Potterspury Parish Council

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MINUTES of the meeting of Potterspury Parish Council held remotely on Wednesday 8 April 2020 at 7:30pm by Video Conference

in accordance with The Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panels Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020 No.392 dated 4 April 2020 (Coronavirus Regulations 2020)

Councillors present: Dr S Parkin (Chair), Mrs J Millidge (Vice Chair), Mr R Kilvert, Mr R Armstrong, Mr M Wootton, Mr G Lucas, Mr S Norris, Mrs B Silvester, Mr R Capps, Mr S Dring, Mrs J Blunden.

Parish Clerk: Mrs J Spence.

Apologies: Cllr Rev Whittaker (Church commitment).

County Cllr A Walker, District Cllr A Medina and Mr C Coppin NHW Coordinator also sent their apologies.

5779	APOLOGIES: It was resolved to approve the apologies for absence from Cllr Whittaker.	
5780 (i)	MINUTES: It was resolved to approve as a true record the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 11 March 2020, which were duly signed by the Chair.	
(ii) (iii)	It was resolved to approve as a true record the Minutes of the Parish Council Planning Meeting held on 25 March 2020, which were duly signed by the Chair. It was resolved to approve as a true record the Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on 1 April 2020, which were duly signed by	
	the Chair.	
5781 (i) (ii)	MATTERS ARISING: Annual Parish Assembly due to be held today, will now be held on 13 May 2020. Annual Meeting due to be held 13 May 2020: It was resolved to postpone the 2020 Annual Meeting in accordance with the above Coronavirus Regulations 2020 Section 6(c) until a future date to be agreed or May 2021, whichever is sooner.	
(iii)	Parish Council Elections planned for 7 May 2020 have been cancelled.	
5782 (i) (ii)	DECLARATION OF INTEREST UNDER THE COUNCIL'S CODE OF CONDUCT: Cllr Millidge - cheque reimbursement of expenses Minute 5787 (v). Cllr Silvester - Village Organisations (Village Hall Committee) Minute 5788 (iii).	
5783	MINUTES ACTION REPORT: Noted.	
5784	PUBLIC FORUM: Mr Craig Coppin – NHW Coordinator provided a report by email: Latest crime figures not available as the Police website is focusing on Covid-19. Scams include: Coronavirus; HMRC; postal and delivery. Since the March meeting, vans have been broken into and tools and contents stolen. Suspicious activity in Meadow View playing field and car park, including breaches of the Government lockdown and anti-social behaviour. The PC expressed thanks to Mr Coppin for his helpful and pro-active posting on Facebook since during the Coronavirus crisis.	
5785	PLANNING Planning Applications:	
(i) (a)	S/2020/0435/FUL Installation of a septic tank and siting of a static caravan. East Pury,	

	Furtho Lane. It was resolved to submit a response to SNC of objection on the grounds: This is a development in open countryside with no justification and nothing to support its use. No smallholding work has been or is being undertaken and there is no evidence it is required other than to eventually turn the temporary accommodation into a permanent residence. There are concerns that if permission is granted it will result in linear development and increased traffic along the bridleway (public right of way). The PC are also concerned that the development will not be in support of onsite horticulture but general trading.	
(b)	S/2020/0443/FUL Single storey rear extension. West Lodge, Wakefield Lodge Estate. It was resolved to submit a comment that the exterior should be of stone to be sympathetic to the existing building and existing street scene.	
(ii) (a) (b) (c)	Planning Decisions: S/2020/0056/FUL Roof windows install into roof line (retrospective), 24 Woods Lane. Refusal 16/03/2020. <i>Noted.</i> S/2019/2478/FUL Tree house to rear. 26 Blackwell End. Approval 18/03/2020. <i>Noted.</i> S/2019/2419/FUL Full planning permission for the conversion of existing agricultural barn to form dwelling. Pinchgut Farm, Watling Street. Approval 27/03/2020. Noted.	
(iii)	Other Planning Matters: On 30/03/2020 SNC Planning advised that hard copy planning application consultations to PCs had ceased and will only be sent via email due to Covid-19 restrictions. Cllr Lucas advised that he therefore wished to stand-down as Planning Consultant.	
5786 (i)	PLAY AREAS Inspection Reports: February-March: Meadow View: Cllr Blunden submitted her report by post to the Clerk.	
(ii)	Closures: On 23/03/2020 at 10:30pm, following instructions from the Government, all play areas were closed and locked and "closed" signs erected. Notification of the closures were reported on the PC website and Facebook.	
(iii)	Meadow View Playing Field: The outdoor gym equipment, swings and picnic bench areas are also closed for public use, also reported on PC website and Facebook. It was resolved to place additional "closed" signs on this equipment.	JM
(iv)	Inspection Reports: March-April: Meadow View – Cllr Wootton. Mays Way, Village Hall, Blackwell End – Cllr Norris. Following Government instructions regarding self-isolation, social isolation and the play area closures, no inspections were done. It was resolved that whilst these Government instructions remain in place there will be no play area equipment inspections by Councillors until further notice.	
(v)	It was resolved to thank residents via Facebook, the PC website and The Old Mail, who have abided by the Government instructions and not used the play areas and equipment.	JM
5787 (i)	FINANCE Budget Report: It was resolved to accept the Budget Report. It was resolved that Clir Norris and the Clerk will prepare a reserves report.	SN JS
(ii) (a) (b) (c)	Bank Balances: Total £62,400.06. Lloyds Current: £21,589.73 (31/03/2020). Lloyds Deposit: £40,810.33 (31/03/2020). Funds Transfer: £15,010.17 Deposit to Current (including interest) on 16/03/2020.	
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)	D Whittaker: Test online transfer to be deducted from next payment: £5.00					
)	Potterspury Recreation Ground: It was resolved to approve the cheque payment to Shield Total Insurance £159.85 for allotment insurance 2020/2021.					
	Payme	ents:				
	Invoice	s verified by Cllr Kilvert prior to meeting. Cheques	written and	d issued b	y Cllr	
	Norris,	following signature by two signatories.				
	It was	resolved to approve the payments as listed.				
	Chq	PAYEE	Net £	VAT £	Total £	
	3104	J Spence: Clerk salary March	687.24	0.00	687.24	
	3105	J Spence: Clerk mileage £29.70 & office £77.70 March	107.40	0.00	107.40	
	3107	HMRC: PAYE £171.80 & Employer NI £19.32 March	191.12	0.00	191.12	
	3108	B Osborne: Payroll services January-March (6234)	64.50	0.00	64.50	
	3109	A Stockton: Litter picking March	80.00	0.00	80.00	
	3110	DNH Contracts: Dog bins March (1447)	64.56	12.91	77.47	
	3115	J Millidge: reimbursement various	43.25	4.65	47.90	
		Microsoft: Teams audio conference license (Chq R Capps)	0.00	0.00	0.00	
	3111	Instantprint: Covid Volunteers leaflets (Chq E James)	35.99	0.00	35.99	
	3112	RTM Landscapes: Tree works (2187)	3850.00	770.00	4620.00	
	3113	RTM Landscapes: Grounds contract mowing (2213)	590.00	118.00	708.00	
	3114	R Phillips: Village Handyman labour & materials (0015)	434.48	23.40	457.88	
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	It was resolved that Cllr Parkin and Cllr Millidge will respond to the consultations.	
5791	Next Parish Council meetings Wednesday 13 May 2020 to be held remotely by video conference: 7:00pm Annual Parish Assembly 7:30pm Parish Council Meeting	
	Please check PC website for updates – www.potterspurypc.org.uk	
	The Chair closed the meeting at 9:15pm	
	JS 17/04/2020	

Signed	Mi	Date	16	May 2020