

**MINUTES OF THE FISHBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
held on 10th December 2020 by Video Link at 7.00p.m.**

Present –Cllr Hector, Cllr Hopper, Cllr Talbot, Cllr Fontana
Mrs Warr (Clerk),
Members of the public – 0

Public Questions: - No public present

REF MINUTE

3977 Apologies

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Nowak

3978 Members' Declarations of Pecuniary and Non pecuniary Interests and Requests for Dispensation of Pecuniary Interest

None were identified

3979 Minutes of the Meetings

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 12th November 2020 and the Planning Meeting held on 3rd December were presented.

RESOLVED: that, the minutes of the meeting held on 12th November 2020 and the Planning Meeting held on 3rd December, are approved as a correct record and will be signed by the Chairman.

3980 Reports

a. Chairman's Report – the Chairman made a short report and a copy is attached to these minutes. It was agreed to investigate the cost of larger boulders to place around Oak Tree Green, to stop vehicles eroding the edge of the Green. It was also agreed to contact Island Roads regarding parking around the Green near to the access to the Lower Green.

Wightlink will be contacted to request that their generators are only used in emergencies and Environmental Health will be approached regarding air quality levels while the generators are in operation.

b. Clerk - The Clerk reported on several items and a copy of the report is attached to these minutes.

c. Island Roads – Cllr Hopper reported on a reply from Island Roads regarding the parking restrictions on the Lower Green. There will be an informal consultation in the New Year with the Parish Council and the relevant statutory bodies. The public consultation probably will not start before April and if no objections are received then the restrictions would be added to works program.

d. Cllr Talbot submitted a report and a copy is attached to these minutes. It was noted that a possible breach of planning regulations was occurring at Byewater in Ashlake Copse Road. This will be reported.

Cllr Fontana submitted a report on a recent IWALC Executive meeting, and a copy is attached to these minutes. She highlighted a leaflet from the AONB Natures Highway project that promotes the protection of verges. There was a good deal of support for the FPC item on the use of flail cutting on the roadside hedges and this will be discussed at the IWALC/IWC meeting on 17th December.

3981 Wightlink Ferries

The response from IWC Director of Neighbourhoods, Colin Rowland, regarding the traffic chaos in Fishbourne Lane caused by the Wightlink ferries was

discussed. Members were disappointed that the onus had been put back on the Parish Council and residents to make further reports on disruption. There had been many detailed accounts of dates and times that Fishbourne Lane had been gridlocked, due to the additional booths not being opened in the terminal and it was not accepted that more accounts were needed. It was agreed to write back to Mr Rowland suggesting that the IWC visit on a Friday or Monday to monitor the situation.

RESOLVED: that, a reply would be sent to the IWC Director of Neighbourhood Colin Rowland refuting the suggestion more evidence of disruption is required and request that the IWC monitor the situation on a Monday or Friday when the traffic is at its heaviest.

3982 Surface water flooding - public footpath Fishbourne Lane / Ashlake Copse Road

The surface water flooding on the public footpath was discussed and it was not known if Island Roads had made any progress with finding the source of the problem. This will be chased, and Island Roads will be reminded that this problem also occurred a number of years ago.

RESOLVED: that, Island Roads will be asked for an update with resolving the surface flooding on the public footpath on Ashlake Copse Road.

3983 Notice Board in Firestone Copse Road/Glade area

Some local residents were not happy with the initial proposal and on further consultation a number of other possible sites are under consideration. Further enquiries are to be made regarding these possible sites.

3984 Christmas Tree

It was noted that the tree was planted and dressed with solar lights.

3985 Correspondence received

An invitation had been received to the virtual IWC 'Cabinet on the Road' event to be held on 4th February. Cllr Hopper and Hector expressed an interest in attending.

3986 Finance:

- December Payment Schedule

RESOLVED: that the payments for December, totalling £948.24 are approved.

- Bank Reconciliation

RESOLVED: that the bank reconciliation is approved

- Budget 2021/22

A draft budget was briefly discussed and will be an agenda item for next month.

3987 Future Agenda Items

Budget – Notice Board - Newsletter

3988 Next meeting

The date of the next monthly meeting was confirmed as Thursday 14th January 2021, 7pm by Zoom. There being no other business the meeting closed at 8pm
Signed as a true record

Chairman

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