

Cropwell Bishop Parish Council Minutes of Meeting – 1st June 2021

7.00pm At the Old School and Virtual Meeting via Zoom. A Recording Is Available on the Website

(The meeting started at 7.01pm and finished at 8.37pm)

Present (at the Old School): Cllrs. W. Allison, M. Beazley, C. Bryan, J. Gelsthorpe, J. Greenwood, J. Lacey, & A. Wilson (Chairman)

In Attendance (at the Old School): Mrs J. Towndrow (Clerk), Cllr. Clarke N.C.C. & 2 residents – 2 residents attended virtually via Zoom

Apologies Approved

47. Cllr's G. Moore & J. Wroughton - Holiday

Declarations of Interest & Confirmation of Agenda

48. DOI – None Received
The Agenda was confirmed.
49. Standing Orders were suspended at 7.02pm to allow the order of business to be amended to enable attendees To speak to the meeting.

Parishioners' Question Time & Policing Report

Pam Wregg asked if the Memorial Hall are going to hold an AGM, the Parish Council advised Pam Wregg to approach the Memorial Hall Committee directly to ask the question.

Crime Figures

There were no figures received.

50. Standing Orders reinstated at 7.03pm.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

51. It Was:
RESOLVED: "That the minutes of the ACM and Ordinary meeting held on 4th May 2021 were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

Progress

52. **M.24 – 4/5/21 – Great British Spring Clean**
COMPLETE: The Clerk wrote to Streetwise and advised that the Parish Council and our local groups are working continuously in conjunction with Streetwise on the areas they wished us to target for the Great British Spring Clean – Streetwise thanked the Parish Council, litter picking group and individuals who are involved in keeping Cropwell Bishop clean and tidy.
53. **M.26 – 4/5/21 – Food Bank**
COMPLETE: The Food Bank is now closed. It was emotional on the last day families were so grateful for the vouchers supplied to see them through. This has been great work by all the team. A copy of the accounts are available for viewing in the Clerks office if anyone wishes to view them.
54. **M.27 – 4/5/21 – Cropwell News**
COMPLETE: Dates and times have now been agreed for 5 editions between July 2021 and March 2022. The first edition deadline is the 9th July for delivery the following weekend. Advertisers have been contacted – there is still advertising space available and if anyone has any articles then please contact the Parish Clerk.
55. **M.36 – 4/5/21 – New Grass Jubilee Gardens**
COMPLETE: Following a meeting between the Garden Volunteers, Cllr's Wilson & Lacey and the Clerk it was agreed the best way forward was to re-turf the area. This has now been done at a cost of £120 plus V.A.T.

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56. **M.37 – 4/5/21 – Carbon Neutral Commitment**

The Clerk has written to Emma Georgiou of RBC to update them on the good work carried out in Cropwell Bishop regarding the Environment, and advised we are very aware as a Parish Council about Carbon Commitment. The Clerk received a response from RBC saying they were pleased with the progress and ongoing commitment from the Parish Council.

Planning Matters & Applications

57. **RBC Grant Permission: 21/00879/FUL**- Construction of first floor extension with rear dormer. Remodel of existing rear dormer – 33 Colston Road, Cropwell Bishop NG12 3BJ

NOTED

58. **RBC Grant Permission: 21/00753/FUL**- Conversion of ancillary residential accommodation to dwelling house and alterations to elevations – Wynlands, Fern Road, Cropwell Bishop NG12 3BW

NOTED

59. **RBC Refuse Permission: 21/00332/FUL**- Erection of shed to front garden (retrospective) – 7 Cropwell Butler Road, Cropwell Bishop NG12 3DD

NOTED

60. **RBC Grant Permission: 21/01027/FUL**- Single storey side extension – 5 Mercia Avenue, Cropwell Bishop NG12 3DQ

NOTED

61. **RBC New Application: 21/01192/FUL**- Single storey extension to garage frontage and replacement of Velux rooflight with dormer – 11 Smiths Close, Cropwell Bishop NG12 3DU

It Was Unanimously:

RESOLVED: “NO OBJECTION”.

62. **RBC New Application: 21/01293/FUL** – Proposed series of two storey extensions and remodelling of the house together with the construction of a double garage/store with loft storage over – 5 Thurlby Close, Cropwell Bishop NG12 3DS

It was raised regarding the privacy issue the balconies could cause to surrounding properties – Cllr. Lacey pointed out there are existing windows there and the elevations have been changed to take into account the overlooking – the balcony is set back from the face of the windows. It was suggested we ask that the tall trees are not allowed to be cut below 12 feet.

It Was Unanimously:

RESOLVED: “NO OBJECTION with comments regarding the trees”.

63. **RBC New Application: 21/01451/FUL**: Erection of single storey wooden cabin to rear for hairdressing business use – Giles View, 5A Stockwell Lane, Cropwell Bishop, NG12 3BX

Concerns were raised that the proposed wooden cabin is close to the boundary of the existing property and the Parish Council have concerns to the safety of a timber clad building with the use of combustibles such as hair sprays and other hair products. This needs to be taken into consideration as part of the building regulations and planning.

It Was Unanimously:

RESOLVED: “NO OBJECTION with comments regarding the combustibles to be stored”.

64. **RBC New Application: 21/01534/VAR**- Variation of Condition 2, 11, 13, 14 and 15 (to allow layout and design amendments to plot 1, 2 and 3) of planning permission 19/00599/FUL – Manor House, 42 Fern Road, Cropwell Bishop NG12 3BU

It Was Unanimously:

RESOLVED: “NO OBJECTION”.

65. **RBC License Application: 21/00543/LAPREM**- Licence Application – 14 Church Street, Cropwell Bishop.

66. Standing Orders were suspended at 7.19pm to allow the order of business to be amended to enable attendees To speak to the meeting.

Calvin Adlard addressed the meeting – Calvin lives next to the Co-op and said that the opening hours were their main concern. The hours 7 days a week is going to cause a public nuisance. Calvin believed there was a

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caveat in place that it could not become a convenience store. Calvin read a list of concerns based on when the Co-op was based here – Cars racing to and from the site at the last minute, all day people pulling up and leaving engines running and music blaring, dogs barking tied up outside, newspaper delivers coming at 4am and it disturbs you every morning. Noise of shutters opening and closing, parking over drives, obstructions etc., generally a nuisance. They do not want a shop back but if they do have to have one then the opening hours need to be restricted. Calvin asked if there was an agreement in place to stop it being a convenience store again.

67. Standing Orders reinstated at 7.23pm.

The Clerk read a list of the things the council need to consider with their response. Noise levels opening hours etc. and raised awareness of the retail site being in breach of the planning permission for the offices. An email had been received from A. Pegram of Planning at RBC to advise the existing planning for the old Co-op was still in place. The Clerk advised the shop will be running under the heading of Nisa a subsidiary of Co-op. It can be objected to under the licensing laws regarding public nuisance such as noise, threat to community safety, litter, odour, smoke and lights.

Cllr. Gelsthorpe said there was now limited space for parking/deliveries with the office parking spaces taking up the old delivery bay. Cllr. Lacey said the delivery vehicles can pull onto the space at the front. Cllr. Lacey asked why the planning was still in place for the old Co-op when permission had been given for a café? The Clerk advised this was because the café had never started therefore existing planning remains in place.

Cllr. Gelsthorpe said any planning will always be superseded by retail. The Clerk read an email from Andrew Pegram regarding the status of the planning which states they can use it for retail. (This is a separate issue to it being in breach of the planning for the offices). Cllr. Gelsthorpe advised the ex-borough solicitor said he thought RBC was correct in saying that the premises could continue to operate as a retail shop without the further need for planning permission. However, planning conditions would still need to apply i.e., 7am to 10pm Monday to Saturday and 7am to 8pm on Sundays and Bank Holidays. Given the long history of the premises as a retail shop it is unlikely that permission would be refused.

Cllr. Bryan stated if it went ahead we request it runs with the same opening hours as the existing Co-op. Delivery times be restricted around school hours.

Action: The Clerk to write to the planning department to again highlight that the proposed retail is in breach of the planning permission given for the offices as noted by N.C.C. Highways.

It Was Unanimously

RESOLVED: "Object to the licence on the grounds of, not in accordance with existing planning hours, residential area near to the school (existing and when the entrance is moved off the new development), parking constraints due to the offices."

Finance

68. **a) Financial Statement up to 27th May 2021**

It Was Unanimously:

RESOLVED: "To approve the financial statement."

69. **b) Payments made up to May 27th 2021 and awaiting June 2021**

It Was Unanimously:

RESOLVED: "To approve all payments as reproduced on payments document 158."

Correspondence for Action

70. **a) To Consider Attendance to Town & Parish Forum via Zoom – 21st July 2021 10.00am to 12.30pm**

It Was

RESOLVED: Cllr. Greenwood and the Clerk would attend.

71. **b) To Consider A. Hayes request re Duke of Edinburgh Volunteering**

Archie Hayes had requested to undertake his DofE award by doing mowing in and around the village on his family ride on mower. Unfortunately, this is outside the remit of the Parish Council insurance. P. Wregg made the meeting aware he had now secured work for the DofE award via the allotment society.

COVID-19

72. a) The Old School

The Old School is up and running with some exercise classes. Others are set to return on the 21st June if restrictions are lifted.

Cllr. Greenwood asked re the finances of the Old School – can the building sustain running with very few events. We can as the building is supported by the precept. We received a grant of £10k last year but there are no more grants going forward.

To Consider Perimeter of Memorial Hall Playing Field

- 73.** Cllr. Lacey advised that Plan A for a contractor to come along and do the work was not going ahead as he could not find a contractor willing to take it on. Plan B is to get the works done on an ad-hoc basis and he had someone in mind who is interested in helping out. The work will be done in stages of repairing, renewing and replanting. Please keep the item on the agenda going forward.

Update on the Memorial Hall Building

- 74.** Cllr. Beazley advised that more damage had been done to the hall. The committee are in the process of putting a letter together to go out to all residents telling them what has been happening and informing them what the future options are. The letter will invite them to make their views known. The Memorial Hall Committee also want to display the surveys and feasibility studies in the Parish Rooms for people to go along and have a look at.

Cllr. Bryan asked are the Memorial Hall Committee trying to get the village views as to what should happen to the Memorial Hall? Cllr. Beazley advised they are and that the results will be published to the village. Cllr. Beazley advised the Scouts will be delivering the letters to the village to earn their Scout Community Worker Badges.

Cllr. Greenwood asked if the feasibility studies had now been completed. Cllr. Beazley advised it was and it held no surprises. Cllr. Beazley advised they set a costing out for repair and rebuild it said there was significant costs for repair which at best would only extend its life for 15 years, and the cost for a re-build doubling its size would cost about 1.4million.

Village Ranger Inspections

- 75.** The Ranger/Lengthsman has still not received his new Stihl equipment. The Ranger has been in touch with Stihl and it will be later in June when the equipment is delivered.

Transport

76. a) To Consider Thankyou Letter to Ruth Edwards MP regarding 33 Service Support

Cllr. Greenwood had offered her support to us and written to CT4N asking them to review the service. In the meantime we have received an offer from Vectare regarding an evening service.

It Was Unanimously

RESOLVED: "To send the letter proposed by Cllr. Greenwood to Ruth Edwards MP".

77. b) To Consider Proposals for an Evening Service from Vectare for Cropwell Bishop from S.106 funding

Cllr. Greenwood advised Vectare had proposed a promising evening service utilising the S.106 funding from the new development on Church Street. Cllr. Greenwood thought the service would be even better if it had an earlier bus into Bingham and a later bus out of Nottingham and try to incorporate Hollygate Estate to make the service more viable and sustainable in the future. This is an ongoing discussion and will try to progress it forward. Cllr. Greenwood asked if there was anything to report from the N.C.C. side and Cllr. Clarke advised there was nothing to add at the moment.

Highways & Footpaths Defects/Issues

78. a) Traffic Calming System - Update

Cllr. Clarke advised the objections are now down to 6 and no resolution can be found with these objections at the time being so progress is at a standstill. Cllr. Clarke has meetings with the Corporate Director to try and move things forward. Cllr. Gelsthorpe noted that the parking on Nottingham Road is getting worse and with the Wheatsheaf opening up, matters will continue to get worse.

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79. **b) Footpath at the Rear of Hoe View Road – Request for Remainder of Pathway to be Stoned**

Cllr. Clarke advised the Countryside Team need to dine out where the waste will go and inspect the stone offered by the landowner. The Countryside team still need Russell Price to cut back the hedges which cant be done till September.

80. **c) 20mph Speed Limit Hoe View Road**

Cllr. Clarke advised that policy states that 20mph speed limits can only be applied in the vicinity of schools. Hoe View Road is an estate road so falls outside the criteria for 20mph signs.

81. Cllr. Greenwood advised that the Clerk had written again to Russell Price re the permissive footpath, Russell Price's response was just to say thankyou for the information. Cllr. Greenwood also sent some information on a project called Slow Ways it is trying to develop safe routes between communities. Cllr. Greenwood felt a route between Cotgrave and Cropwell Bishop would meet the criteria. Cllr. Gelsthorpe said if Russell Price has all the information it is up to him if he wishes to give permission for the footpath. Cllr. Greenwood said he is still waiting for N.C.C. to provide a footpath and these suggestions are only temporary. Cllr. Bryan said he can understand why the landowner would not wish to give permission and Cllr. Greenwood noted Russell Price did say he would try and help us with our plea to N.C.C. for the footpath to be constructed road side.

82. Cllr. Clarke advised he has spoken again with highways with regards to the interactive speed sign on Cropwell Butler Road. Cllr. Wilson advised we had received another complaint from residents in this area who was listening to speeding at 10.00pm at night and was extremely worried about the dangers in this are during the day. Cllr. Clarke asked if the Parish Council were still willing to fund a speed sign in the area and advised the cost would be £8,680.00. If we wish to go ahead the Parish Council need to confirm his via e-mail to himself and Laura Trussler. It must be a sign supplied and installed by N.C.C. for future maintenance purposes. Cllr. Bryan proposed we fund a speed sign from our reserves, Cllr. Wilson seconded.

It Was Unanimously:

Resolved: "The Clerk will liaise with N.C.C re the new interactive sign."

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83. Cllr. Gelsthorpe noted that between the front of Hardys Close and just beyond the corner towards Cropwell Butler, due to the lorries delivering down the middle of the road we are loosing some of the surface and there is a pot hole developing which needs repairing by the developers. Cllr. Beazley stated that the lorries cant turn around in the entrance so lorries are going up towards Butler and reversing up Hoe View Road in order to depart the village via Church Street. Damage is being done to kerbs, pavements and the road surface.

Action: Cllr. Clarke advised he will take this up with the highways department at N.C.C..

The Environment

84. **a) Planting of Wildflower Seed**

We have 500g of wildflower seed mixture to plant around the village which will cover approx. 250 sq. metres. The ground will need to be scarified and hoed before the seed is laid. Cllr. Gelsthorpe suggested off Kinoutlon Road behind the footpath.

Action: Clerk to email the Duke of Edinburgh candidate to see if he wishes to take this task on and Cllr. Allison will show him the areas once approved.

85. **a) Litter and Plastic Waste Issues at the Fosseway Service Station Update**

The Clerk read an email from Sue Ward part of the Litter Picking Group as follows:-

"The regional manager of the service station came to see us when we were litter picking on Tuesday. He was very polite and wanted to know what they could do to make it better. He has said he will put up more notices and empty the bins regularly before they are full. He said by law they have to provide plastic gloves. He did # say that once the development is started he will get better bins and a better system with the gloves."

Councillors Reports

86. Cllr. Bryan said a number of parishioners had complained to him regarding the sub stations and asked if the Parish Council had an overview of what is happening and how long the works will take. Cllr. Bryan has been in touch with Western Power who wished to send a representative to the meeting but the agenda had already been set. Western Power said they would send some information through which has not yet been received so Cllr. Bryan will chase this up. The works are to the benefit of the village – it will stop long power cuts so there are long term benefits but the works could take up to a year to complete.

87. Cllr. Wilson thanked Tony Jarrow for all his works with the Allotment Group as he has now retired as Chairman.

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88. Cllr. Wilson congratulated Cllr. Clarke on his re-election.
89. Cllr. Greenwood enquired the status of the vacancy for a co-opted councillor. The Clerk advised that the adverts had now been published as an election had not been called for and applicants have been invited to apply prior to the next meeting.

Correspondence for Information

90. There is no folder for circulation during the COVID-19 Pandemic as this type of information is being e-mailed.

Date of Next Meeting

91. 6th July at 7.00pm at The Old School with a Zoom Link for Parishioners who do not wish to attend face to face.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.37pm

Chairman's Signature:	Date:
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