# Minutes of the Meeting of Fillongley Parish Council held at Fillongley Village Hall on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2020 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllr A Robert Pargetter (Chairman), Cllr C W Antrobus, Cllr S Onions, Cllr S Taylor, Cllr J Hooke, Cllr D Wardley, and Cllr A White. Clerk: Mrs H Badham.

There were 8 members of the public in attendance.

## **13533** AGENDA ITEM 1 APOLOGIES

No Apologies were received.

### **13534** AGENDA ITEM 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Chairman invited members who wished to do so to make declaration of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interest in respect of items on the agenda. Cllr Antrobus declared an interest in Agenda item 5f. Didgley Lane.

# 13535 AGENDA ITEM 3 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of the previous Council meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> December 2019 having been previously circulated and read, were then approved on the proposition of Cllr Hooke and seconded by Cllr Wardley. All were in favour.

# **13536** AGENDA ITEM 4 PROGRESS REPORTS for information

- a. Fields in Trust. The Declaration has been signed and sent to FiT.
- b. Lengthsman Training. Lengthsman is to supply his holiday dates so that the training can be arranged.
- c. Online payments. Completed documentation has been supplied to HSBC.
- d. VE Day 75 celebrations 8 10 May 2020. No further information regarding additional grant. Clerk has put information into the February/March magazine of plans so far.
- e. Corley Moor & Recreation Ground Hedges. Due to the continuing wet weather these have not been cut yet.
- f. Verge cutting. This has been mentioned in the forthcoming Parish Magazine.
- g. **Ash Removal**. Mini skip was not large enough. Cllr Onions proposed getting another skip, seconded by Cllr White. All in favour.
- h. **Changing Room Roof.** The roofer has been ill but hopefully the scaffolding will be erected next week and the roof replaced the week after.
- i. **Illuminated School sign/20mph zone.** Response received from WCC indicates that Bournebrook now meets the criteria for a Crossing Patrol at the school so will be recruiting swiftly and this person will be turning on the lights. They will then look at the 20mph zone.
- j. Warwickshire Mineral Plan Submission for Consultation. Fillongley not mentioned.
- k. Email response from Mr Cassidy. Noted.

#### **13537** *AGENDA ITEM 5 MATTERS FOR DECISION*

- a. **Request for support for Local Electricity Bill.** Cllr White proposed supporting the proposal, Seconded by Cllr Wardley. All in favour.
- b. **Govt consultation on unauthorised encampments.** Following discussion, Cllr Hooke proposed that the Clerk together with Cllr Wardley respond on behalf of the Council. Seconded by Cllr Onions. All in favour.
- c. **General Power of Competence (GPC).** Following research, the Council believe that they meet the eligibility criteria to have the GPC and as such, Cllr White proposed that the General Power of Competence should be adopted. This was Seconded by Cllr Wardley. All in favour.

- d. **VOiP telephone system.** The Clerk outlined basic research that could enable VOiP telephone thereby significantly reducing the telephone cost. Cllrs noted the information and asked for further detail but the budget to be left as current allocation until such time as changes are made.
- e. **Declaration of Office Book**. This will be £134 and will enable a durable record of Councillors service. Cllr White proposed that this be revisited in March so that if there were surplus budgeted funds it could be purchased then.

Cllr Antrobus left the room.

f. **Didgley Lane.** Having inspected the area, Cllr Antrobus had suggested that once the Avery Trust land is cleared that the brook is also dredged/deepened and the pipe is relaid at a lower point/culvert uncovered. This will enable the water to flow away from Didgely Lane which in turn will dry out the lane. Clerk explained that WCC are not prepared to do these works and whilst the Lengthsman has done some, it would be a more cost effective and comprehensive job if done by machinery. Cllr Antrobus is prepared to do this at cost which would be in the region of £300-£400. Cllr White proposed that he be asked to carry out the works with a cost not to exceed £400. Seconded by Cllr Hooke. All in favour.

Cllr Antrobus was invited back into the meeting.

## **13538** AGENDA ITEM 6 PUBLIC DISCUSSION

Meeting Closed. There was discussion regarding;

• Planning application at Village Farm land Meeting re-opened.

# 13539 AGENDA ITEM 7 CORRESPONDENCE

- a. WALC training course "Cemetery Management and Compliance" 17/09/2020 £30. Cllr Onions proposed that the Clerk do the course, Seconded by Cllr Wardley. All in favour.
- b. **Royal Garden Party nominations.** Cllr White nominated Cllr Wardley to be put forward into the draw, seconded by Cllr Antrobus. All in favour.
- c. **Velo email.** Noted. Both arguments for and against the Velo were discussed. Roads are closed for less time than last year. Clerk has already written to request better marshalling.
- d. WCC Road Closure Tippers Hill Lane 3-7/02. Noted.
- e. Highways England update. Noted.
- f. Query re Courts Coaches site. Clerk to contact developer regarding siting of the drainage.

#### To consider the following **Planning Applications**:

**PAP/2019/0681** Red Hill House, Coventry Road, Fillongley. Two storey side extension and car port. *No objections*.

**PAP/2019/0690** Rose Cottage, Meriden Road. Construction of a 20m x 40m menage. *No objections*. Reconsultations;

**PAP/2019/0602 & 603** Kinwalsey House, Kinwalsey Lane, Meriden. Conversion and replacement of barn to form one dwelling and proposed lean-to extensions to cottage and associated works. *No objections*.

**PAP/2018/0294** Land at Village Farm, Coventry Road, Fillongley. Outline application (all matters reserved) for the demolition of all modern farm buildings into 2 dwellings and erection of 5 new dwellings, garage block, parking areas and other associated works. *Objections*.

#### To receive the following **Planning Determinations**;

PAP/2019/0568 1 Sandy Lane Fillongley. Erection Of Front, Side And Rear Extensions. *Granted*.

**Ongoing Planning Infringement issues.** No response received from NWBC regarding any of the properties:

- Land behind sewage works, Tamworth Road
- 15 Shawbury Lane
- Woodcorner Farm

# 13540 AGENDA ITEM 8 TO SET THE PRECEPT FOR YEAR 2020-21

There was much discussion with regard to the precept for 2020/21, figures for the current year having been previously circulated. It was decided to include an amount towards continuing to employ a Parish Lengthsman should the WCC funding finish in 2021. Cllr Antrobus proposed a precept of £22,000. Seconded by Cllr White. All in favour.

#### **13541** *AGENDA INTEM 9 FINANCE*

| Payee                   | Reason                  | Nett    | Reclaimable VAT | Gross   | Method     |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|---------|-----------------|---------|------------|
| H Badham                | SCP 21 December         |         |                 |         | Chq 100581 |
| L Judge-Porter          | Manpower December       |         |                 |         | Chq 100582 |
| HMRC                    | Tax                     |         |                 |         | Chq 100583 |
| NWBC                    | Grounds Maintenance     | 243.57  | 48.71           | 292.28  | Chq 100584 |
| Tom White Waste         | Skip hire               | 83.33   | 16.67           | 100.00  | Chq 100585 |
| Fillongley Village Hall | Sec 109                 | 1000.00 |                 | 1000.00 | Chq 100586 |
| H Badham                | Cemetery gift (Memorial | 12.00   |                 | 12.00   | Cem Chq    |
|                         | Garden)                 |         |                 |         | 100005     |

Proposal to pay items listed by Cllr White, Seconded by Cllr Taylor. All in favour.

# 13542 AGENDA ITEM 10 COUNCILLORS REPORTS and items for future agenda

- a. **Community Award**. Cllr Hooke will invite guests from 3pm on 1<sup>st</sup> March.
- b. **Coventry Housing.** Cllr Pargetter spoke regarding the new housing proposed on the borders of Coventry and the land that has been removed from the Green Belt around Coventry. Support was expressed for Allesley Parish Council in fighting new housing in the Green Belt.

## **13543** AGENDA ITEM 10 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is to be on Thursday 20 February 2020.

## **13544** *AGENDA ITEM 11 VILLAGE HALL BUSINESS*

- Lease extension United Trust of William Avery & Others (Avery Trust). Trustees had met with the Estates Committee of the Avery Trust. Avery Trustees will be writing to the Charity Commission to inform them of their wish to grant a new lease for the VH at peppercorn rent. VH Committee have proposed an area for which to apply for the new lease over. Cllrs Pargetter and Antrobus abstained from voting with regard to this but it was agreed by the remaining VH Trustees. Cllr Wardley further proposed that a 50 year lease be sought. Seconded by Cllr White. All in favour. Clerk to communicate the Trustees wishes to the Avery Trustees.
- Potholes. It was noted that the pot holes in the car park are in the non-leased area of the Village Hall land, therefore coming under the responsibility of the United Trust of William Avery and Others. Clerk to request that these are filled forthwith.
- Wages. (Closed meeting). Following discussion and in-line with National minimum wage increases, Cllr White proposed an increase in wages for Mrs Jane Moore and Mrs Hannah Butler.

| Payee              | Reason                         | Nett   | VAT   | Gross  | Method     |
|--------------------|--------------------------------|--------|-------|--------|------------|
| Cancelled          | Cancelled                      |        |       |        | Chq 100800 |
| J Moore            | Village Hall bookings/Manpower |        |       |        | Chq 100801 |
| H Butler           | Manpower                       |        |       |        | Chq 100802 |
| Cancelled          |                                |        |       |        | Chq 100803 |
| John Astley & Sons | Cleaning materials             | 105.49 | 21.09 | 126.58 | Chq 100804 |

Invoices presented; Cllr Wardley proposed approval and payment, seconded by Cllr Taylor. All in favour.

