

Minutes of the virtual extraordinary meeting of Hulcott Parish Council held on Tuesday 19th January 2021

at 6:00 p.m. in accordance with The Local Authorities (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority Meetings) (England) Regulations 2020 which came into force on 4th April 2020

Present:

Councillors Peter Fenton-O’Creedy (Chairman), Ian Craigs, Heather Green, Andrew Harper, Bob Masini, Ian Pleeth, Deborah Roberts; Deborah O’Brien (Parish Clerk).

21. Apologies: none were received.

22. Declarations of Interest:

There were no new declarations of interest

23. Approval of the Minutes:

RESOLVED to agree that the minutes of the meetings on 10th September 2020 HPC/02/2021 and 15th December 2020 HPC/03/2021 were a true record and they were signed and dated by the Chairman and to be sent to the Clerk.

24. Matters arising from the September 7 December 2020 minutes - members noted:

- Broadband – Cllr Fenton-O’Creedy advised that E-com is progressing with the fibre installation and that connections to homes will be made as and when available. The cabinet installation is also awaited. Homeowners are funding this using available grant monies for rural fibre.
- A vote of thanks was made to Cllrs Masini & Craigs for their efforts in clearing vision splays, removing tree suckers and re-seeding.

25. Planning:

25.1 *New Applications considered:*

- 21/00056/APP | Detached Garage | Manor Farm Bungalow The Green **RESOLVED** that there are no objections provided that the location of the garage if no further forward than indicated on the submitted plans.
- 21/00033/APP | 21/00034/ALB | External and internal alterations to the existing house, demolition of existing outbuilding and with a new glazed link between farmhouse and dairy. Minor landscaping work to suit. | Grove Farm 22 Rowsham Road **RESOLVED** to support the application conditional upon the provision of adequate parking for the size of dwelling.

25.2 *Decisions made by AVA planning department:*

- 20/02289/APP | Proposed retention of former stable block as residential annex | Instant Landscapes Red Oak Farm – Approved by AVA

25.3 *Awaiting determination by AVA planning department:*

- 20/00779/APP | Ground mounted solar farm with DNO substation, point of connection, ancillary infrastructure and associated works, landscape planting and access tracks | Hale Farm Hulcott – Members are advised that the Environment Agency has made 3 objections to this proposal – flood plain, no flood risk assessment & ecological concerns
- 20/04019/AOP | Outline planning application Proposed development of 14 x two bedroom bungalows for senior living and 1 x three bed bungalow for managers dwelling | Aylesbury Golf Centre Ltd

26.0 Finance

26.1 *Bank Balances*

RESOLVED to note:

- Lloyds Bank £7,299.46 as of 31/12/20
- Green Fund Savings Account £252.36

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26.2 *Payments:*

Members **RESOLVED** to confirm the following cheques issued between meetings (delegated powers):

- Lynch Garden Services - £100.00 – mowing 16/9, 30/9 – cheque 413
- Ian Craigs - £15.00 – grass seed for verge – cheque 414

Members **RESOLVED** to agree the following cheques to be issued:

- D. O'Brien - £542.80 (net salary 12/9/20-29/1/21; stamps) – cheque 415
- HMRC - £27.40 – PAYE – Cheque 416
- SLCC - £122.00 – Annual membership and Principal fees – cheque 417

26.3 *Income received:*

Members **RESOLVED** to note:

- HMRC – VAT refund - £90.00
- Bucks. Unitary - 2nd ½ year Precept - £2,250.00

26.4 *2021/22 Budget:*

Members reviewed and discussed the draft budget submitted by the Clerk and **RESOLVED** to **approve** a budget for 2021/22 of £4,100.00 which is a reduction of £400 from 2020/21.

26.5 *2021/22 Precept request:*

Members reviewed the tax base for 2021/22 which is slightly reduced. **RESOLVED** to make a precept request for £4,100.00 which is an 8.69% reduction versus 2020/21 equating to £74.18/yr Band D tax equivalent. The Clerk will notify Buckinghamshire Unitary before 31 January 2021.

27.0 *Parish Council Business:*

- Gib Lane Community Fund – Members noted that the annual allocations were agreed at the 26 October meeting and confirmed by the Trust. Results can be viewed at [Gib Lane Community Fund Grants Awarded - Grantscape](#). Any community group or organisation may apply for funding and it does not appear that the monies ring fenced for broadband will now be required as residents have obtained alternative grant funding.
- Traffic calming on A418 – Members noted that the Clerk has written to TfB regarding this issue. Cllr Chapple followed up with TfB and the Road Safety Officer. Further feedback is awaited once their statistics are updated.
- Damage to the village green, triangle and verges – Cllr Masini advised that Power Networks will return to continue repairs once the weather improves. This will include topsoil and seed.
- Grass cutting for 2021/22 – members noted that a confirmation of pricing is awaited.
- Wendover Community Board – next meeting is 16th March 2021 at 7pm via MS teams. Members considered new name suggestions for the Community Board and **RESOLVED** to recommend: “Wendover Area Community Board”.
- Herts. Waste Local Plan consultation – members declined to respond.
- [Luton Airport Arrivals Consultation Document](#) – Cllr Fenton-O’Creevy to respond.
- [Aylesbury Gardenway consultation](#) – members declined to respond.
- Clerk’s annual appraisal and review – members noted that this is due by 2nd April 2021. Clerk to supply SLCC template forms to the Chairman.

28.0 *Dates of next meetings – Hulcott Parish Council:*

RESOLVED to **agree**: To hold the next meeting (virtual) at 6pm on Tuesday 23 March 2021.

For information:

- Transport for Bucks/Highways are due to reinspect drainage adjacent to Cobwebs utilising CCTV and to re-jet the existing drains 25/1/21. A ditch pipe adjacent to Hale Farm needs to be investigated.
- Cllr Harper advised that work is due to commence 21/1/21 on the Church utilising a £25,000 grant received.

Signed:

Date: