

Radwinter Parish Council

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The Clerk, Herkstead Green Bungalow, Cornish Hall End
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Minutes of the Virtual meeting of Radwinter Parish Council held on Monday 27th July 2020.

Present Cllr Richardson (Chairman)

Cllr Rains
Cllr Davidson
Cllr Duck
Cllr Halls
Cllr Boyden

Cathryn Carlisle (Clerk)
1 member of the public

20/99 Apologies for Absence

DC Storah
CC Walsh

20/100 Members of the public are welcome to attend the Parish Council meeting. Those wishing to speak or raise any issue are requested to do so at.

The Member of the public mentioned that The Plough had reopened which is good news, but when the pub is busy people are parking vehicles on the road in dangerous places.

Suggestions were that the Parish Council writes to The Plough with our concerns. The Clerk agreed to do this on behalf of the Council.

20/101 Members' Declarations of interest

Cllr Richardson VHMC
Cllr Duck Recreation Ground

20/102 Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on 29th June 2020 were approved and signed as a true record of the meeting.

Proposed Cllr Halls, Seconded Cllr Davidson

20/103 Clerks Report

The Clerk reported that she had been and cleaned out the office getting rid of all the old rubbish. We are now in a position to move things across from Michael Southgate.

20/104 District Councils Report
Report sent out earlier in the month

20/105 County Councillors
No Report. The Clerk to Check with the County Councillor if he would support getting a 20-mph sign outside the school.

20/106 Recreation Ground Update

20/106.1 Update on Barrier and Gate

The barrier has been installed and had a coat of paint; it needs another coat of paint this week. The resident from the Armes Houses and the Recreation committee were pleased with the barrier, which is easy to open and close.

The Jubilee Gates, The PC have a tender which was acceptable to the Village Hall committee who are paying for this. We now need to find someone to build 2 brick pillars, which hopefully will be done by the end of the year.

20/107 Finance:

To agree the following payments:

20/107.1	Cathryn Carlisle –	salary July	342
20/107.2 £129.60	SSE	Electricity	d/d
20/107.3 £60.84	Cathryn Carlisle	Clerk Expenses June	343
20/107.4 £48.38	A & J Lighting	Maintenance	D/D
20/107.5 £57.94	BT	Telephone	D/D
20/107.6 £87.00	Jack Roberts	Grass Cutting	339
20/107.7 £408.00	R H Argent	Barrier	340
20/107.8 £285.00	S Hermitage	Barrier	341

All Payments were **approved** by all members of the council present

20/107.8 Monthly Budget and Bank Reconciliation

These were sent out prior to the meeting

20/107.9 Bank Account update

The Clerk has sent more details to the bank last week, but she had not heard anything since then.

20.107.10 Grants to village organisations: Recreation Ground, Cricket Club

Cllr Richardson has had a meeting with the Recreation Committee about their accounts. They had picked up a support grant of £3,500, and were projecting a positive cash balance of around £7,400 at the end of their financial year in March 2021.

However, they had necessarily made a number of assumptions on both costs and revenues in calculating this projected balance, and it was by no means certain that the balance would be achieved. In view of this, and the fact that there was no immediate financial stress, Cllr Richardson proposed that we do not give the Rec Committee any money at the present time, but we will be prepared to support them later in the year if need be. This was agreed by all Councillors.

The Cricket Club has asked for a Grant of £300 for cutting and maintaining the Cricket square. All Councillors **approved of this Grant.**

20/108 Recent Planning Applications:

20/108.1 Planning Results

UTT/19/3104/FUL Land At 2 Mill End Cottages Ashdon Road Erection of 1 no. detached dwelling with associated landscaping works and new vehicular access
This application has gone to Appeal, all representations must be received by the inspector by the 20 August 2020

UTT/20/0729/FUL Barn Opposite Applecroft Variation of Condition 2 (approved plans) attached to UTT/19/1693/FUL - design and layout changes.

UTT/20/1481/FUL Proposed erection of 1 no. dwelling and cartlodge 9 Princes Well Radwinter

20/109 Highways:

The Clerk had reported the damage to the Water Lane Road surface, but Highways had come back saying the surface is ok. The Clerk suggested that she writes a letter to ECC Highways, since:

- Maple Lane has been left in a bad state after Giga Clear
- East View Close the paths are very uneven after various people have dug up the road or paths.

20/110 Stocking Green update Cllr Davidson to Report

Large vehicles are using the road due to harvest and the refuse collection lorry.

20/111 Reports from Councillors with matters affecting the village

- The Hedge at Church view needs cutting – the Clerk will contact the Landlord.
- There is a house on the Ashdon Road that is selling vegetables and it is reported that the residents have said that they want to open a market garden. The land was previously in use as grazing. The Clerk is to check whether they would need to put in for change of use from Grazing to Market Garden.

20/112 Neighbourhood Plan Update

Cllr Richardson reported that the Steering Group had 37 questionnaires back. An analysis had been completed and the Group would be meeting soon to discuss the next steps. The expectation is that there will be an exhibition at some point to showcase the responses, and the proposed policies for the new Neighbourhood Plan. Due to Covid 19 this cannot take place immediately, and so it will probably happen in the spring of next year. However in the meantime the Steering Group can start and look at policies.

20/113 Consultations

New Model Code of Conduct noted.

20/114 Land at the Rear of Gillon Way

The Clerk is waiting to hear back from the Solicitors and will chase in the middle of August.

20/115 Vacancy

The Clerk has 3 people interested, so far only one has formally applied, but the others are expected to do so. The Council will look to do Zoom interviews (due to CV19) before the August meeting so the new Councillor can co-opted at the August meeting.

20/116 Matters to be raised by members for the next agenda

20/117 Date of the next Meeting will be on 24th Aug 2020

20/118 Meeting Closed at 8.52pm

Signed..... Dated.....