

Portbury Parish Council

MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting held 8th December 2020
via Video Link

Present:

Councillors: Cllr Mr Romanski Cllr Mr Phipps
Cllr Mr Cooke Cllr Mr Coles Cllr Mr Lanham

Chairman: Cllr Mrs Cowlard

Clerk: Minutes taken by Mrs Dawn Drower – Clerk

Representatives: Nigel Ashton NSC Kylie Howard Avon and Somerset Police

Others: 1 member of general public

Meeting commenced at 7.30pm

No	Item	Action
	Standing Orders were suspended for Kylie Howard to have a brief conversation with Councillors about Neighbourhood Watch. Kylie commented that the aim is to reduce crime in the area and the opportunity to commit crime. NW also promotes community spirit and closeness. The police would like to be directly involved with Portbury Parish Council and the NW representatives in the village, with information feeding back to Avon and Somerset Neighbourhood Watch team via the Parish Council, and vice versa. Kylie commented that she is willing to be a NW coordinator for the village. Kylie is also keen for NW be in contact with residents who may not have Facebook or social media. Kylie wants to mailshot the village to get as many people onto the NW scheme as possible and is very happy to do the mailshot.	
PC/1220/01	Declaration of Interest by Members – There were no declarations of interest.	
PC/1220/02	Apologies received – None	
PC/1220/03	Minutes of PPC's monthly meeting held on the 3 rd November 2020 were presented. Cllr Mrs Cowlard	

	<p>commented that she would now go through the points from the last meeting before signing off the minutes.</p> <p>PC/1120/09(f) – Cllr Mr Phipps commented that he is still waiting for a response from horse riders as to where they would like to see the hazard signs positioned.</p> <p>Proposed Cllr Mr Cooke Seconded Cllr Mr Phipps</p> <p>Resolved that: Minutes were agreed by all.</p>	ALL
PC/1220/04	<p>Finance</p> <p>(a) Payments for authorisation – As per schedule presented prior to meeting.</p> <p>RESOLVED that: The payments as scheduled in the Finance Report were approved.</p> <p>Cllr Mr Phipps enquired as to where the ring-fenced money for the village green was now after agreeing last meeting to release it from ring fenced. Clerk Mrs Drower confirmed that the money was now in free reserves.</p> <p>Proposed Cllr Mrs Cowlard Seconded Cllr Mr Cooke</p> <p>Payments were agreed by all Cllrs.</p>	ALL DD
PC/1220/05	<p>Crime and Disorder</p> <p>(a) Crime Stats -Clerk Mrs Drower commented that the report from our local PC minor crime stats for November.</p> <p>(b) Local crime – Cllr Mrs Cowlard commented that some power tools were stolen in the village, the thieves were chased, but got away. However, the power tools were recovered.</p>	WC/DD
PC/1220/06	<p>Planning</p> <p>Applications received:</p> <p>(a) 20/P/1982/OUT – Cole Acre – no update.</p> <p>(b) 20/P/2303/FUH, 20/P/2304/LBC – no update.</p> <p>(c) 20/P/2315/LBC, 20/P/2314/FUH – no update.</p> <p>(d) 20/P/2501/TEN – Land to rear of 55 Mill Lane – Erection of 9m broadband electronic mast – granted.</p> <p>(e) 20/P/2157/FUH – 16 High St – Erection of single storey rear extension – no update.</p> <p>(f) 20/P/2661/FUH – Portbury Priors – Erection of detached garage – Cllr Mr Phipps commented that item (f) and (g) are complicated works to a listed building and are as such outside of the expertise of the Parish Council. Cllr Mr Phipps will write to NSC stating this.</p> <p>(g) 20/P/2662/LBC – Portbury Priors – Listed building consent for external works – see (f)</p>	MAP

	<p>Cllr Mr Phipps commented that public comments on planning applications are now made anonymously and suggests that the Parish Council should now submit a comment even if it is no comment to identify the Council from a resident.</p> <p>Proposed Cllr Mr Cooke Seconded Cllr Mrs Cowlard</p> <p>All Cllrs agreed</p>	MAP
PC/1220/07	<p>Maintenance (a)Lengthsman – no comments this month</p>	WC
PC/1220/08	<p>Council Administration/Correspondence (a)Proposal to co-opt Mr N Cheek onto council – This item was brought forward to the beginning of the meeting, and Nick Cheek was co-opted onto the council.</p> <p>Proposed Cllr Mr Phipps Seconded Cllr Mrs Cowlard</p> <p>All Cllrs in favour</p> <p>(b)Children’s play equipment update – Cllr Mr Phipps commented that he had received a quote from one company for supply and fix of the ball joint, which was in the sum of £1627. We are still waiting on quotes from the other two companies. Clerk Mrs Drower commented that The Children’s Playground Company who originally installed the equipment are not responding to emails. When called the lady who is a co-owner says her husband is not well and she is struggling to manage everything. Cllr Mr Phipps commented that we are still waiting for a response from Newcombe Estates re the lease queries.</p> <p>(c)A369 layby fly tipping – Cllr Mrs Cowlard commented that the majority of fly tipping has now been removed, and litter picking is being carried out during the week, so it is looking a lot better. The tiles are still in the donkey field. Clerk Mrs Drower will follow this up.</p> <p>(d)Street lighting - update – Cllr Mrs Cowlard had previously circulated the costings from Centregreat to cllrs. Cllr Mrs Cowlard suggested going back to Centregreat to get the urgent work underway. Cllr Mr Phipps suggested that they could try and coordinate our work when they come to repair the lighting at the bottom of Station Road and should be more economical for us to get all the urgent work done at the same time. Cllr Mr Phipps commented that 20 High Street is still not working, Cllr Mrs Cowlard will report this.</p>	<p>ALL</p> <p>DD/MAP</p> <p>DD</p> <p>DD</p> <p>WC</p>

	<p>(e)Local plan update - Cllr Mr Phipps commented that we are now at the feedback stage of the local plan. Cllr Mr Phipps had summarised the feedback in a report to cllrs. People fed back that they wanted sustainable development near jobs, or with a transport system in place to get them to work. Cllr Mr Phipps commented that he was disappointed our comments about growth had not been reflected in the feedback. NSC have to decide now how to provide 15 – 20000 new homes over the next 18 years. NSC have already asked parishes to put forward areas for development. There are big restraints in our area – flood plains, areas of outstanding natural beauty etc. NSC are considering 4 strategies – To preserve the Green Belt and use brown field sites To develop the outskirts of Bristol, e.g.Long Ashton To develop along transport corridors To disperse development randomly The closing dates for comments back is 14th December, and Cllr Mr Phipps asked cllrs for their comments. Cllr Mr Cooke enquired if the developments included affordable homes and close to facilities. Cllr Mr Phipps commented that any NSC will consider the impact of any development on local services and will also consider affordable houses. Cllr Mr Nigel Ashton commented that development in village locations is a challenge for affordable housing as there can be no facilities close by. Developers will be asked to contribute to facilities, but sometimes this can be economically difficult. The other challenge is that a lot of the development land is owned by developers, which they hold onto, and this leaves NSC with challenges over available land, and so fall behind on the government targets. Cllr Mr Phipps suggested that the feedback should favour the use of brown field sites, take note of infrastructure, also ask if NSC needs that many more homes, where is the growth coming from, comment that there is not enough available land for development.</p> <p>(f)Grey non-recyclable sacks – Cllr Mr Cooke commented that residents who are unable to have black bins, have grey sacks. Cllr Mr Cooke commented that the grey sacks are under review by NSC. However a further supply of sacks are now available and will be made available to residents from the 1st December.</p> <p>(g)Weight limit at top of Portbury Lane – Cllr Mr Cooke commented that he has discussed the signs with David Bailey NSC, who has said there is no budget for further signs. Cllr Mr Cooke is going to arrange a site meeting with David Bailey about the siting of the signs and if any money can be saved. Cllr Mr Cooke asked if PPC would be willing to contribute towards the cost. Cllr Mr Phipps agreed and proposed that we do allocate some funds for extra signs.</p>	<p>MAP</p> <p>PC</p> <p>PC</p>
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	<p>Cllr Mr Cooke will get a from price from David Bailey and report back to council.</p> <p>(h)Tree removal – Priory Road – all complete</p> <p>(i)Land off of Jct 19 – Portbury Hundred – Cllr Mr Romanski commented that on the right hand side just after you enter the Portbury Hundred from Jct 19, there are people living there behind the line of trees.</p> <p>Cllr Mr Nigel Ashton will investigate, and report back to PPC.</p>	NA
PC/1220/09	Sheepway issues – no issues	
PC/1220/10	Allotments update – no issues	

Meeting finished at 9.30 p.m.

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