

QUANTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Council held at the Memorial Hall at 8pm on 7th April 2022

Present:

Councillors: Nicolette Smith (Chairman), Nick Butler, Lee Whitlock, Ward Councillor, Sue Weldon, Brian Fludgate (acting clerk), Katherine Richardson (clerk elect).

Members of the public - 3

1. Chairman's introduction

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Apologies for Absence

RESOLVED c/2022/15 to accept apologies from Ward Councillor Iain Macpherson and PCSO Danny Fahy

3. Declarations of Interests

There were no declarations of interest.

4. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting, had been circulated prior to the meeting, were duly signed by the Chairman as a true and accurate record.

RESOLVED c/2022/16 to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 9th March 2022

5. Buckinghamshire Council matters

5.1 Current engagement with EKFB

- It had been agreed with EKFB for regular meetings with the Parish Council. It was agreed for Cllr Macpherson to request for from EKFB the PDF version of the proposed Station Road configuration.
- The PC had not seen the final design for the reconfiguration of the new road on Station Road. Cllr Macpherson would email it to the councillors.

5.2 Station Road crossroads position

- It was also agreed for Cllr Macpherson to chase the agencies for the report re the Station Road cross roads. The PC was still waiting for feedback from the Police following the Highways Assessment on the safety of the crossroads.

5.3 110 Station Road

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- There was a flooding issue with 110 Station Road and it was agreed for the LAT to be contacted. VAHT had responded and had stated that they would not carry out the works.

5.4 Bus service and railway bridge developments

- There continued to be problems with the bus service. A meeting had been arranged with all parties for 12 April 2022 to discuss the current route and timetable.

5.5 Trail Flat Farm – enforcement

- It was agreed for Buckinghamshire Council Planning Department to be contacted to ask for a formal review of Trail Flatt Farm.

5.6 Community Board

- There is a Community Board engagement event on 30 June 2022

5.7 BMKALC

- There is a Parish Liaison meeting on 20 April 2022

6. Reported Matters Outstanding

6.1 Councillor allocation of responsibilities

- These would be agreed at the next meeting.

7. Transport & Infrastructure

7.1 HS2 works

- The Clerks and Cllr Butler had attended a meeting with EKFB on 30 March 2022 and had requested more information on the proposed road closures. Cllr Butler's report had been circulated.
- The PC had requested a pdf version of all HS2 works including the new road layout.
- EKFB informed the PC that they had a community bus which could visit Quinton. The local community would be able to visit it and ask representatives from EFKB any questions they had.

7.2 Other

- Part of the planning application for the development in North End Road was for the junction at North End Road to be widened. There was causing increased traffic flow along Lower Street.
- The correspondence from Network Rail re the Station Road railway bridge had been forwarded to MP Greg Smith who would write to the Secretary of State Grant Shapps.
- Pot holes continued to be reported through Fix My Street. Pot holes were causing damage

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to cars. Even after a month of the pot holes being reported they still had not been fixed. It was agreed for Cllr Macpherson to escalate.

7.3 Footpath alterations and traffic calming measures – Station Road

- Barwood Homes had met with the Clerk and Cllr Weldon on 25 February 2022 to discuss the proposed traffic calming measures to be positioned outside the Old Farmhouse along Station Road. It was proposed for a build out to make the road single lane and for the footpath to be extended (outside The Old Farmhouse. It was agreed for the Clerk to ask Barwood Homes if they would be able to fund the installation of the 4 new poles for the SIDs.

RESOLVED c/2022/17 Councillors agreed for the build out to make the road a single lane to not go ahead.

7.4 Speed Indicator Device (SID) data recording and analysis

- The PC needed to find a company to install 4 poles for the SIDs. The cost of the 2 new SIDs was £7,000 with an additional £2,000 for maintenance costs.

8. Planning Matters

8.1 Ref. 22/00979/APP – 135 Station Road

- Outline planning permission for the demolition of existing dwelling and erection of 12 dwellings and garages. 135 Station Road. The deadline for the PC to comment was 5 May 2022. It was agreed for Cllrs to forward their comments to the Clerk to submit to planning as the deadline was before the next PC meeting.

8.2 Modified Neighbourhood Plan

- The modified Neighbourhood Plan was in the process of being examined which would take approximately 7-8 weeks. An update would be given at the next meeting.

9. Clerks Report

9.1 Clerk transfer of responsibilities

- It was planned for the new Clerk to take over from 1 May 2022. This would be the last meeting for the Brian Fludgate. Cllrs thanked him for all his work as Clerk and for coming back to support when there had been a vacancy.

9.2 Councillor vacancies

- There had been no public request to Buckinghamshire Council to hold an election, following the resignation of Cllr Knox. Therefore, this vacancy may be filled by co-option. There are 3 Co-opted vacancies.

10. Finance

10.1 The April Finance Report had been previously circulated for review.

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10.2 Payments pending previously Circulated			10.3 Receipts reported	
OLB553	CHOW materials	86.71		
OLB554	HMRC March	221.20	HS2 Road Safety Fund	6,178.00
OLB555	Clerks salary (BF)	277.20	Interest	0.19
OLB556	Office expenses (KR)	16.62	Castle Water rebate	41.69
OLB557	Office expenses (BF)	48.62		
OLB558	Clerks salary (KR)	145.95		
OLB559	SID maintenance	2,358.00		
OLB560	NP Data Search facility	30.00		
OLB561	Jubilee Piper	60.00		
OLB562	PWLB Loan Payment	2,246.20		
DD	Streetlight supply Jan	56.28		
DD	Streetlight supply Feb	49.44		
DD	Parish Mobile phone	21.20		

RESOLVED c/2022/18 to approve the payments pending as recorded.

10.4 Bank Reconciliation (£)

Brought forward 2021/22	33271.80	Reserve account	21,942.56
Receipts to date	45018.62	Current account	17,279.03
total	78,290.42	total	39,221.59
Less payments to date	39,068.83	Plus received not banked	Nil
Bank balance at 31 March 2022	39,221.59		39,221.59

10.5 Quotes and donation requests

- There were no quotes or donation requests.

10.6 Bank signatories

- The bank signatories had been submitted and the Clerk was waiting for confirmation from the bank.

11. To review public correspondence

- Various correspondence re the bus service.
- Email from a resident requesting information on facilities in the village for the elderly. Response had been provided.

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12. Recreational Reports

- Cllr Butler had circulated his report.
- Cllrs agreed for a larger dog bin to be purchased, opposite the dog field, due to being full.
- The playground at Seechfield had been closed as unsafe. The PC had been contacted to try and help resolve the situation, but it was agreed it was a matter for the housing association to repair the equipment.

13. Business for next meeting

The Chairman's Annual Report.

Being no further business, the chairman declared the meeting closed at 9.46pm.

Date of Next Meeting

To be the Annual Meeting of the Council to be held on 12 May 2022 at 7.30pm.

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