

# North Newnton Parish Council (Virtual) Meeting

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2020 at 7p.m.

## Minutes

Due to COVID-19 this was a virtual meeting. In accordance with the Local Government Act (LGA) 1972, Sch 12 paras 10 (2) (b) as amended by The Local Authorities (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority Meetings) (England) Regulations 2020 into force to allow local authorities to conduct meetings remotely.

**Present:** Chair of the meeting - Cllr Marcus Stoneham (MS), Cllr Olivia Campbell Slight (OCS), Cllr David Brisker (DB) (Vice -Chair), and Cllr Mac McLean (MM.) In attendance: Gillian Tatum Clerk.

**The virtual meeting started at 7pm**

- 1 **Absence apologies and Declaration of interests.** Apologies received Cllr Tom Ellen (TE). Members are bound by the provisions of the Code of Conduct and are required to declare either personal or prejudicial interests; Cllr OCS declared an interest with respect to item 4(1) as joint applicant for the planning application.
- 2 **Minutes of Parish Council Meeting 16<sup>th</sup> April.** The minutes were passed by all Councillors and signed by the Clerk on behalf of the Chair as a true record.
- 3 **Adjournment. Welcome to the Public.**  
None

#### 4 **Planning Applications**

**Planning; To obtain statutory view of Parish Council**

1. **Application Ref: 20/03273/TCA Application for Work to Trees in a Cons Area Proposal: - Fell Group of Leylandii At: Chestnut Cottage, Hilcott, Pewsey, Wiltshire, SN9 6LE.** After discussion and asking all virtually present in turn there were no objections to the proposal and all happy to go ahead with the leylandii felling.

**Action: Clerk to inform Wiltshire Council**

**Clerk**

#### 5 **Governance**

1. Notice of the resignation of Cllr Kate Boulter (vice-chair); notification has been made to Wiltshire Council, no elections can take place until May 2021 however the Parish Council has the ability to co-opt a member if a suitable candidate is forthcoming.

The Chair confirmed the sad news of the resignation of Cllr Kate Boulter, Vice-Chairman and said she would be sorely missed. He wanted to thank her for all her hard work and contribution over the 10 years of service and particularly in the role of Vice-Chairman. A vote of thanks was given by all Councillors. It was also noted that Kate had offered to stay on in her kind role as Volunteer/Support Co-ordinator for Bottlesford during COVID-19 and that she had further offered to help as editor for any future Neighbourhood Plan documents.

A discussion was had about how to replace Kate and the other existing vacancy. At the AGM on the 19<sup>th</sup> May the Parish Council will be electing Chair and Vice- Chair (s). **Action:**

**Clerk**

**Clerk to pass on the Parish Council's thanks to Kate Boulter**

## 6 Next Virtual Meetings

### **19/05/2020 AGM & Parish Meeting –**

Brief discussion on items for the agenda for the next meeting; **AGM**; Election of chair, vice –chairs. **Parish Council Meeting**; Village Hall, Finances (finance sub-group had met virtually to review funding to make sure funding in place for the next stage of the North Newnton footpath), Cllr OCS to replace Cllr KB as bank signatory, COVID-19 updates, Neighbourhood Plan (although it was noted no new work had been done due to COVID-19 other than extensive reading of past files to get up to speed on the current position).

### **19/05/2020 AGM & Parish Meeting**

If you want to be involved via Zoom please contact the Clerk by 18/05/2020 via email or phone (as below) or alternatively you may submit a question that can be raised by the Clerk. All will be most welcome

### **The virtual meeting closed at 7.30 pm**

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