

Hardwicke Parish Council

Minutes of A Meeting of the Parish Council held at Hardwicke Village Hall on Monday
October 4th 2021

Present

Cllr John Perkin

Cllr Jill Brearley

Cllr Graham Brearley

Cllr Peter Rotherham

Cllr Ian Butler

Cllr Fran Welbourne

Cllr Andrew James

Cllr Denise Powell

In attendance

District Councillor Gill Oxley and Kevin Lee, Clerk

71/21 Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from District Councillor David Mossman and County Councillor Stephen Davies

72/21 Declarations of Interest

None declared

73/21 Public Questions

There were none

74/21 Minutes of Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the meeting held on September 6th were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair

Resolved; to approve the Minutes as a correct record

75/21 Local Plan Review

The Chair, Cllr John Perkin reported that Redrow had asked for a meeting with the Parish Council to update the Council on their proposed development plans. A meeting with Parish, District and County Councillors would be held week commencing October 11th.

Members discussed the range of items that they wanted to raise at the meeting, these included; (the full list of questions to be raised are attached to the signed copy of the Minutes)

- No through road from the development to existing lanes
- No Management company

- A 20 mph speed limit throughout the development with appropriate traffic calming measures
- How would drainage issues be addressed
- How would the developer take account of the Parish Council's Neighbourhood Plan, particularly around protection of wildlife, open spaces and bio-diversity

The above points were made subject to the sites held by Redrow being included in the District Council's Local Plan.

Resolved; to approve the list of questions

76/21 Parish and District Councillor Reports

1. County Councillor Stephen Davies had submitted a written report which highlighted;
 - Gloucestershire Fire and Rescue Service is consulting on its future plans the period of consultation runs through to November 26th
 - An inquiry had been received about whether there could be some form of crossing near the Tesco Convenience Store.
 - The A38 Flyover work has been delayed because following an Engineering Report they are now working on the solution. There is agreement from the Project Manager that he will meet with Hardwicke Parish Council (with Hunts Grove Parish Council) but he would like to wait until he has more information to make this meeting more useful
2. District Councillor Gill Oxley reported that she had raised a question with the district council on its policy in respect of Management companies and Section 106 provision. Cllr Oxley advised the Parish Council a resident had expressed concern about possible future development on part of the former Mayo's Field. The landowner had been clearing the land and felling trees. Gill Oxley highlighted the district council's awareness campaigns on their website about Hate Crime and Black History Month
3. Cllr Jill Brearley commented on the work to clear the By-Pass Channel and recommended that photographs of the work be submitted to the Hardwicke Matters. Jill suggested that the Parish Council should do more to promote its work and successes. Jill noted that the wooden bridge leading to the footpath opposite Puddleducks required to repair to some of the wooden slats
4. Cllr Peter Rotherham asked the Clerk if a response had been received from the district council in respect of reduced council tax payments where residents also had to pay management company fees. The Clerk reported that the advice from the district council was that the council tax/precept rates were set across a whole area. During the discussion it was agreed to raise the matter with the local MP. Peter asked if the Police had been invited to future meetings. The Clerk reported that the PCSO for the area was not available to attend the current meeting but had an invite to future meetings
5. Cllr Denise Powell asked if branches that had been cut down in the Village Hall car park could be removed as they were restricting the parking spaces
6. Cllr John Perkin noted that there was an increase in the number of vehicles parking on the grass verge in Green Lane at weekends; this was caused by people attending football matches, particularly during Junior Football Matches. The Clerk was asked to raise the matter with the football club. It was noted that there was also parking on the

verges caused by people taking children to Hardwicke School. The Clerk was asked to raise the issue with the School

Resolved; to note the reports and actions

77/21 Planning Applications

Cllr Fran Welbourne reported that the Parish Council had been consulted on a variation to the planning approval given to the Solar Farm within Longney Parish. The variation was to extend the life of the solar farm from 30 to 40 years.

Members agreed that as the application related to a neighbouring parish then a view should be gained from Elmore and Longney before submitting a formal response

Resolved; to consult with Elmore and Longney Parish Council

78/21 Finance Report

The Clerk presented the finance report for the period ending September 30th 2021 and the list of payments. Members confirmed the purchase of three notice boards (as agreed at the previous meeting) with the additional purchase of metal posts.

Resolved; to approve the report and payments

79/21 CIL Infrastructure Fund

The Clerk referred to Minute 70/21 of the previous meeting which approved the preparation of a bid for the footpath on Sellars Road. Advice had been received from the district council that a bid for funding for the project would need to be submitted by the County Council as the footway was the responsibility of County Highways. County Councillor Stephen Davies had confirmed that he would raise the issue with the Area Highways Manager with a view to undertaking a feasibility study

Resolved; to note the report

Meeting Closed at 20.30

Signed

Chair

Date