

MONKS KIRBY PARISH COUNCIL

No. 1113

Minutes of meeting held on Thursday 21st January 2021

Meeting started 7.30pm

Attendees: Cllr. Washington (Chair), Cllr. Woolliscroft, Cllr. Wright, Cllr. Dalby, Cllr. Payne, Cllr. Payne, RB Cllr. Gillias, WC Cllr. Warwick

Apologies.

Nil

Declarations of Interest with regards to items on the agenda.

Cllr. Washington - finance payment - refreshments for Santa's Grotto.

Public Participation Session with regards to items on the agenda (15 minutes).

WC Cllr Adrian Warwick.

Warwickshire County Council have invested in CCTV to identify fly tipping spots. These cameras will be used to prosecute fly tipping offenders.

WC Cllr. Warwick urged everyone to report issues as the more issues are reported in the same areas the more incentive there is to put cameras there.

Rugby Borough Council App.

WC Cllr. Warwick urged people to download the above app which makes reporting of fly tipping easy. Logging a location is accurate and photographs can also be captured.

Action: Clerk put this on the Parish Council website and share on the MK Network WhatsApp group.

Business Grants Available for Businesses Closed Since 23 March 2020.

<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/information-coronavirus/coronavirus-government-business-support-measures/1>

Switch n save

The Switch & Save scheme is still running and is great for people who may not want to go onto comparison sites.

<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/switchandsave>

Warwickshire IndieGo Community Transport.

<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/public-transport/indiego/2>

This service is intended to supplement the existing bus service company.

Warwickshire County Council Approves Plan for Collaboration Working Pilot with Homes England.

The green light has been given by WCC for a pilot working arrangement between the County Council and Homes England which could lead to the delivery of new affordable and market-price environmentally friendly homes, if rolled out after the pilot.

<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/1615/county-council-approves-plan-for-collaboration-working-pilot-with-homes-england>

RB Cllr. Tony Gillias.

Planning - Land at top of Millers Lane / Fosse way

Cllr. Gillias confirmed he had been informed that there was activity on-site today - Community Wardens are investigating. Others have noted the construction of a stable type structure.

Cllr Gillias has requested the RBC Development Strategy Group to explain their response to planning application R20/1062, in which they note that it is acceptable in principle to authorise development in the Green belt.

Cllr. Payne queried that if the above site is given planning permission, does this mean that RBC do not have to provide another site for the next 2 years?

RB Cllr. Gillias confirmed that 35 pitches are required up to the year 2022 (1 pitch = 2 caravans).

Coventry & Warwickshire Reinvestment Trust.

This is a not for profit, FCA accredited, specialist finance provider committed to supporting businesses and individuals primarily based in Coventry & Warwickshire.

<https://www.cwrt.uk.com/>

For help please call 02476 551777 / email cwrt.uk.com/cbils.

Coronavirus Cases.

The number of Coronavirus cases was high last week in the Borough of Rugby. On Sunday 17 January numbers had gone down to 32. Monday 18th January = 54, Tuesday 19th January = 61, Wednesday 20th January = 69. Binley woods ward level - 10th in 16 wards across the Borough. It is hoped that these figures will diminish as the vaccination programme progresses.

65,000 people within the Borough have been vaccinated to-date.

Vaccination Transport.

More vaccination centres are opening. Doctors surgeries will notify people of where & when to go.

Transport - first resort should be someone within your family / carer / a person in your support bubble.

VASA - volunteers who can help with driving - Call 01789 262889 /

transport@vasa.org.uk.

Action: Clerk - put on notice board + agenda.

Community Grants.

Maintained at the same level as the previous year (projects grant) - for a maximum of £38,400. Rural development Fund - £25,000. This pot may be reviewed in the future.

Approval of Minutes of the meeting held on 17th December 2020.

Proposed - Cllr. Woolliscroft / seconded Cllr. Wright.

Matters Arising from the approval of Minutes of the meeting held on 17th
 Outstanding - Highways England - Cllr. Woolliscroft. Awaiting return call from WCC

Planning - policy change - retrospective applications - Tony to meet with adrian to organise meeting with mark pawsey and parishes to lobby for policy change		Completed. Meeting happened 15/01/2021
Circulate emergency 24hr telephone number for planning officers to Clerk - circulate to council / put on website / WhatsApp		Completed
Planning R19/0906 Top Millers La / Fosseyway: 1. Chair to liaise with Tony and write to RBC - ask chief planning officer to join council for urgent zoom call to ensure council responds correctly to application. 2. Clerk to send any photographs from drone footage to RBC 3. Fran & Bill write to WCC Highways concerning deliveries e.g. lorries delivering tarmac & stopping traffic 4. Each councillor to report their experiences to WCC		1. 2. Nothing received 3. 4.
Neighbourhood plan - Councillors to consider if they have contacts who would like to be involved	Cllrs	
Warwickshire welfare scheme - clerk put link & details on website, noticeboard and WhatsApp	Clerk	Completed
Switch & save - clerk put link & details on website, noticeboard + WhatsApp	Clerk	Completed
MKPC Planning Policy - put on website	Clerk	Completed
Update website re planning - land top of Millers La / Fosse Way	Clerk	Completed
Precept - submit to Sally - RBC	Clerk	Completed

Budget - submit to RBC	Clerk	Completed
Lutterworth Area Community Fund - add speed detection signs to February agenda	Clerk	Completed
Neighbourhood plan January meeting - move	Clerk	Completed
Planning - R20/0853 - Farm Cottage - clerk to feedback to RBC that council supports	Clerk	Completed
Planning - R20/0901 - Keepers Cottage - clerk to feedback to RBC that council supports	Clerk	Completed
Planning R20/0259 - Land adjacent to Lutterworth Rd: 1. Paper plans - rcvd. 2. Councillors look at RBC website and relevant documents - discuss by email & feedback to clerk to feedback by deadline of 11th January 3. Clerk contact planning contact - will what we have sent in be taken into account or do we need to respond afresh?	Clerk	1. Rcvd, passed on. 2. 3. Confirmed what we have submitted will be taken into account NEW DEADLINE 03/02/21
Fishponds - work - publicise	Cllr. Partridge / Clerk	Completed
Magna Pk Meeting - Cllr. Woolliscroft to contact WCC Highways for contact in Highways England. Cllr. Woolliscroft put together response & circulate to councillors for response		Outstanding

Correspondence.

Clerks & Councils Direct.

Finance.**Electronic Payments for Approval / Estimate for Approval.**

Proposed - Cllr. Partridge / seconded - Cllr. Woolliscroft.

E.on to confirm final price - western power not yet finished.

Payee	Date	Invoice	Amount
e.on. Street lighting maintenance for quarter ending December 2020	15/12/2020	102394	£26.97 Vat £5.39 Total £32.36
E.on Electricity invoice for quarter October - December 2020	12/01/2021	H195EB1AC2	£211.34
Carter Jonas Rent - Fishponds	01/01/2021	352416	£50.00
Bear Woodcraft Repairs to wooden stepping posts and replace with like for like.	06/01/2021	Estimate	£208.00
Tim Washington Santa's Grotto - Refreshments.	14/01/2021		£32.50
Internal Transfer Unity Trust Current Account to Savings Account. NS&I funds.	15/01/2021		£2,704.80
G Kirk invoice (to be added to February agenda) Discussion held and Council agreed.	11/12/20	YL/MKPC/001	£4,200.00

**Finance.
Receipts.**

Payer	Date	Invoice No.	Item	Amount
NS&I - Transfer of funds from savings account & closure of account	24/12/2020		Funds from Savings Account	£2,704.80

**Lutterworth Area Community Projects Limited
Village Hall – Project to Remove Central Pillar.**

Awaiting response from Area Community Projects - hope to hear by end January 2021.

Neighbourhood Plan.

Next meeting Thursday 28th January 2021.

Council are continuing to consider if they are aware of contacts who might like to be involved.

Cllr. Payne confirmed she had shared information with a contact and is waiting to hear back.

Litter Pick - Date.

Monks Kirby Parish Council agreed to set a provisional date of Saturday 27th March. If the lockdown persists this will need to be rescheduled.

Action: Clerk to contact RBC / publicise on website and MK Network WhatsApp group.

Monks Kirby Parish Council Meeting Dates 2021.

Clerk confirmed meetings have been set as follows (all Thursdays):

18 February (Zoom)

18 March (Zoom)

15 April (Zoom)

20 May (tbc)

17 June (tbc)

15 July (tbc)

19 August (tbc)

16 September (tbc)

21 October (tbc)

18 November (tbc)

16 December (tbc)

Action: Clerk to share all meeting dates on Parish Council website.

Planning.

Harborough District Council - 20/02075/OUT

Outline application for biomethane refuelling station: petrol filling station with ancillary retail, drive through restaurants (Class / E/sui generis), MOT station, ancillary car parking and associated works (all matters reserved), Land East of, Bittesby Way, Magna Park, Bittesby.

Council discussed and agreed that there is active planning for 2 truck stops on Magna Park already.

Council queried if there is a need for this as well as other service area? Council are concerned that this would generate more traffic.

Cllr. Woolliscroft confirmed he would support the application for Magna Park as this traffic would cause fewer problems.

Council agreed.

Action: Clerk to respond to Harborough District Council that Monks Kirby Parish Council supports this application.

R20/0259 - Land adjacent to Lutterworth Rd.

New deadline 05/02/21. Paper plans received and given to Councillor.

RBC Confirmed by email 21/12 that Council's original response will be taken into account.

Action: Clerk to contact Planning Officer and confirm that Monks Kirby Parish Council are supporting the application through Harborough District Council above and that as there are two application for very similar projects, the Council feels that Magna Park is a better site for such a development and therefore there is even more reason to object to this.

R20/1062 – Land at top of Millers La. / Fosseway.

Monks Kirby Parish Council have submitted their official response to RBC planning, basing the objection on the grounds of inappropriate development in the Green Belt. A meeting was held with Mark Pawsey (MP), RB Cllr. Gillias, WC Cllr. Warwick, Cllr. Washington and approximately 6-7 other Parish Councils. All attendees requested Mark Pawsey's help to put his weight put behind the planning policy to ensure planners and inspectors have the backing of the Government to implement current planning policy. Cllr. Woolliscroft re-iterated that under National Planning Guidance no planning in a green belt location should be allowed 'apart from in exceptional circumstances' and that a lack of sites for the travelling community does not constitute 'exceptional circumstances'.

Concern was raised about the flood risk at this site and C Davies (RBC) had confirmed they were aware of flooding at the site and that this needs to be taken into account. Although the site is on a plateau of high ground it forms a floodplain. C Davies (RBC) had suggested that Cllr. Woolliscroft speak to Warwickshire County Council's Flood Risk Management Team. Flood Management Team will visit the site along with Cllr. Woolliscroft. The Flood Management Team is not a consultee in this case. Monks Kirby Parish Council to raise with C Davies direct that SuDS (The Community for Sustainable Drainage) is a material consideration in the planning policy and in this case. The work is contrary to SuDS guidance of the National Policy Framework. Cllr. Washington proposed that Monks Kirby Parish Council write a supplementary objection to C Davies (RBC). Council agreed.

General discussion around the response of RBC Strategy Development Group to this application and it was agreed that their response was not satisfactory and must be queried.

Action: Monks Kirby Parish Council agreed to contact the Head of Development Strategy and object to their statement that 'this would probably be acceptable in principle given that we don't have sufficient allocated sites'. Cllr. Washington action.

Action: WC. Cllr. Warwick advised Monks Kirby Parish Council to ask C Davies (RBC) to supply the Planning Committee Report as soon as is available - Clerk action.

Action: Clerk - register Monks Kirby Parish Council to speak at the Planning Committee on 3rd March 2021. Nominated speaker Cllr. Washington.

Action: Cllr. Woolliscroft to circulate the drainage response to all Councillors. RB. Cllr. To confirm when responses have to be in by.

Risk Assessment.

Action: Cllr. Washington / Clerk to review and report back at the February meeting.

Hedges.

Nil.

Fishponds.

Cllr. Partridge confirmed that the new equipment has been installed (trampoline and swings) and the park is open.

Monks Kirby Parish Council awaiting Invoice.

Council discussed that there have been concerns from the next door neighbour over the closeness of the playground to the boundary of his property.

Council discussed the resident's concerns - no action to be taken currently.

Cllr. Partridge confirmed that several young trees had been planted next to the residents fence by the contractors.

Cllr. Partridge confirmed that a new padlock had been purchased. Cost of this to be formally recorded and authorised at the February meeting.

Street Lighting.

Council is awaiting consumption information from e.on

Trees.

Cllr. Woolliscroft confirmed that he had made contact with Moretons of Copston. Both parties to meet when it is safe to do so, to investigate the area.

Items for Round the Revel.

Litter pick date (Saturday 27 March 2021).

Telephone number for transport for vaccine.

App for reporting app - fly tipping.

Items for the Website.

Litter pick date (Saturday 27th March 2021).

Parish Council Meeting Dates (as above).

Telephone number for transport for vaccine.

Parish information

Changes to footpaths due to sheep in fields. Alternative routes being used.

Action: Council agreed to review policy of public's access to contact details for the Council - Clerk to add to April agenda.

Meeting closed 9.03pm