# Minutes of the Meeting of Plumtree Parish Council held on Monday January 25, 2021, at 6.45pm, by the Zoom system.

Couns. Mike Bylina (Chairman),

Adrian Kerrison, Jonnie Richards, Andrew Burnett,

Penny Perkins, Mike Clark, Richard Fielding

Also present Clerk Mike Elliott, and Notts County Council member John Cottee.

1. Apologies for Absence

 There were none.

1. Declarations of Interest

 There were none.

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 Accepted as circulated and would be signed by the chairman as appropriate.

**13. Co-option for Casual Vacancy**

 At this point the chairman changed the order of the agenda, to bring forward Item 13 for co-option.

 The clerk said the council had received an expression of interest from Mr Richard Fielding of the Old Rectory, Church Hill, Plumtree. He was in attendance and gave a brief outline of his details.

 The chairman proposed he be co-opted and this was approved unanimously. The chairman welcomed him to the council and thanked him for his interest. The clerk said the new member had signed the necessary papers and they are in his possession.

1. Clerk’s Report

 There was nothing to report.

1. Report from the Borough and County Councillors

 Coun. Cottee gave a report and advised that the request for an extension of the speed limit from Church Hill to Keyworth was not being supported. He said the County had informed him that, when setting local speed limits, they tried to follow national guidelines so there is a consistency across the country, and setting limits that will be obeyed by the vast majority.

 He commented on the question of signage to the new Redrow housing development at Nicker Hill, Keyworth. Their agents had been instructed to have the signs erected as soon as possible and not as Redrow had suggested, in April.

 Coun. Cottee said the plans for improvement and extension to the Bradmore Lane footpath and the flood prevention work was in the work programme for early next month but did say this could be affected by adverse weather conditions and the availability of staff during the continuing coronavirus situation.

1. Defibrillator

 Members discussed the provision of a defibrillator that was available to the public on the exterior of the nursery play school on Old Melton Road, and agreed to make a donation of £300 towards its cost. The unit is available at all times to the public and its existence is to be made known on the council website, notice board and any other source available. Coun. Richards would provide the clerk with the necessary information to use.

1. Finance

 a) Accounts for Payment were approved as per the circulated list.

1. Bradmore Lane footpath

 As reported earlier by Coun. Cottee, work was expected to proceed within the next few weeks. There would be a need from time to time for a road closure on Bradmore Lane.

1. Council Website

 The chairman outlined the situation in regard to a decision at the previous meeting in regard to the provider of the council website and had obtained a price from Network Internet Ltd to market test the current costs from Carruthers Solutions. He said this showed the existing suppliers represented good value for money and he saw no reason to change the current arrangement. The clerk said his office had every confidence in the present service given to the council. It was agreed to continue to use the present suppliers.

 Members were made aware of changes that had been made to the parish council website, including those necessary to bring it in line with the new accessibility regulations, and gave their approval.  The clerk confirmed that he was responsible for submitting all information posted on the website.

 The council agreed the clerk should head a village email circulation system to keep residents well advised of council and other news. A letter was to be hand delivered to each house in the village inviting residents to submit their email and other details to the clerk.

1. Notts County Council Broadband service.

 A report was presented by Coun. Clark which outlined progress being made on the Notts County Council initiated scheme to provide better broadband availability in the village. He said Openreach had identified properties in Plumtree and also Normanton on the Wolds, Tollerton and Stanton on the Wolds where an upgrade was required. Contact was to be made by letter with the properties concerned and between 60 / 70 per cent would be required to go forward and seek to accept being in the upgrade scheme. There would be no cost to individuals. Coun. Clark was given the authority to continue arrangements with Openreach.

1. Environment

 The chairman said the council notice board in the village was in need of being refurbished and it was agreed he seek a price for the work he felt was necessary.

1. Planning

 **Rushcliffe Borough Council planning applications**

 20/02388/OUT. Mr R S Brook, Orchard Barn, Bradmore Lane. Erect single storey dwelling with accommodation roof space and associated access, car port/log store and parking arrangements. The council had not objected.

 20/02638 Mr Fielding, The Old Rectory, Church Hill. Erect single storey side extension. Application withdrawn

 20/03244/OUT Taylor Wimpey and Rockspring Barwood Gamston Ltd. Outline application for the first phases of a sustainable urban extension at Land East of Gamston and North of Tollerton comprising up to 2,250 dwellings, primary school, a local centre, hot food takeaway, strategic green infrastructure and associated buildings, children’s play area, infrastructure including drainage and engineering and demolition works Principal vehicular accesses off A52 and Tollerton Lane.

 Coun. Kerrison spoke on the subject and said he had made a detailed check on what was planned and its effect on the neighbourhood. He would continue his work on the application, prepare a report for presentation to the Borough council and send it round to members to approve.

**14.** Date for Next Meeting was confirmed as **March 22, 2021 with a 7pm start.**

 There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.40pm.