

MONKS KIRBY PARISH COUNCIL

Monks Kirby Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 8th February 2022.

No. 1191

Meeting started 6.30pm

Attendees: Cllr. Woolliscroft (Chair), Cllr. Dent (Vice Chair), Cllr. Clarke, Cllr. Partridge, Cllr. Dalby, A Higgins (Clerk), WC. Cllr. Warwick

Apologies: RB Cllr. Gillias, P Wood.

Declarations of Interest with regards to items on the agenda.

Nil

Public Participation Session with regards to items on the agenda (15 minutes).

WC Cllr Adrian Warwick.

Budget

WC Cllr. Warwick confirmed Warwickshire County Council's budget has been set. The budget is split in two with an overall rise of 3.75%. 1.75% for council tax and 2% on adult social care.

Commonwealth Games

Warwickshire County Council have been asked by the County archives for anything relevant / interesting in the area. They are building an archive for the future concerning sports around the county when the games took place.

Virtual Forest

Warwickshire County Council have joined a virtual forest on-line and are planting a tree for every resident. Anyone planting a tree can post it virtually on the site. The Virtual Forest is an opportunity for everyone in the West Midlands to get involved in making the region a greener, happier and healthier place to live, work and play. Further details can be found on this website:

<https://www.warwickshireclimateemergency.org.uk/news/article/40/warwickshire-joins-the-region-s-virtual-forest>

Young Climate Heroes

A competition has been launched aimed at finding young climate heroes. People are being asked to write something / take a photograph of something they've done to help the climate.

Chimney Fires

Warwickshire Fire & Rescue Service have noted an increase in chimney fires. Residents asked to check their chimneys.

Monks Kirby Village Hall Cooker

WC Cllr. Warwick had received a note of thanks from the Village Hall Committee, for the new cooker.

Traffic

Footpath

Cllr. Partridge mentioned the D2027 and the increased foot traffic, asking if a footpath could be installed. WC Cllr. Warwick to look into this, one option may be to make an application under green shoots plan?

Cllr. Woolliscroft queried if there was an existing footpath that could be used?

D2027 Speed Limit

Councillors discussed with WC Cllr. Warwick the possibility of lowering the current speed limit on the D2027 (60mph). WC. Cllr. Warwick confirmed that Police agreement would need to be sought first. An application would then need to be processed to WCC Highways, asking for the speed limit to be reduced.

Action: Clerk / WC Cllr Warwick / Cllr. Woolliscroft

Car Accidents / Debris

Cllr. Woolliscroft mentioned there had been a number of car accidents recently and debris had been left behind. WC Cllr. Warwick confirmed that it was the duty of the insurance companies to remove debris from site.

RB Cllr. Tony Gillias.

N/A

Approval of Minutes of the Meeting held on 11th January 2022.

Proposer – Cllr. Partridge, seconder – Cllr. Clarke.

Matters Arising from the approval of Minutes of the Meeting held on 11th January 2022.

Village Hall Lease

Cllr. Woolliscroft confirmed he received the final draft of the lease today. All refs to the Village Hall Committee have been removed.

Action: Clerk to put on the agenda for march – produce Ts & Cs.

Councillor Vacancy

Cllr. Woolliscroft confirmed that after discussion at last month’s Council meeting, he had approached Paul Wood, who has accepted the role of Councillor and is therefore co-opted till the next election.

Proposer – Cllr. Partridge, seconder – Cllr. Dent.

Action: Clerk to follow-up with paperwork to be signed for March meeting.

Magna Park

Cllr. Woolliscroft confirmed he had attended the recent Magna Park meeting and that £700,000 is still available to spend on Community projects.

Correspondence

Clerks & Councils Direct.

Finance

Online Payments for approval.

Proposer – Cllr. Partridge, seconder – Cllr. Clarke.

Payee	Date	Invoice	Amount
Emily Hobson Work on Fishponds Community Park	01/01/22	January2022	£98.00

Finance – Bank Reconciliation.

Clerk confirmed this was emailed to all Councillors today. Signed by Cllr. Partridge

Finance – Fishponds.

Clerk confirmed funds allocated for the Fishponds Community Park (£8,261.57).

Action: Clerk to move these funds to a separate account.

Proposer – Cllr. Partridge, seconder – Cllr. Clarke.

Fishponds – Rotten Post.

Action: Cllr. Partridge to contact contractor regarding fixing or replacing and also to replace 2 stepping logs as per recent safety inspection.

Warwickshire Police – Community Speed Watch – Speed Devices.

Ongoing

Action: Clerk to investigate.

Public Spaces Protection Order Renewal – Consultation

Action: Cllr. Dent to complete survey

Affordable Housing.

On-hold as the neighbourhood plan is taking longer time than expected to complete.

Planning

R21/0861 – Muswell Leys Farm, Coal Pit Lane, Willey, Rugby, CV23 0SL

Proposed change of use of field to caravan storage with associated security gate, 2-metre-high butterfly banks, security lights and perimeter cameras.

Action: Clerk to feedback that Monks Kirby Parish Council support this application.

Planning – G&T Sites / Meeting with Parish Councils.

WC. Cllr. Warwick confirmed that he had attended a recent meeting with Rugby Borough Council on 24th January.

The meeting had not resulted in any acceptable suggestions to help the problem of the inequitable amount of G&T sites in the north of the borough. Discussion followed and more lobbying is required to bring this matter to the RBC and for action to be instigated.

Drainage / WCC Highways

Cllr. Dent confirmed that she is continuing to liaise with WCC Highways.

A resident had complained about a drain not being cleared opposite her driveway.

Cllr. Dent had confirmed to her contact that a grate in the road, opposite the Alms Houses needed to be cleared.

The contact at WCC Highways confirmed they would be raising a job to clear all grates in Monks Kirby by early Spring.

Neighbourhood Plan.

Ongoing.

Draft chapter being written for the environmental plan.

Parish Information.

Whatsapp / Website / Noticeboard / Round the Revel

Litter pick Saturday 12th March 9.30am. People are to meet at the triangle, near the Denbigh Arms / virtual forest map / chimney fires / new Councillor - Paul Woods / New Clerk – Pete Clegg / recent enquiry re family history within the village.

Solar Farm

Cllr. Dalby confirmed that the building of the Solar Farm has started.

Fishponds – Play Equipment

Cllr. Partridge is liaising with suppliers on obtaining quotes for the above.

Retirement of Jane Wright

Monks Kirby Parish Council expressed their thanks to a resident for producing the leaving card for Jane Wright.

Meeting closed 8.30pm