

HENLEY PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the

Parish Council meeting which was held online on Tuesday, September 8, 2020 at 7.30pm

1/080920	Apologies for Absence and Approvals
	Bryan Marks had sent his apologies and his absence was approved. All other councillors were present. District Cllrs John Whitehead and Tim Passmore attended the meeting.
2/080920	Declarations of Interest and Requests for Dispensation
	None
3/080920	Approval of the Minutes of the Parish Council meetings held on July 14, 2020
	The minutes were approved.
4/080920	To invite public discussion on items on the agenda, and to receive reports from the County and District Councillors.
	Cllr Field had sent a written report. Cllr Whitehead had sent a written report. He said that all Mid Suffolk meetings are being held remotely, with recordings available on You Tube. Council reserves are reduced because of extra COVID spending; the government has contributed £1.3 million. Government grants of £3 million have been disbursed by the Council. Cllr Passmore added that the infection rate in Suffolk over recent days is still low, but significantly higher than a month ago. A larger percentage of positive tests are being recorded among the under 25 age group. On the crime situation, the recent shooting incident in Kesgrave was a one-off tragic occurrence. Domestic abuse and online crime are both significantly up compared with last year. Major county lines arrests have been made recently. There has been concern
	about dog thefts; owners should be vigilant but no recent incidents have been recorded.
	Both councillors have Locality Grant funds available.
5/080920	To consider the status of current planning applications, including:
	20/02847 Greenacres, Church Lane - For a Lawful Development Certificate for an Existing use or operation or activity including those in breach of a planning condition. Town and Country Planning Act 1990: Section 191 as amended by section 10 of the Planning and Compensation Act 1991. Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 - To remove condition 3 (Agricultural Occupancy) relating to planning permission W/10586.– <i>the condition has been removed.</i>

	<p>20/01933, erection of a first floor side extension over garage conversion, 7 St Peters Close - granted</p> <p>19/04439, eleven dwellings on the south side of Ashbocking Road – Cllr Whitehead will inquire as to why the delay on this has been so lengthy.</p> <p>And to consider any update on the Hastoe and related housing projects – there has been no further development on this Application</p>
6/080920	<p>To consider a proposal from Henley Athletic Football Club that the Parish Council should support and apply for planning permission for permanent LED floodlights on the football pitch</p>
	<p>The chair of the club had tabled a request about this. Any lighting would become a Parish Council asset as the Council is the ultimate owner of the Community Playing Field. Modern LED is more contained and manageable than old-fashioned floodlights. Lighting would make more games and more practice times possible, plus taking the pressure off the centre for weekend events. Funding should not be an issue as grants are available. After discussion it was agreed widespread consultation with the village is required. Reduced access to the field, light pollution, noise at night and car parking were all concerns which needed to be aired before a decision could be made. A questionnaire will be designed for circulation throughout the village.</p>

7/080920 To receive a report from the Henley Community Centre Charity A written report had been submitted by Cllr Brock. He added that the Centre is being used again in line with regulations. The Preschool and the Football Club are both back. The bar is partly opened. Other regular users are expected in the New Year.

8/080920 To consider and confirm arrangements for an individual village Litter Pick to coincide with the Great British September Clean from September 17- 27 It was agreed to go ahead with this on the basis of individual effort and a published risk assessment.

9/080920 To consider arrangements for Henley Christmas Fair It was agreed there would be no Christmas fair this year.

10/080920 Financial report to date, including any payments due; to consider and approve the Internal Audit for 2019/20; to approve any further governance paperwork. A bank reconciliation to July 13, 2020 was presented showing a balance of £24,615.12. No payments were due. Since the last meeting the following bank payments had been made:

July 22, 2020 Rod Caird Salary £369.06

July 22, 2020 HMRC £78.80 PAYE

August 3, 2020 Andrew Deptford £ 124.00 Defib parts

Sept 7, 2020 SALC £ 186.00 Audit fee

Sept 7, 2020 Ladywell £ 49.50 Payroll charge

The internal audit report from SALC for 2019/20 was considered and approved.

The Standing Orders, Risk Assessment, Financial Regulations and Code of Conduct were considered and adopted.

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Urgent matters to be brought to the attention of the Parish Council: None this time.