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GODSHILL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Virtual¹ Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 13th April 2021 at 7.30 pm.

Present:

Cllr Fell - Chairman

Cllr Cakebread

Cllr O'Brien

Cllr Williams

Cllr Woodward

Mrs Bev Cornish – Clerk

Five members of the public

Prior to the start of the meeting, Cllr Fell made a brief statement on behalf of the Council expressing its sadness on the death of HRH Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, conveying condolences to HM The Queen and acknowledging his 73 years of public service to the nation. A one minute's silence followed.

Public Session:

A member of the public explained their plans to replace the footpath gates on her land with kissing gates and one stile (which would comprise two steps and two posts for ease of use) as the existing gates were not able to be repaired. She asked whether the gates could form part of the Parish Council's project to enhance access to the countryside.

Ms Catherine Andrews, Deputy General Manager at Sandy Balls Holiday Centre, gave a brief update on Sandy Balls's re-opening after the lockdown. She said that the holiday centre was busy with welcoming guests back to the Centre and to ensuring their safety.

Cllr Fell thanked her for attending the meeting.

Litter Warden: Mrs Boyd said that she had nothing to report.

183.20 To resolve to refer any business raised by the public in public discussion, and any other matters or items of information from councillors, to a future meeting or to resolve to agree on any other action: In response to the request to include kissing gates at St Giles's Farm in the Council's project to enhance access to the countryside, Cllr Fell proposed, Cllr Cakebread second and it was RESOLVED that the Clerk would include the gates within the application for grant funding through the Rural Communities Fund.

184.20 To receive apologies for absence: The Clerk reported that apologies had been received from Cllr Pomphrey due to a personal commitment and Cllr Phillips due to a work commitment. Cllr Fell proposed from the Chair and it was RESOLVED that the apologies and the reasons for them be accepted. Apologies had also been received from District Cllr Emma Lane as she was attending another meeting.

¹ In accordance with the Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020

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185.20 Declarations of Interest:

- a. **To receive Declarations of Interest in respect of matters contained in this agenda, in accordance with the provisions of the Localism Act 2011 in respect of members and in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1972 in respect of officers:**

Cllrs O'Brien, Williams and Woodward declared a personal and non-pecuniary interest in the Premises Licence Application for Street Farm House.

- b. **To consider any Dispensation Requests received by the Parish Clerk and not previously considered:** The Clerk confirmed that she had received no dispensation requests.

186.20 To resolve to approve the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 9th March 2021: Cllr Fell proposed, Cllr O'Brien seconded and it was RESOLVED that the Minutes be approved and signed as a true record by the Chairman with an amendment to include a declaration of interest for Cllr Woodward in the planning application for Culverhay.

187.20 To resolve to note Clerk's Report providing information on recent issues and work completed: Cllr Fell proposed from the Chair and it was RESOLVED that the Clerk's report be noted as follows:

Litter Warden: Feb 20 Mtg: Cricket Pitch Bin: No further progress on this.

25.20: Parking at Entrance to Newgrounds: The Clerk has chased Sean Marsh.

36.20: Footpath 772: No response from the Countryside Access Team on the Footpath repair. Clerk has chased again.

58.20: British Telecommunications plc EIR Request: No response has been received from BT regarding the number of visits for repairs to DSLAM Cabinet outside Godshill Village Hall, SP6 2LH.

172.20: Risks of General Power of Competence: The Clerk advised that her Clerk network have advised that their councils don't have specific risks for GPoC but one has a committee which reviews spending under GPoC before the end of the Financial Year.

181.20 AOB: Census: The Clerk sent an email reminder regarding the completion of the census to all residents on the Parish Council's circulation list.

188.20 Planning and Tree Work Applications:

Planning Application: 21/00199

St Giles's Farm, Southampton Road, Godshill - Application under Part 6 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 in respect of the siting, design and appearance of 3no. greenhouses; 2no. rainwater harvesting tanks; cladding to existing Barn: Cllr Fell advised that the New Forest National Park Authority had already determined this application and given its approval.

Tree Works Application: CONS/21/0170

Hidden Oak, Well Lane, Godshill - Prune 1 x Apple tree, Deadwood 1 x Cherry tree (exempt - information only) Prune 1 x group mixed hedge species, Fell 1 x group of 4 Holly trees, Fell 1 x Acer tree, Fell 1 x Cherry tree, Fell 1 x Hazel, Fell 1 x Willow tree: Following a brief report from Cllr Cakebread, Cllr Fell proposed, Cllr Cakebread seconded and it was RESOLVED that the decision on this application be left to the Tree Officer.

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189.20 Licensing Act 2003 - Grant of Premises Licence (S17)

Premises: Street Farm House, Southampton Road, Godshill –

The details of the application for a premises licence are as follows:

Grant of a premises licence for the sales of alcohol on and off to guests during their stay, from 08:00hrs to 23:00hrs, Monday to Saturday, 08:00hrs to 22:00hrs Sunday. Opening times the same: Following a brief discussion, Cllr Fell proposed from the Chair and it was RESOLVED that no objection be raised on this application.

190.20 To resolve to approve the Lead Parish and Associate Parish Agreement with Fordingbridge Town Council for the Lengthsman: Cllr Fell proposed, Cllr Cakebread seconded and it was RESOLVED that the Agreement be approved.

To resolve to approve the draft letter to be sent to 10 local parishes and the Police & Crime Commissioner candidates to garner their support on the issue of Average Speed Cameras on the B3078 Project: Cllr Fell proposed, Cllr Woodward seconded and it was RESOLVED that the letter be approved with the suggestion of a minor amendment stating that 'the majority of these organisations are supporting this project with Hampshire Police needing more time to assess its impact' for the reason that Godshill Parish Council understood through County Cllr Edward Heron that Hampshire Police was moving towards support the installation of average speed cameras on the B3078.

At this point in the meeting Cllr Fell proposed from the Chair and it was RESOLVED that the meeting be opened to the public.

191.20 To consider and resolve to agree on the issues to be raised with the management of Sandy Balls at the forthcoming meeting: Following a brief discussion and consideration of the issues of noise and light pollution being raised by a member of the public, Cllr Fell proposed, Cllr Woodward seconded and it was RESOLVED that there were no key issues on which the councillors needed to meet with the management of Sandy Balls at what was a busy time for the company. Cllr Fell asked the resident to keep the Clerk informed of issues so that these could be raised when members next meeting the management so that those issues could be raised at that time.

Cllr Fell closed the meeting to the public.

192.20 To resolve to approve the date of the Annual Meeting and Annual Parish Council meeting as Tuesday 4th May 2021 to enable them to held virtually on Zoom: Cllr Fell proposed, Cllr Woodward seconded and it was RESOLVED that the dates of the meetings be approved.

193.20 To resolve to agree on any further action to be taken on the restoration of verges in the parish: Following a brief discussion on the various sites which could be considered for restoration, Cllr Fell proposed from the Chair and it was RESOLVED that councillors will speak to the residents of the properties identified and those discussions will be reported back to the Council in due course for further discussion and further actions as deemed appropriate.

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194.20 To resolve to approve the following payments:

£90 - HCI Data Limited - Maintenance of the .gov.uk domain name.

Cllr Fell proposed, Cllr Woodward seconded and it was RESOLVED that the payment be approved.

195.20 Finance and Policy:

a. To resolve to approve the sum of £683.96 as the Accounts for payment for April:

	£	Cheque No.
HCI Data Ltd	90.00	100694
B Cornish – April salary	339.16	100695
HM Revenue & Customs	254.80	100696

Cllr Fell proposed, Cllr Woodward seconded and it was RESOLVED that the accounts for payment be approved.

b. To resolve to approve the Bank balances - Cheque and Reserve Accounts:

Balances to be Approved and Noted as at 13.04.21

Current Account: £13,019.77 Deposit Account: £581.12

Cllr Fell proposed, Cllr O'Brien seconded and it was RESOLVED that the balances be approved and noted.

196.20 Outside Bodies and Representation:

Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan: Cllr Woodward gave a brief report on a recent 3 hour workshop which he said had been very comprehensive. The purpose of the workshop was to assist a Sustrans and Ramblers project to enable the gaps to be filled across districts and counties in cycleways and walkways/footpaths so that there could be reduced level of vehicle usage when people go out for a walk or a cycle ride. He gave some examples of Burley, Fordingbridge and Abbotswell which were good locations for walkers and cyclists but currently they were not well linked for people to access only by bicycle or on foot.

A consultation document will be produced from the workshop which will inform the project.

Woodgreen Road Roadworks: Cllr Fell gave a detailed report on the recent major roadworks carried out to Woodgreen Road. He said that Hampshire Highways was working with Bournemouth Water to plug a leak which had resulted in water flowing down the road which had caused significant damage. The work involved trying to establish the location of the main leak and any other leaks and then to divert piping away from the road. He said that work was ongoing and once the work by Bournemouth Water had been completed, Hampshire Highways would resurface the road.

Speed Indicator Devices: Cllr Woodward gave a brief report from the data downloaded from the Council's SIDs which had been in place for a year. He said the good news was that the data seemed to suggest that on the whole most people actually observe the speed limit. However, one of the SIDs had recorded a vehicle travelling at a speed 106 mph at 4 am in the morning.

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197.20 To resolve to note the Correspondence received: Cllr Fell proposed from the Chair and it was RESOLVED that the following items of correspondence be noted:

1. NFDC
 - Press Release and condolences on death of HRH Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh.
 - Press Release advising that Councillor Barry Rickman has resigned as Leader of the Council with immediate effect and that Edward Heron had taken over as Acting Leader.
2. NFNPA – New Forest Action Plan from Linda Palmer.
3. Hampshire Association of Local Councils – An advice note on the holding of the Annual Meeting prior to the ceasing of legislation to hold virtual meetings ie prior to 7th May.
4. PKF Littlejohn - HA0114 Godshill Parish Council (New Forest) - 2020/21 AGAR and external auditor instructions.
5. St Mary's Fordingbridge – an email from Canon Gary Philbrick about commemoration arrangements ahead of the Duke of Edinburgh's funeral.
6. Census update and a reminder to complete it.
7. A thank you letter from the Hants and IOW Air Ambulance and email from Sarah Kinsley fund for parish grants.
8. Parishioners – Various emails regarding works in Woodgreen Road.
9. A Parishioner – An email with further information on kissing gates on footpaths and offering to work with the parish council to deliver them.
10. A Parishioner – An email querying housing in Woodfalls in the Wiltshire Local Plan Review.

198.20 Any Other Business:

Next NW Quadrant Meeting: Cllr Woodward advised that he would be attending the next meeting at which he would be raising the issues of climate change, 56 day camping sites and the NPA's views on solar installations.

199.20 Next meeting: Cllr Fell confirmed the date of the next virtual meeting as Tuesday 4th May 2021 to be held on Zoom.

200.20

With no other business, the meeting closed at 9.15pm.

Members of the Council considered the foregoing in the matters in consideration of their duties: Equal Opportunities, (race, gender, sexual orientation, marital status and any disability); Crime & Disorder, Health & Safety, and Human Rights.