

St Martins Parish Council

Meeting notes of a Zoom Video Conference held on Thursday 23rd April 2020 at 16.00.

PRESENT: Cllrs, Nina Mistry, Glenn Pennington, Helen Williams and the Parish Clerk.
In the Chair: Cllr Helen Williams

341/04/20.C Apologies for Absence

There were none, all invitees present.

342/04/20.C Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

Resolved: to note that no Disclosable Pecuniary interests were received on any item included on the agenda in accordance with Sections 50-52, Local Government Act 2000 and The Local Authorities (Model Code of Conduct) (England) Act 2001 and no applications for dispensations.

343/04/20.C Minutes

Proposed: Cllr Nina Mistry **Seconded:** Cllr Glenn Pennington

<p>Resolved: that the minutes of Video Conference meeting held on Thursday 16th April 2020 having been previously circulated be confirmed as a correct record ad adopted.</p>
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These would now be forwarded to all Cllr's.

344/04/20.C Urgent Items

There were no urgent items that relate to financial, health and safety issues or issues that required immediate attention.

345/04/20.C Cllr John Stevens

Cllr's now had some of John's files including CIL, Section 106 and planning. Further work was required on his emails which they could all get into.

As regards the new recreation facility at the rear of the school Cllr Helen Williams had now located John's paper trial. She would pass this on to Cllr Glenn Pennington who agreed to take the lead role on this project.

Cllr Helen Williams said she still had further paperwork of John's to go through.

346/04/20.C Parish Clerk's Progress Report

The Parish Clerk went through the action sheet from the last meeting.

Irvine Gardens – Nick Scott from Pickstock Homes had responded as follows to our request for dates when outstanding work on this site would be completed; as follows,

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We are doing our best, it is not proving easy in the current climate – we are trying to get prices back from civils companies to complete the remedial work to the sewers, the first three companies we approached are being slow in coming back to us (many of their staff have been Furloughed), we have met with another on site earlier today and they have confirmed their availability to start work immediately and they have promised to get a price back to me within the next few days.

In the current circumstances it would be misleading of me to provide timescales for when the work will be completed – suffice it to say we will do our best to get it completed as soon as possible and I will update you as soon as we have a contractor on board and can provide a more definitive timescale. We would continue to monitor the situation.

Parish Clerk

Ifton Heath School – Cllr's had seen the plans for this site and had no issues which now go out on a public consultation period from the 20th April 2020.

Hanging Baskets – following talks with the Chairman, Huw Manford had agreed to continue watering these baskets this year, including the memorial garden. It was also agreed to ask Huw to resite the hanging basket and bracket from the pole by the mini roundabout by Stans Superstore to a more suitable location in the same area.

Parish Clerk

Tree Branches – agreed to instruct Huw Manford the trim the branches from around the street light in the memorial garden.

Parish Clerk

Vacancy for Councillor – notices advertising our current vacancy would be put up in the notice boards and our and Shropshire Council's website as from Monday 27th April 2020. The Parish Clerk explain the process on filling this vacancy should an election be called.

Parish Clerk

Tree Preservation Order – Shropshire Cllr Steve Davenport is looking into the order (Ref SC/00457/20) on land at Rhos Y Llan, St Martins.

Cllr Steve Davenport

347/04/20.C Financial Matters**347/04/20.1.C Accounts for payment;**

BACS	SALC	Cllr Training	£54.00
BACS	Midland Computers	External Hard Drive for Cllr Nina Mistry	£61.40
Proposed:	Cllr Helen Williams	Seconded:	Cllr Glenn Pennington

Resolved: that these payments be authorized.

Parish Clerk

The Year-end Closedown on accounts had now been completed by RBS.

348/04/20.C Planning

There were no planning applications to consider. Still outstanding

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Reference - 20/01262/VRA106

Address - Land Adj To Garden Village, Hollands Drive, St Martins, Oswestry, Shropshire.

Proposal - Variation of S106 agreement (OS/07/15162/FUL) to omit the provision of the Part 2 Open Space Works.

to defer a decision until further information was available on Section 106 money for this site and a public consultation with residents of Irvine Gardens on whether they wished to have a play area on this site as the PC had agreed to put most of this money into the recreation site at the rear of the school and also add a number of items to the play area by St Martins Centre.

Parish Clerk

Decisions taken by Shropshire Council since the last meeting– there were none.

349/04/20.C Facebook

Cllr Nina Mistry and Cllr Helen Williams agreed to set a parish council Facebook page to be reviewed after a three months trial.

So far information that will benefit villagers included;

- Oswestry life magazine & Village Life
- Stans
- Shropshire Council
- West Mercia Police
- 3 P Big Local
- Food Bank & Village Centre

Other sources being looked at included;

- Places that are delivery food - for those self-isolating
- Any shop opening hours that have drastically changed for essentials
- Any guidance that is given - from a reputable source!

350/04/20.C Members Reports

The Parish Clerk reported that he had asked Andy from Highline Electrical to carry out a visual check on all 137 lights owned by the parish council to see if they had all been converted to LED and also working.

Parish Clerk

351/04/20.C Next Meeting(s)

The next video conference meeting would be held on Thursday 30th April at 16.00.

Parish Clerk

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 16.47

Signed Date

Chairman