chairman and the Vice Chairman.

2020.89 Feedback from Community Board meeting

Cllr. Candy Cozens provided written feedback. The main items are that there are now 35 members of the new Board (many more than the old Local Area Forum) and that we believe this will make matters too complicated. The priorities of the Board are Speeding, HS2 lorries, more 20MPH limits in villages, Motor cycle noise being excessive on the B4011.

2020.90 Potential stone memorial and scarecrow trail

Cllr. Candy Cozens reported no progress as the schools are currently closed.



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2020.91 –Meeting with Cllr. David Lyons

It was agreed that Cllr. Sandy Hooper host such a meeting using video link.

2020.92 Non-Transactional CORRESPONDENCE –

Letter from resident re S106 project proposals on the recreation grounds. Council agreed the response.

Letter from Rectory Homes protest in respect of recent County Planning Committee meeting etc. The Council approved a response based on the misrepresentation of the Parish Council at that meeting. The Parish Council also agreed to have a face to face meeting the Chairman and Chief Executive of Rectory Homes to sort out the matter.

Letter from CLUTTONS solicitors – response agreed.

Letter received from the Village Association expressing thanks for the recent grant.

2020.80 UPDATES.

- **2020.93.1 Road Safety** -in progress by Cllr Hooper. The required application form to the County Council has been completed but we have not yet had a response. Carry forward.
- **2020.93.2 Village Emergency Plan.** - in progress by Cllr Hooper - carry forward.
- **2020.93.3 S106 Sports & Leisure Project at recreation Grounds** - in progress by Cllr. Paul Davies. Carry forward.
- **2020.93.4 Possible medical facility on land at Chearsley Rd.** Things are still looking bleak – no change Carry forward.
- **2020.93.5 Safe Road Crossing on Chearsley Road – S106.** In progress by Cllr. Smith. Awaiting project approvals at County level. Carry forward.
- **2020.93.6 Parish Council Website** – The project is progressing and training for Cllr Bill Meredith has taken place. The Clerk training will take place later due to workload issues exacerbated by recent personnel matters. The project has received the detailed input from the Clerkas requested. which is not yet completed. Updated mugshots of Councillors are still needed. Publicity for the changes is to be agreed. GO LIVE date to be decided shortly. The Council approved the Data Privacy notice to be used. Carry forward.
- **2020.93.7 Improved access to amenity field at Harroell.** Awaiting costings from our contractors. Carry forward.

2020.94 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- Vehicles are still parking on our land opposite the garage. The Clerk was requested to re-issue the official notice asking for this to cease. It was further agreed to get a costing for the installation of wooden posts at this location to prevent illegal parking. Action the Clerk.
- The hedge at the rear of the War Memorial will be trimmed – action Cllr. Barbara Smith. P
- The issue of flooding at Meadow Bank Close was raised as no conclusive action has been taken by County Council. The only work done was the Parish Council getting the drains cleared out. Cllr. Paul Davies is liaising with County officials to try and push forward on a more permanent solution.



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The Chairman closed the meeting at 20:40

Print Name:

Signed..... Date.....