

WEST HANNEY VIRTUAL PARISH MEETING

Held on Tuesday 19th May 2020

At 8pm

PRESENT: Cllrs David Corps (Chairman), Graham Garner, Eddie Wilkinson, Trevor Brettell, Peter Packham and Barbara Martin (Clerk)

ATTENDEES: J Stagg, Matthew Barber (District Councillor) and M Allen

APOLOGIES: None

10/20 Declaration of Interest

David Corps – has taken on an allotment on the WHPC allotment site.

11/20 Minutes of Last Meeting

The minutes of the last meeting were approved and the Chairman agreed to sign the minutes of the last meeting as a true copy,

12/20 Matters Arising from Minutes of Meeting Held on 14th April 2020

1. Tree Maintenance: - Graham Garner to look at trees lining the Causeway now they are in full leaf, and to report back if there are still some deadwood that still requires to be removal. David Corps is to look at the ‘coppiced’ horse chestnut that may require removal to allow the adjacent maple sapling to thrive.

13/20 Chairman’s Announcements

The Chairman stated that J Stagg editor of the Hanney News had asked if the Parish Council was prepared to donate £50 towards the printing costs of the Hanney History Group – Hanney History Walk leaflet. East Hanney Parish Council have already agreed to donate £100. This was discussed and the council agreed to donate £50.

14/20 Financial Report

The Financial Report was accepted as published.

15/20 District Councillor

Matthew Barber gave a brief overview of what was happening in area and said he would get updates for the council from the Planning Enforcement Department about the progress of the planning enforcement actions. Graham Garner asked Matthew about the Business Rates Relief Grant, but he had nothing further to report. Matthew Barber went on to say that he was pleased to able to make a grant of £1000 to the Hanney Covid-19 Community Response Committee, which has representatives from both East and West Hanney Parish Councils, to help meet the costs of responding to the Covid-19 crisis in the Hanneys. Matthew mentioned there was a small amount of

his grant fund remaining which could be applied for if further Covid-19 costs were incurred.

16/20 Wayleaves

The clerk said that she had not heard from SSE regarding the Wayleave for Headings Pond. After a discussion it was decided that the clerk would contact SSE and say we will accept a RPI increase in the rent every seven years. The Clerk was asked to check that the WHPC is getting the correct amount of wayleave payments for all the other SSE posts and installations on WHPC land.

17/20 SSE

Cllr Graham Garner reported that he had heard from Saville Projects, regarding access to the Nigel Eady Community Woodland and to the land north of St James Primary School owned by WHPC. They require access to work on the line of the electricity poles and overhead cables in these areas. Graham has asked them to liaise with Paul Sayers regarding access to the community woodland, although he does not think the work will be started until the autumn.

20/20 Neighbourhood Plan

Community First Oxfordshire (CFO) have appointed a new contact and they have received a copy of our Proposed Neighbourhood Development Plan. We have had problems contacting VofWHDC during the Covid-19 crisis about next steps and Matthew Barber said he would raise this concern with VofWHDC. We have some modifications to work through with CFO and then the next step is to discuss with the VofWHDC before the proposed plan is submitted for independent examination and then to a community referendum, which won't be held before May 2021.

21/20 Planning

P18/V1498/FUL – Variation of Condition 3 – to ensure safe and accessible footpaths to and from this development on land to the north of School Road – no change to report - a parishioner has lodged a formal complaint with VofWHDC about the handling of this Planning Application.

P19/V2480/HH - Retrospective change of use of Garage – Peter Packham advised that enforcement action is in progress to ensure the biodiversity mitigation conditions stipulated in the original Planning Application are met for this garage conversion and the wider development.

P16/V0637/FUL - The Orchard – enforcement action to remove anything non-agricultural from this area of land following completion of The Orchard development – the Covid-19 crisis has delayed this enforcement action and no updates have been received. Matthew Barber has already agreed to query the progress of this enforcement action with the enforcement and compliance officer involved.

22/20 Updating WHPC Website

There is a legal requirement for Parish Councils to have ‘accessible’ websites by September 2020. Graham Garner believes our website will need significant modification to meet these requirements and he will make enquiries whether this is something our website provider can help us achieve, whilst maintaining the existing character of the website.

23/20 Roles & Responsibility

The Chairman will circulate a list of the roles and responsibilities that it would be helpful to allocate to designated councillor(s). This will be discussed at our next meeting.

09/20 Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 30th June 2020 – Zoom Virtual Meeting 7.30pm - hosted by the Chairman
Tuesday 11th August 2020 – 7.30pm venue and type of meeting to be confirmed

Signed **Chairman**

Date