

GREAT FINBOROUGH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 11th January 2021 held remotely via Zoom platform

Present: Cllr Simon Tarabella (chair) Cllr Peter Turner Cllr Simon Waspe
Cllr James Spencer Cllr Sebastian Reeves Cllr Norman Vendittelli
Cllr Sharon Shipp
Paula Gladwell – Clerk County Cllr Penny Otton (part)
1 member of public District Cllr John Matthissen (part)

- 2020/2237 **Apologies for Absence** - None
- 2020/2238 **Declarations of Interest in accordance with the council's Code of Conduct and requests for dispensations relating to Discloseable Pecuniary Interests** – Cllr Tarabella declared a pecuniary interest in item 10b (min no. 2020/2254) Cllr Shipp declared a pecuniary interest in Item 12a (min no. 2020/2256)
- 2020/2239 **Minutes of Parish Council Meeting** - It was proposed by Cllr Turner, Sec Cllr Vendittelli that the minutes of the previous Parish Council Meeting were approved, with all in favour. The Parish Council Meeting minutes of 14th December 2020 will be signed as a true record.
- 2020/2240 **Public Participation** – No questions
- 2020/2241 **County Cllr Penny Otton** – Cllr Otton gave her report which had been circulated and is attached to these minutes.
- 2020/2242 **District Cllr John Matthissen** – Cllr Matthissen gave his report which had been circulated and is attached to these minutes.
- 2020/2243 **Clerks Report** – It was noted that; the steps on the FP9 bridge had been repaired, Cllr Waspe has yet to discuss FP22 with the landowner and Cllr Matthissen still has some locality money available. It was confirmed that the head teacher at Finborough Primary School had agreed to correspond with all parents regarding the concerns around the lack of adherence to the Covid rules when using the Middlefield Drive Play Area. It was agreed that the emergency contact numbers for help during the current Covid lockdown would be circulated again.
- 2020/2244 **Planning** – Thanks were extended to applicant of DC/20 05843 for his attendance at the meeting and information regarding the application.
It was Resolved to submit the following comments to MSDC for applications DC/20/05843 Outline Planning Application (Access to be considered, all other matters reserved) – Erection of 4no. Dwellings and garages, land East of East House, High Road – *Great Finborough Parish Council have NO OBJECTION to this application based on the information available. It is noted that this site lies outside the development boundary for the village and under most circumstances the Parish Council would be opposed to growth that extended the built environment unsustainably however it is thought that as this site is on the boundary and would infill with the adjacent site where new homes are already approved that this would be an acceptable site for growth in Great Finborough. There is no requirement for an additional access and it is thought that the four buildings will not adversely affect the visual aspect of the High Road. The landowner has been good enough to discuss his application with the Parish Council and is open to further discussion regarding the provision of local affordable housing within the site if our planned Local Housing Needs Survey results in a need being established."*
- 2020/2045 DC/20/05760 Submission of details for approval of reserved matters (Access, Landscaping, Layout and Scale) following outline approval DC/18/05541 for Erection of 1no. Dwelling, cartlodge and creation of new vehicular access – Willowmere, Combs Lane – *"Great Finborough Parish Council have NO OBJECTION to this application based on the information available"*
- 2020/2246 The following MSDC decisions were noted; DC/20/04823 Outline Planning Application (all matters reserved) Erection of 2 no. 4-5 bedroom single storey dwellings with garage outbuildings (resubmission of withdrawn application DC/20/01426) Stone Farm, Borough Lane – REFUSED
- 2020/2247 **Finance** – The Finance report for January 2021 was approved.
- 2020/2248 The following payments were approved. Prop Cllr Tarabella, Sec Turner with all in favour, Staff salaries for December 2020,
- 2020/2249 Notice Board NV £20.65
- 2020/2250 Woodpecker Hill donation ST £30.00
- 2020/2251 Wave Water £18.82
- 2020/2252 It was noted that the precept requirement raised by the budget process of £13390 showed a slight increase over the previous year resulting in an additional £1.44 per Band D household for

the year. It was resolved to set the precept for 2021/2022 at £13390 and the request forms will be completed and signed. Proposed Cllr Tarabella, sec Cllr Turner with all in favour.

2020/2253 **Middlefield Drive Play Area** – It was noted that the Primary School remained closed under lockdown and therefore no issues with usage of the Play Area had arisen.

Cllr Tarabella left the meeting

2020/2254 The quote for fencing to seal off the buffer zone in order to prevent children playing in this area and so address the complaints of residents was considered. It was noted that the fencing would match the existing green ppc metal and consist of a fixed fence to the north and a fence and gate for maintenance access at the end adjacent to Middlefield Drive. It was Resolved to approve the £2000 quote for fencing with the agreement that a second quote be sought before engaging the contract. Proposed Cllr Turner with all in favour. It was noted that signage would also be required the wording of which was deferred to the next meeting. It was agreed that Cllrs Matthissen and Otton be asked if funding help towards the cost of the fencing might be available from their locality budgets.

Cllr Tarabella re entered the meeting.

2020/2255 **Footpaths** – The Footpath Warden had nothing new to report. It was noted that the finger post in Borough lane for FP2 was broken, the clerk will report this.

Cllr Shipp left the meeting

2020/2256 **Correspondence** – Discussion took place regarding the request to run a pizza van from the Middlefield Drive Car Park. It was agreed that permission would not be given at this time as direct competition for take away food would be detrimental to the Chestnut Horse PH and that the Parish Council should support their Community Asset at this difficult time.

Cllr Shipp re entered the meeting.

2020/2257 There were no comments to further tabled correspondence.

2020/2258 **Wildflower Meadow Information Board** – Quotes received for the information board were considered. It was Resolved to engage Osis at a cost of £1521 to design and supply a recycled plastic cedar finish information board with 16 watercolour originals. Proposed by Cllr Tarabella, sec Cllr Turner with all in favour. It was agreed that an additional background art work be commissioned that would incur an approx £300 additional cost. It was noted that Cllr Matthissen had granted £880 and Cllr Otton £600 toward this project.

2020/2259 **Local Housing Needs Survey** – Deferred

2020/2260 **White Entrance Gates** – Deferred

2020/2261 **Matters to be brought to the attention of the council** – None

Next meeting of the Parish Council - Monday 8th March 2021 at 7.30pm