

CRUDWELL PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

Tues 5th January 2021 7 p.m.

Present: Cllr P Gilchrist (Chair), Cllr T Fraser (Vice Chair), Cllr R Lambley,
Cllr G Lawes, Cllr N Doel, Cllr A Stewart, Ward Councillor C Berry (Wilts Council)

Clerk: Lisa Dent

1 member of the public

The Public and Press are cordially invited to be present. The order of business may be varied. All members of the Council are hereby summoned to attend for the purpose of considering and resolving upon the business to be transacted at the meeting as set out below.

PUBLIC SPEAKING – 10 MINUTES IF REQUESTED

1. Meeting opened at 7.18 pm by Chairman Peter Gilchrist, who informed it was being recorded to assist in producing Minutes and all present welcomed. The member of the public declined to take part in public speaking. Apologies received from Cllrs J Stanford and S Grainger.

It was noted that Cllr Credicott had resigned from Crudwell Parish Council prior to the meeting and the Clerk confirmed the vacancy has been registered with Wiltshire Council Elections Dept.

2. Declarations of Interest to items on the agenda – Cllr Lawes, Cllr Stewart – see Planning

3. To approve Minutes of the Parish Council meeting from Weds 2nd December 2020 meeting

1. It was proposed that the above Minutes were approved, and Chair will sign and return to Clerk. Clerk to upload on website.	Proposed by: TF Seconded: RL All present in favour.
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4. Matters Arising December 2020

Cllr Doel Co-option	Inform Elections Wilts Council of Co-Option,	Clerk Completed
Cllr Doel Co-option	Dec of Interests uploaded to Wilts Council website	Clerk Completed
Cllr Doel Co-option	Terms of Office declaration to be completed – Clerk / Cllr Doel	Completed
Eastcourt signage replacement Flistridge Rd, Minety/Eastcourt	Reported by JS on Wilts Council App.	Awaiting confirmation from JS, rollover to next meeting
Chelworth Road Surface	GL to contact M Perrot at Wilts Council	GL to email M Perrott/Wilts Council.
Speeding/speedwatch	PG/Ollie Phipps	See Parish Matters
Cancelled cheques	Clerk to inform Lloyds Bank	Completed
Precept request form	Submit to Wilts Council - Clerk	Completed
Solar Farm	To forward Aura developments website link to Cllr Doel to review drainage and site proposal from an agricultural viewpoint.	ND had reviewed website proposals and confirmed there are drainage arrangements in place.
Solar Farm	Clerk To contact Clerk at Kemble Parish Council to initiate liaison process	Clerk had made contact.
WALPA Meeting	RL to attend	Attended by RL, who will feedback to Mayor of Malmesbury some information re lobbying.
Trees	Removal – R Wilson	See Parish Matters
Trees	Treeworks to No 8 (ID Verde contacted)	See Parish Matters
Roundabout	Accept quotation for replacement bearing	TF Order placed.
Rommel Lane PG/TF/GL and ND	Plan to progress	PG/TF/ND & GL to convene Zoom meeting to finalise requirements for production of map.

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Crudwell Right of Way	GL to progress	We await a response. Agreed to remove this item from agenda until response received.
Murcott Gullies	RL to Clerk to inform	Reported.
Defib pads Village Hall	Date required for replacement – AS to Clerk	AS advised pads to defib at Village Hall require replacement March 21 and Clerk will order.
ANPR speeding devices	PG to discuss with Ollie Phipps	See Parish Matters

5. Finance

(1) Current bank balances At 28th Dec 20 - Treasurers £12,033.75 Bus Bank £16,947.14

(2) Accounts for payment

		Net	VAT	Total
Microsoft	Annual Subscription – DEBIT CARD	£49.99	£10.00	£59.99
McAfee	Annual Subscription – DEBIT CARD	£74.99	£15.00	£89.99
Zoom	Monthly subscription – DEBIT CARD	£14.39		£14.39
Clerk	Dec 2020	£260.27		£260.27
HMRC	Deduct from above	£14.80		£14.80
Broadbean Aug	£40 My Crudwell/WOIC - £60 NHP	£100		£100
Broadbean Sept	My Crudwell - WOIC	£30		£30
Broadbean Oct	My Crudwell - WOIC	£20		£20
Broadbean Nov	My Crudwell - WOIC	£20		£20
Vision	Reg 16/Examiners Report	£1000	£200	£1200
		£1584.44	£225.00	£1809.44
It was proposed by GL and seconded by TF and all present were in favour that the above invoices are paid.				

Vision invoice was expected as part of planned expenses for Reg 16/examiners report. RL confirmed all work completed and within budget. It was confirmed the hourly rate for this invoice was at the expected £500 per day.

(3) Renewal of debit card

Clerk advised the Parish Council debit card will expire March 2021 and replacement is due. Clerk will change over all payments linked to the card on receipt.

(4) QFS due for period Oct – Dec 20

The QFS will be completed before next meeting on receipt of bank statements which TF confirmed have been forwarded.

6. Planning

1. Application Ref: 20/09502/FUL Application for Full Planning

Proposal:- Addition of self-contained, removable, biomass plant room and hopper.

At: Kemble Airfield Enterprise Park, Building 16 A429 The Firs North To County Boundary, Kemble, Wilts GL7 6BQ

Comments: Extension in place to 5th Jan 2021

Comment - We are concerned by the relatively close relationship between the exhaust from the boiler, and the housing to the east, particularly considering prevailing winds. It would be preferable to site the building to the west of the host building, which would push the flue at least 20m further from the housing.

2. Application Ref: 20/10336/FUL Application for Full Planning (Cllr Lawes – Dec of Interest)

Cllr Lawes was given a dispensation to inform on the application:-

Proposal:- Two storey & first floor extensions to main house & conversion of former haystore into dependent persons accommodation At: Oliver House Stud, Chedglow, Crudwell, SN16 9EZ

Comments: Extension in place to 5th Jan 2021

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Comment - Crudwell Parish Council has taken onboard the comment from neighbours and would like to see a long-term Section 106 agreement in place for this property and then would support this dependent persons housing application.

3. Application Ref: 20/09939/FUL Application for Full Planning

Proposal:- To install 2.4m high acoustic fencing along the boundary. At: Hedgehogs, A429 Hankerton Field North To The Street, Crudwell, Wilts SN16 9EY Comments by 11 January 2021

Comment - We fully understand the issues relating to road noise in this location, the construction of another wooden panelled fence adjacent to the highway, particularly in this very prominent location within the conservation area would be unacceptable. We would like to suggest the fence be placed on the inner side of the hedge, and the hedge to be retained at a height no less than the fence.

4. Application Ref: 20/10830/FUL Application for Full Planning (Cllrs Lawes and Stewart/ Dec of Interest)

Cllr Lawes was given a dispensation to inform on the application:-

Proposal:- Retrospective application for the raising of roof on detached double Garage At: Ashlea, Tetbury Lane, Crudwell, SN16 9HB Comments by 29 January 2021

Crudwell Parish Council agreed No Comment.

7. Wiltshire Council report (Cllr C Berry) – Standing Item

There may be a small underspend within the budget due to measures/services put in place which have not taken up as frequently due to COVID-19. This will not affect the delivery of Council Tax which will include an increase (yet to be determined) and the reason will be an element of catch up. There has been a much more compliant stance from NHS in that responsibilities of hospital releases have had more co-operation and if this continues, could have a positive outcome for Wiltshire Council

Some nursing homes in the county have experienced voids due to COVID-19 and peoples preference to use homecare. As a result, there may be some loss of provision in this area and Wilts Council will try to financially assist if possible. Homecare alliance, where the council will support smaller care providers who have lower overheads was being explored

Schools now closed due to 3rd Lockdown and Council was better prepared this time. It was hoped the lockdown would quickly and positively affect the transmission and number of COVID-19 cases in local rural area, which is generally quicker to show results compared to urban areas.

8. Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group Report (Cllr R Lambley) – Standing Item

We are pleased to inform you that the Independent Examiner's report appointed which concluded that 'the Crudwell Neighbourhood Plan meets the basic conditions' and had recommended to Wiltshire Council that, subject to modifications, 'it should proceed to Referendum', has now been published and those who had made representations during Reg 16 have been informed and been given access to the report.

Following full consideration of the Examiner's Report and recommendations, Wiltshire Council has now issued a 'Decision Statement' confirming that the Neighbourhood Plan can proceed to Referendum (subject to certain limited modifications being made to ensure that it is compliant with the 'basic conditions').

The required modifications have now been made to the plan which will be returned to Wiltshire Council shortly. However, because of the COVID-19 pandemic Referendums cannot be held until at least May 2021.

In the meantime, the Plan, having reached this stage has a great deal of strength in that it protects us from speculative developers who may launch planning applications as Wiltshire Council land supply is below the required five years.

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There have subsequently been some negative Posts on the Crudwell Facebook page where it has been suggested that should the Plan not be “made” at Referendum then there could be small pockets of development rather than Tuners Lane. In the event of the Plan not being made there would also be open season for applications for large developments, as without a Plan and the continuing land supply position Wiltshire Council would be likely to approve other applications in addition to any made for Tuners Lane. The communications and awareness plan being developed in advance of the Referendum will address these and other issues and stress the importance of the Plan being made in order that we in Crudwell can continue to ensure that all future developments take place at a pace, scale and design to meet parishioners’ needs.

1. Vision Planning Consultants Rate

The daily rate charged by Consultants Vision Planning had been discussed regarding the increase from £500 to £750 per day. RL confirmed the Steering Group will be seeking an accommodation to this rate, the £500 was agreed for the initial work to NHP and had been in place for some time. The new increased rate will be for the Community Liaison Group, separate to the NHP. Vision has taken onboard that this is a large increase, and the rate is yet to be confirmed but will be between £500 - £750 per day. It was requested that this should be communicated once agreed to Crudwell Parish Council.

Sewerage overspill in Crudwell

With recent occurrence of sewerage overspill emerging from drains, TF queried what provisions are likely to be made for future housing in the context of the NHP. RL commented that sewerage provision is a matter for the local authority and agreed that this issue needs consideration and evaluation within any future planning applications. It was noted that the pumping station at Hankerton regularly has operational problems with volume and private drainage/septic tanks could be a possible solution. It was agreed that this was an issue that should be considered by the NHP and Community Liaison Group at this stage and that Flood Liaison representative John McWilliam has recently raised the issue through the Environment Agency and Wessex Water. Community Infrastructure monies (CIL) could be used for improving water flow through Crudwell, and with a ‘made’ NHP this would be 25% of £8500 (approx. £85 per sq. meter of both floors, average 3 bed).

9. COVID-19 19 Community Initiative – (Cllr R Lambley) – Standing Item

As we are now in a new lockdown I have provided the link to the latest information from Wiltshire Council re local services and help, Government regulations during lockdown are also available here: I continue to post these updates on our my-crudwell website, via our mailing list and our Facebook pages.

<https://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/public-health-coronavirus>

The Parish Council are very grateful to our local street leaders who continue to provide invaluable help to our elderly and vulnerable

We have made clear that it is necessary to for all to stay at home where possible and follow Government guidance, the picture in Malmesbury, Crudwell and Oaksey remains worse than wider Wiltshire with cases continuing to rise. As of 30 December, there were 20 cases here (255 per 100,00) which compares unfavourably with surrounding areas; Cirencester (229 per 100,000), Tetbury (93 per 100,000), Cotswold (222 per 100,000), Swindon (242 per 100,000).

The source of this data is:

<https://coronavirus.data.gov.uk/search?postcode=SN16+9ET>

10. Parish Matters

1. Trees (1) Fallen tree removal – PG will contact R Wilson who has volunteered to assist in removal.
- (2) Progress treeworks from report – TF has contacted ID Verde and we await their response.
2. Flooding – correspondence had been circulated by J McWilliam re recent flooding and the Parish Council thanked him for his continued efforts. Eastcourt had also had flooding and JS will be asked to update at next meeting. CB advised he has supported a claim against riparian duty for an Eastcourt resident.
3. Playground – it was noted as now in Lockdown 3, the playground can remain open but Fresh Air Fitness will require signage to show closed to public. AS will post a notice.

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4. Emergency Plan – PG confirmed this is finalised and ready to be posted online.
5. Track at Rommel Lane – plan/note for Land Registry. See Matters Arising.
6. Crudwell footpath/right of way issue. See Matters Arising.
7. Speeding/Speedwatch - PG advised Ollie Phips is awaiting further communication from police dept regarding use of ANPR cameras and further issuance of the devices is likely to be Summer 2021. CB advised those trialing the devices have had good results and it is hoped this project will be progressed with new Crime and Police Commissioner and could include average speed checks across main village roads. Community Speedwatch will be revisited post COVID-19.
8. Parish Steward
Plant overgrowth to the new wall in Tetbury Lane between hedge and wall is extensive and requires cutting.
Drains overspill freezing on pathway to new development – to be revisited, it was noted this is a problem and there was limited space to install a salt bin.

11. Other projects

1. Review/redesign of parish council and MyCrudwell websites to include accessibility requirements – future project work for 2021.
2. Eastcourt BT Telephone Box/defibrillator – JS not present to update.

There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed at 20.55.

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