

**MINUTES OF WHATLINGTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY  
17<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2022 IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30pm**

**PRESENT:-** Councillor Fisher in the Chair  
Councillors Ratcliffe, Scott, and Underhill  
County and District Councillor Field

**OPEN SESSION / LATE ITEMS FOR INFORMATION ONLY**

1 Local Government elector attending  
No matters raised

**1 REPORTS FOR THE ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY**

As due to the current virus situation no Assembly is being held. All the below reports will be on the councils web site and in the village newsletter. If parishioners have any questions on a report, they can then contact the writer direct.

**REPORTS: -**

**PARISH COUNCILCHAIRMAN  
WHATLINGTON PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL  
WHATLINGTON SPEED WATCH  
WHATLINGTON VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE  
COUNTY COUNCILLOR FIELD.**

**2 APOLOGIES**

Councillor White and District Councillor Cook

**3 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

No disclosures made

**4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

Minutes of the meeting held on the 20<sup>th</sup> January 2022, copies of which had been circulated were agreed and signed by the Chairman:

**5. MATTERS ARISING**

- a) **East Sussex Highways** - They have advised that all storm water drains will be cleared during March 2022
- b) **East Sussex Highways** – They have advised that work on the drains by the village hall will take place during May 2022 with the 3<sup>rd</sup> of May a possible start for the work.
- c) **Support to other parishes re continued excessive building of properties in villages.** - As agreed, at our January 2022 meeting for our support to be added to letters sent by parishes to Mr Gove
- d) **Hoath Lane road sign** - Road signs now sited.

**6. CORRESPONDENCE**

- a) **Councillor Field advised** -British Telecom will be working on one dwelling at the Battle part of the Whatlington Road, road closure notices will be sited. The clerk had spoken to British Telecom who had advised as there is only one dwelling involved vehicles may be able to use the road and the work will take 2-6 hours to complete
- b) **Rother District Council** – They have advised the establishment of a Planning Consultation Group which hopefully will speed up planning decisions

**7. REVIEW OF FOLLOWING POLICY: -**

Equality Policy – After discussion this was agreed

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## 8. CELEBRATIONS FOR THE QUEENS PLATINUM JUBILEE 5th JUNE 2022

The Chairman advised a meeting had been held and the lunch will take place at 2.00p.m. The council will be providing a Hog Roast at the cost of £700, In conjunction with The parishioners living near the Royal Oak are providing a buffet which the council will pay the cost of. There will be two stalls- Village Hall and Church also a raffle. There will be children's races. All further information will be in the village newsletter

## PLANNING

9. **APP/U1430/W/20/3263484** Church Field South West of St Mary Magdalene Church  
**APPEAL REFUSED**
- RR/2021/1591/P** Benham Cottage – Land at Woodmans Green Road  
Construction of a detached dwelling house, gardens,  
Parking and use of existing access to A.21  
Re submission of RR/2020/836/P **REFUSED**
- APP/U1430/W3285269/2790** Benham Cottage. Land at Woodmans Green Road. **Now Appealed**
- RR/2019/1620/P** Woods Place Farm, Mill Lane **GRANTED**
- RR/2021/458/P** Riccards Farm, Hastings Road **GRANTED**
- RR/2021/2595/P** 1 Woodmans Oak Cottage, Whatlington Road **GRANTED**
- RR/2021/1868/P** Mill Farm – Land at Whatlington Road **REFUSED**
- RR/2022/38/P** Land at Dorrells / Hillside Nursery, Woodmans Green Road  
Proposed dwelling house. **REFUSED**
- RR/2022/190/P** Fairmead, Woodmans Green Road  
Proposed two storey extensions and house remodelling  
After discussion on the application, it was agreed to object

## 10. FINANCE

Cheque drawn and Direct Debit payments made between meetings.

100825 Averdell -Final grass and willow cutting bill - £140.00

Direct Debit Barclaycard payments made.

January – H.P. Instant Ink – Photocopying - £3.49 Fasthost – Web site fee - £2.63

SLCC- Subscription - £80.00 H.P. Instant Ink - £3.49

£89.61

February Fasthosts- 5 Year Domain renewal - £77.94. Fasthost – Web site fee - £2.63

Norton – Annual renewal - £64.99. SLCC – Training Manual - £52.30

Mobile Phone - £10.00

£207.86

March Hugo Fox – Web Site Silver quarterly Subscription –

£71.97

There are four accounts to pay: -

100826 - V. Bennett – Half yearly salary

£1,350.06

100827 - V. Bennett – Administration costs

£128.96

100828 – Ripley's - Adjustments to car park bar

54.00

100829 – R. Fisher – Cheque not issued

## 11. GRANTS

After discussion it was agreed under Section 137 to give the following grants: -

100829 – Rural Rother Trust- to help with their giving to people in real need

£200.00

100830 - Whatlington Newsletter - Printing and administration costs

£200.00

100831 - Whatlington Parochial Church Council-Towards future costs for fencing repairs £100.00

A request for a grant from KSS Air Ambulance Charity will be considered when a copy of their financial statement, which has been requested, is received.

## 12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 19th May 2022

Minutes remain in draft format until approved at the next Meeting of the Council