

MINUTES OF MEETING OF GRANDBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL
Tuesday 7th March 2017, 7.45 pm

Members of public spoke on items on the agenda before the meeting commenced. Mr and Mrs Patmore, spoke on their planning applications for Top House Farm, Broadwell Road, Grandborough Fields, and their wish to renovate and restore the listed building to its former glory.

Ms J Harris asked for an update on the progress of the work required on the War Memorial, and provision of a Neighbourhood Plan. Response to both items appear under their headings on the agenda.

1. **Members Present:** Cllr. R Hastie (Chairman), Cllrs. H McBreen, R Lee, C Billsborrow and M Bullen, and Cty Cllr. H Roberts, Mr and Mrs Patmore and Ms Harris.
2. **Apologies for Absence** received from Cllr. E Crane (RBC)
3. **Cllr. H Roberts** reported on his attendance at the public enquiry re' the housing development in Ashlawn Road. Developers have plans to move the road nearer to the statue at the Dunchurch traffic lights, to make an extra traffic lane.
4. **Declaration of Interests** – none made.
5. **Minutes of Meeting held 3rd January 2017** circulated to councillors and signed a true record.
6. **Matters Arising from the Minutes:**
 - a) **Flood Risk Management** – Landowner concerned has agreed to clear the ditch in Hill Road. WCC have now agreed the responsibilities and ownership of the ditches between the entrance to Grange Farm and The Low House in Hill Road. WCC will commence work, probably in April, to clear the ditches and send the Parish Council an appropriate invoice. Approximately 11% of the ditches belong to residents. WCC have 'gushed' the pipe work involved.
 - b) **War Memorial** – Parish Council agreed to fund the balance by up to £500. Cllr. Hastie reported that Grandborough Broadband, had kindly agreed to fund the rest of the project. Work to commence when weather improves. The War Memorial will be cleaned, repointed lettering replaced, 'MM' initials replaced with the correct size, and all lettering painted black. Cost £1350.
 - c) **Local Tax Support Funding**. RBC confirm the preferred choice was Option 2, to continue to reduce the funding in line with the government reductions in RSG to RBC..
 - d) **Parish Council Nominative Trustees to Village Hall**. Cllr. Hastie confirmed their agreement and appointment of Ms Jo Harris and Mr Chris Barfield as the two new Nominative Trustees. Term of office is for four years.
 - e) **Parish Plan- Action List**. Cllr. Hastie presented the Action List in order of priority.
 - Neighbourhood Plan** The Parish Council had already agreed to compile a Neighbourhood Plan. Cllrs. to attend a WALC Training Day on the subject in May.
 - Play Equipment on Open Space** RBC will visit and inspect both possible sites and recommend which is more suitable and the type of equipment that can realistically be installed. Cllr. Bullen agreed to lead this item.
 - Survey of all Pavements** Cllr. Lee agreed to lead this item.
 - Meetings of Groups** Cllr. Hastie agreed to compile a list of dates for the various suggested groups and publish them in the next PC Newsletter.
 - Provision of Passing Place signs in Hill Road** Agreed to write to Cllr. Howard with proposals, for him to take to WCC. Cllr. Billsborrow not keen on further signs.
 - Cycling Clubs** Cllr. Billsborrow agreed to contact the various local cycling clubs with the concerns of residents re' cyclists.
 - Broadband and Mobile Telephones** Work ongoing.
 - Community Shop** Cllr. Hastie to contact one resident who thought they may have suitable premises.
 - Newspapers** Cllr. Hastie had offered the use of his front porch. He agreed to contact Dunchurch Newsagents to see if they would deliver the order to the village.
 - Survey Results** to be publicised.
7. **Highways** – Some potholes on Woolscott Road repaired.
8. **Footpaths** – Nothing to report

9. Planning

- a) Application for Listed Building Consent for the repair and alteration of an existing dwelling to include the demolition of an existing conservatory and outbuilding and the erection of a two storey rear extension and a single storey side extension, at Top House Farm, Broadwell Road, Grandborough, for Mr J Patmore. R17/0220
- b) Planning application for repair and alteration of existing Listed Building to include demolition of an existing conservatory and outbuilding and the erection of a two storey rear extension and a single storey side extension, at Upper Grandborough Fields Farm – Top House Farm, Broadwell Road, Grandborough for Mr J Patmore. R16/0163. Councillors viewed the plans and unanimously agreed that any attempts to restore a Listed Building back to its former glory, were to be encouraged and therefore they fully supported the applications. RBC to be notified.
- c) Planning application for variation of condition 2 and 3 of previously approved planning permission R12/0960, to refer to amended phasing plan and variation of conditions: 7,8,9, 10, 12,13,14,19,20,21,22,23,24,25,16,27,28 and 30 to allow for the hibernacula and refuge to be provided prior to submission of details, at land at Onley Fields Farm, Daventry Road, Willoughby, (Barby Pools Marina), for Mr J Oliver. R17/0079 Councillors had no objections.
- d) Planning application for erection of a single storey rear extension at 14 Aikman Green, Grandborough, for Ms A Quirie. R17/0266 No objections received.

10. **Lighting** Notice given of an increase in electricity prices.

11. Accounts

- a) Payment authorised of:
 - £124.66 to E.ON for energy to 31.12.16 (718)
 - £180.00 to W.S. Gardens Ltd, January 'Lengthsman' invoice (719)
 - £22.50 to Mr R Hastie for printing of December PC Newsletter (720)
 - £2312.96 to 'Mode Transport', our donation to SALFV (721) (Name of company to be confirmed) £1927.47, plus £385.49 VAT)
 - £29.00 to Mrs D Malley for second half year payroll services (722)
 - £795.00 to Mrs K E Worrall (inc. increase) for half yearly salary (723)
 - £15.30 to Mrs K E Worrall for expenses (postage) (724)
- b) Bank balance is £6707.65 and includes above payments
- c) Agreed to renew the payroll services contract for Mrs D Malley, at £63.50
- d) Mr A Grant appointed our Internal Auditor
- e) Membership card to CPRE received

12. Correspondence

- a) WALC Annual Briefing Day- no-one able to attend
- b) WALC Training Courses. Agreed all Councillors would attend the 'Neighbourhood Plans' training on Saturday 20th May. Cllr. Bullen unable to attend due to being away on holiday. Other Councillors to confirm to the Clerk if they were able to attend.
- c) WCC DRAFT 'Rural Growth Plan'. No further action.
- d) Cllrs. agreed to the request from Mrs L Bramley to use the large gate on the Open Space to access her fence for repair work on Saturday 11th March.

13. **Date of Next Meeting** – Annual Meeting of Electors on Tuesday 2nd May 2017, at 7.45pm, followed by the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council at 8.15 pm approximately. Meeting to approve the end of year accounts and the Annual Return Form provisionally made for 25th April.

14. **Mowing of Aikman Green** Agreed to increase the mowing of Aikman Green by W S Gardens Ltd to weekly, at an additional cost of £50 per cut. In the event of very dry weather, the contractors were expected to use their discretion, and only mow if necessary.

15. **Housing White Paper – Flood Risk** To be an item on the next agenda

Chairman:

Date:

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