Quinton Parish Council

Ordinary Parish Council Meeting

Tuesday 21st January 2020 Quinton Village Hall 7.30 pm

Present: Cllr Robert Spooner (Chairman)

Cllr Caroline Barton Cllr Paul Milliken Cllr Abbie Taylor Cllr Rob Clark

Mrs M Norman (Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer)

Also present: 4 members of the public

1 Apologies:

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Edward Fitter, Cllr Chris Watson and Cllr Kathy Clarke and were accepted by the Council. The clerk informed the Council of the resignation of Cllr Rebecca Hall.

2 Declaration of interests

There were no declarations of interest.

3 Minutes of the previous meeting:

The minutes of the meeting of the 3rd December 2019 were agreed as an accurate record and signed by the Chairman.

4 Questions from the public:

A member of the public voiced his concern about speeding traffic through the village, in particular along Back Lane and the Quinton to Hidcote road.

5 **Presentation re Airfield House:**

Jonathan Thompson, Land Consultant, presented proposals for the development of Airfield House. This is a 4.45 acre site on part of Long Marston airfield, capable of accommodating between 50 to 60 houses. Stratford District Council have agreed to register the site as a rural brownfield site, which could be utilised for housing. The proposal is that access to the site should be via the planned Garden Village, not the Campden Road. The site owner has commissioned ecological surveys, flood assessments and survey of the ground conditions preparatory to applying for planning permission to develop the site.

The Chairman thanked Mr Thompson for his presentation.

6 **District and County Councillors' reports**:

There were no reports to be made.

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Precept:

After discussion, it was resolved to request the sum of £30,600 in precept.

8 S106 monies re 14/01499/OUT land at corner of Main Road:

The Council resolved to request a variation of condition for the offer of £14,326.76 for the provision of a local equipped area for play, and ask that the funds be directed towards improvements and extensions to the current play equipment and surfaces on Quinton playing field.

9 Any matters from the Chairman:

The Chairman said that the speed laser needed to be recalibrated. The cost of this had been borne last year by the local police, but he was unsure whether they would pay for this year's costs, quoted at £249 + VAT. The Council would contact the Highways authorities and ask them to assess the junction of Back Lane and Main Road, for safety purposes. The Chairman noted that Cllr Milliken would represent the Parish Council at the Planning Committee meeting on the 29th January, to oppose the granting of planning permission at Deerfield Farm.

Cllr Clarke would now take on responsibility for the inspection of drainage and ditches. The anti parking posts to be installed near the Post Office would cost £1,245. Warwickshire County Council had still not responded to the request to provide an estimate of the labour costs they would charge if asked to install the posts. The clerk was asked to obtain estimates from other companies.

Both Severn Trent and Warwickshire County Council were offering grant funding opportunities. The Chairman was keen to take advantage of these opportunities wherever possible. An idea mooted was a running track around the perimeter of the playing field.

There had been reports in the local press that some of the recently built houses on Meon Vale had not been provided with fire breaks in the roof, contrary to Building Regulations.

10 Neighbourhood Plan:

Cllr Milliken reported that the draft circulated to members of the Steering Committee was nearly 90% complete. The Committee were holding a further meeting the following week.

11 Safety Mirror Back Lane:

The Council discussed the proposal to install a safety mirror opposite the western junction of Back Lane and Main Road. It was agreed that further investigations needed to be made regarding installation. The matter was deferred to a subsequent meeting.

12 Lighting junction Main Road and Campden Road:

The Chairman had approached Warwickshire County Council to ask them to assess the lighting provision at this junction, as it was extremely difficult to see the turning for Quinton, particularly approaching from the Stratford direction. The response received was, in the Chairman's opinion, unsatisfactory. Based on that response, whilst agreeing that the junction was difficult to see, the Parish Council decided to proceed no further.

13 Resurfacing Main Road:

The surface of Main Road through the village is in a very poor condition, with surface water lying in pools at the edge. It was agreed to request Warwickshire County Council to resurface the road. Cllr Izzi Seccombe would also be asked for her support.

14 Defibrillator:

It was resolved to purchase a defibrillator to be installed outside the Village Hall. The Chairman said that funding was available from the British Heart Foundation, requiring a donation of £600 plus supply of a community funded suitable external box. It was also agreed that The College Arms should be approached to see if they would be willing to allow another defibrillator to be housed on their premises.

15 **Planning applications**:

The following planning applications were considered:

i) 19/03394/FUL Pinfold Grange, Lower Quinton: proposed 3 no. dwellings. It was resolved to object to this application.

And to receive the results of any planning applications:

There were no results to be noted.

16 Reports from Council members on outside bodies:

There were no reports to be made.

17 To receive receipts and payments records for the quarter:

The Council received the receipts and payments records previously circulated and agreed them as an accurate record.

18 To receive any correspondence:

Notification of Climate Change SPD Consultation Stratford District Council.

19 Councillors' reports and items for future agenda.

Discussions would continue on a possible celebration for VE Day. Consideration of projects provided by s106 money.

20 Accounts for payment and finance matters:

The following payments were noted and approved:

- i) Quinton Village Hall (hall hire) £63.00
- ii) Wicksteed (playground repairs) £1,374.98
- iii) Clerk's salary £**
- iv) HMRC (income tax) £**

The Chairman and Cllr Barton signed the supporting documentation.

The meeting closed at 9.30 pm. The next meeting would take place on Tuesday 10th March 2020.





