

St Martins Parish Council

Meeting notes of a Zoom Video Conference held on Thursday 21st May 2020 at 16.00.

PRESENT: Cllrs, Andrew Cast, Nina Mistry, Glenn Pennington, Helen Williams, and the Parish Clerk.

In the Chair: Cllr Helen Williams

Action

390/05/20.C Apologies for Absence

An apology had been received from Cllr Steve Davenport. (Another meeting). **This apology was accepted).**

391/05/20.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.

392/05/20.C Minutes

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

<p>Resolved: that the minutes of Video Conference meeting held on Thursday 14th May 2020 having been previously circulated be confirmed as a correct record and adopted. These would now be forwarded to all Cllr's.</p>

Parish Clerk

393/05/20.C Urgent Items

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

394/05/20.C Parish Clerk's Progress Report

Street Lighting – Highline Electrical are monitoring when the outstanding parish council owned lights will be converted to LED by Eon. These were; Cedar Close No 26 No LED fitted, Cherry Tree Drive No33 is an advanced LED Clara Lantern not an INDO Air and Cottage Lane No61 - No LED fitted.

Parish Clerk

Irvine Gardens – Nick Scott from Pickstock Homes had now confirmed that they received a quote last week from a ground works company to undertake remedial works identified by Welsh Water to the foul and surface water drainage system to allow this to then be adopted. They are going through the quote at the moment and hope to be able to place the order shortly. They will let you know as soon as they have date from the ground works company to mobilise to site.

Parish Clerk

Vacancy for Councillor – There had been no call for an election therefore a notice would now go up to advertise this vacancy.

395/05/20.C Recreation Partnership

At this point the Parish Clerk lost internet access so Cllr's Glenn Pennington and Andrew Cast minuted this item.

Cllr Glenn Pennington reported on an email from Julie Salter, Shropshire Council, dated 11 May, to LC Steve Davenport, states that she "can confirm the [Shropshire] Council are in receipt of the off-site MUGA Contribution of £43,806. The funds are to be used towards the Council's provision of a multi-use games area (MUGA) within the area of St Martins".

This agrees with the spreadsheet sent by SC's Richard Knight in an email to Cllr John Stevens dated 05 June 2019. That spreadsheet details monies that can be claimed by St Martins Parish Council from Shropshire Council.

Our S106 claim form was written in error to claim the wrong figure of £22,500 (a valid figure, but not yet obtainable according to SC). Therefore we are re-writing the S106 claim form to acquire £43,806 from SC towards the provision of an off-site MUGA.

The meeting discussed the response from Iain Hill-Trevor (IHT) to the P.C.s queries regarding the land transfer. It was pointed out that his answers were full and open, but it was felt that more questions had arisen. On points 1&3 it was felt that the land is being transferred to the P.C. for perpetuity as restrictive covenants are not unusual and it is the whole purpose to keep the land as recreational and sports, however both IHT and the P.C. felt that these matters would require legal advice. It was felt on both sides that legal advice was also required on point 3, and finally on point 4: (the exact status of the School's land) IHT was unclear and asked if there could be clarification from the school. It was felt that the school should be asked for further details and SC Cllr Steve Davenport be asked in his role as a School Governor. Cllr Pennington has written to both of the above parties, and Cllr Cast has been tasked with progressing the matter.

Cllr Cast has requested that he and the Clerk are copied in on any correspondence between the Football club and PH Dev with regards to the current development. The Chair reminded the meeting that other involved parties (currently the school and the Football club) should regularly be reminded that they need to raise funding for this project.

The Parish Clerk then rejoined the meeting.

In addition we were informed that Linda Higgins was asked by Cllr Helen Williams whether she would be willing to take Minutes of our Recreation Meetings. We believe John also contacted her in the past

Cllr Glenn Pennington

Our next zoom Recreation Partnership meeting on the 29th May, 2pm.

Action**396/05/20.C Ifton Heath School (this item was brought forward)**

Lucy Heath, Business Manager for Cornovii Developments Limited in Shrewsbury
We want to thank the Parish Council for taking the time to come back to us with your suggestions and comments, and for the support and assistance you have given to us throughout the consultation stage, we hope that the responses we have provided are satisfactory. We very much look forward to working alongside the Parish council as we progress the development and together deliver a successful housing scheme for the village.

397/05/20.C VAS

Deferred until the next meeting pending further information on costs of extending warranty on units from 2 to 5 years.

Parish Clerk

398/05/20.C Financial Matters Project**398/05/20.1.C Accounts for payment;**

There were no accounts for payment.

Highline Electrical had now supplied the following quotation for a street light in Orchard Close; They would propose the light to be situated outside number 2 to illuminate the junction of Orchard close and Cottage lane. The electricity service would need to be done by SP Energy networks as there are no parish lights close by to tap a supply off.

Proposal

Installation of 1x 5mtr galvanised street light column, 1x LED lantern
SP Energy Networks. 1 phase new supply (Budget cost due to SP not surveying)
COST £2,298.41 Plus VAT.

Agreed to defer a decision while Cllrs evaluate the best position for this light and the Parish Clerk checks budget figures.

As part of our Internal Audit, Audit Solutions had requested a copy of our Standing Orders, Financial Regulations and Risk Register which should be reviewed each year. As this had not been done due to the parish clerk's sick leave SALC had been asked to have a look at these to see if there were any updates from NALC.

These minor changes, mainly due to Covid-19, were presented to Cllr's and it was;

Proposed: Cllr Helen Williams **Seconded:** Cllr Andrew Cast

Resolved; to accept these minor changes, mainly on financial regulations.

Parish Clerk

399/05/20.C Planning

There were no new planning applications to consider.

Still outstanding

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.

There were no decisions taken by Shropshire Council since the last meeting.

400/05/20.C Facebook

Cllr Nina Mistry reported on progress so far which included very good feedback and a slowly growing. Already 127 page likes.

401/05/20.C Members Reports

Cllr Glenn Pennington reported a large pot hole on left hand side of main road as you approach St Martins from Escob bridge just before the school playing field.

Parish Clerk

Cllr Helen Williams reported that the Speed limit signs in this area been painted over in grey paint.

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Cllr Glenn Pennington reported that in Clarkes Lane the road surface about 100m from the nursery was breaking up in many places following the floods last month. Cllr Andrew Cast added that there had been an increase in traffic recently down this lane.

There were no other reports.

402/05/20.C Next Meeting(s)

The next video conference meeting would be held on Thursday 28th May at 16.00.

Parish Clerk

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 16.50

Signed Date

Chairman