

WINFRITH NEWBURGH & EAST KNIGHTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes

Monday 22nd June 2020

Held via Zoom

Continuation meeting from the 8th June 2020

Starting at 7pm

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Councillors present

Nic Johnson (Chairman), Brenda Mustoe (Vice-Chair), Amanda Williams, Richard Barrett, Andy Muir and Charles Smith.

Parishioners 6

Clerk Mandy Stephens

The Chairman explained that this meeting is a continuation of our last meeting held on the 8th June 2020 to discuss 3 items that we did not have enough time to deal with due to the constricted time on Zoom

1 Apologies – none

2 Traffic through the village

83. Cllr Mustoe started off by reporting on the recent Sub-Committee meeting.

1. To chase Cllr Laura Miller about the action plan for controlling the excessive volumes of traffic, which since the meeting has now come through.

2 Highways came back with some basic ideas to help with the speed and volume of traffic. There are two positions in the village where white lines would be on the sides of the road for a short distance and then horizontal yellow lines on Water Lane and preceding them beyond the 30mph speed limit on the Lulworth road. The group were underwhelmed by this approach and decided to go back to them to find out why the other ideas discussed have not been considered.

It was also discussed about a more visual impact on approaching the village, to make people aware that the village is lived in. To establish a village centre, possibly planting trees or signs. Jon Lake (Highways) has been approached with such an idea. Sub-Committee members are doing research into how other villages look visually to get some ideas.

It was asked if the dangerous road from the village to Lulworth could be included and the public health issues. Cllr Mustoe replied that these are all

covered under the remit of Safety, which does cover the Environment issues.

83. Cllrs raised issues over -

The length of time it will take to have a follow up meeting in September to see how the traffic plan worked out. It was felt that intermediate meetings would be needed, especially if the traffic plans fail.

The pre-paid parking scheme should be in place at Lulworth Cove along side Durdle Door. This would raise the ability to predict the numbers. When the car parks are full, through social media or other forms it can be advertised that the local roads would be closed. The Estate cannot be allowed to expand on their current car parking allocations.

Clarification of soft and hard closures was requested and the separate car parking numbers at Lulworth Cove and Durdle Door from Cllr Miller.

The Chairman said it needs to be trialled out first to see how it works, then if it fails in any area it can then be addressed before September.

It was put to the Council to see if they were interested in a Close Pass Day happening in the village. This is were a horse rider or cyclist goes through the village or is stationed at the end of the village to see how motorists drive past them. The Cllrs felt that anything to help with safe driving would be a benefit. The parishioner will make further enquiries.

Emily the clerk from West Lulworth Parish Council reported that they were in a similar position and were; awaiting to see how the traffic plan worked.

3 Defibrillator & proposals to use the telephone box

84. A write up has gone into the Parish News about the launch of the fundraising campaign. The group is in touch with the Community Heartbeat Trust who will help with the siting of the defibrillators. The group are still awaiting answers to their two questions.

1 If the Parish Council will buy the defibrillator on their behalf?

The parish Council do not have an answer to this yet.

2. If the phone box can be used to site a defibrillator.? The Chairman replied that the Council are not in a position yet to make that decision due to the condition of the phone box and its ongoing repair / upkeep.

85. The clerk updated the Council that the door on the phone box needs replacing. This has been handed over to the Conservation Officer for his agreement.

4 Land adjacent to the proposed Blueberry Farm

86. The clerk reported that the latest from the planning officer is that the planning application for Blueberry Farm is that the Technical Officer is still awaiting additional documents. The enforcement enquiry regarding the land

adjacent is logged and on the system. The planning officer reported that they were in conversation with the landowner and will update the Council when there is something to report.

87. The Chairman said he was unhappy with the planning department on this and other applications. The clerk was asked to contact Cllr Laura Miller to ask for further help on this.

Meeting closed at 19.40hrs