

Minutes of Allensmore Parish Council Meeting held on 18th March 2021 online via Zoom Platform during the Covid 19 Pandemic from 7.30pm

Present on Zoom: Cllrs J Evans, S Lawrence, J Lawrence, T Cramp (Chair), S Williams, Y Chapman and Cllr C Watkinson (Vice Chair)

In attendance: Mrs A Wright (Clerk), Ward Cllr Christy Bolderson, and one member of the public.

Zoom Session 1 ended at 8.10 pm. Zoom Session 2 commenced at 8.15 pm.

1. Introduction and welcome by the Chairman

The Chair of the Parish Council, Cllr Tony Cramp, welcomed everyone to the online meeting.

2. Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies.

3. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

4. Open Session

It was commented that the daffodils planted alongside the A465 were "looking gorgeous".

Repairs were required to potholes near to "The Butts". Some had been filled and others appeared to have been missed. There were also potholes on the road opposite the Village Hall leading back towards Cobhall Common, near Tything Road.

5. Brief Verbal Reports:

5.1 Local Policing Team: Bulletin updates had been circulated.

5.2 Lengthsman Co-ordinator: Cllr J Lawrence advised that lots of the items on the grant list had been completed. The remainder were being worked through. Cllr J Lawrence would check where the activities had got to. The work would be completed in the prescribed timeframe. Thanks were recorded to the Chair for wording the request for an extension to the deadline for completion of works. The invoices would be submitted in a timely manner. A good job had been carried out so far in cleaning

culverts, gullies etc. Some attention was required with the pipes near to "The Butts". One pipe was clear but the other was not. The ditches had been dug out quite deeply near "The Butts" and wider grips had been cut in. A pipe had been laid into the ditch where required and then backfilled.

5.3 Ward Councillor:

Ward Cllr Christy Bolderson updated the Meeting about further full council matters. She had circulated her report. Independent Remuneration Panellists were required to look at the Member's pay rates. Roads and resurfacing were under review and the Balfour Beatty Annual Plan Briefing was to come out on 29/03/21. Items required for action to be advised. The clay pipe upgrade for Cobhall Common had been put forward and any other specifics were to be advised. The collapsed drain down by the Cattery was covered under the grant work brief. The Cabinet Member was committed to upgrading some of the roads in the southern parishes. The Ward Cllr asked to be copied into any requests for such works. Cllrs J Lawrence and T Cramp would confirm the wish list of roads for consideration of repair/resurfacing to the Ward Cllr.

5.4 Locality Steward

The Locality Steward had kept members informed via bulletins.

5.5 Footpath Officer – The Footpath Officer Cllr Steve Williams advised that he had been working through the issues at hand. The trees on footpath AN7 were being sorted out and there were stiles requiring repair or replacement on footpath AN6. The Lengthsman had been asked to provide a quotation to repair the bridge on footpath AN12 where the handrail and bearers were broken. There was also a fingerpost missing on footpath AN14 where a gate had been re-hung and the post had disappeared. A quote to fix these of £480.00 plus VAT had been obtained from the Lengthsman to make the repairs to bridge, post etc. Clehonger Parish had advised of some issues with stiles where a number were broken. Cllr Williams had spoken with the Locality Steward. There were two options, like for like replacements free of charge or to install gates which would use the budget. It was agreed that it would be good to replace the broken stiles with gates if possible. The Parish Council agreed the quotation for the quoted items for the bridge and finger post etc. as detailed by Cllr Williams. Cllr Williams would aim to get the figures prepared for the replacement of the three stiles with gates by the May Meeting.

6. To approve Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 21st January 2021.

Resolved: - The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting, held on 21st January 2021, were approved by the Council

7. Clerk Update and Correspondence

The Clerk updated the Meeting regarding correspondence received. This included:

Herefordshire Council

ROAD CLOSURES - FEBRUARY/MARCH 2021 - 26.02.2021

Talk Community Covid update 26 February 2021

Some useful information in regard to fraud and cyber attacks (via the Police):

Web address for Action Fraud: - <https://www.actionfraud.police.uk/report-phishing>

Any suspicious texts could be forwarded to mobile phone number: - 7726

Any suspicious e mails could be reported to: - report@phishing.gov.uk

Dog Fouling

Correspondence had been received from a junior resident who was concerned about dog fouling. Cllr Chapman had liaised with the Parish Council and had responded to the resident and had also made contact with the pupil's school after checking this was okay. The aim would be to try to involve children in an awareness campaign and with poster designs being one idea. The Council would reaffirm the wish for the continuation of dog warden and enforcement services. Publicity to remind dog owners to clear up after their pets would be utilised and awareness raised of the potential health and safety issues for livestock such as sheep and cattle also. The parish council would approve any circular to be published on the topic.

8. Neighbourhood Plan – update on progression (as applicable)

The Allensmore Neighbourhood Plan was scheduled for referendum on 6th May 2021. Polling cards would be out on 22/03/21. The notice of the referendum would come out from Herefordshire Council. The Clerk advised that any publicity, about the referendum, should be informative but not designed to lobby for a desired outcome, one way or the other. Thanks were conveyed to all involved in bringing matters thus far.

9. Finance

(9.1) **Resolved:** The following list of payments were approved, prop by Cllr S Williams and sec Cllr T Cramp:

Mrs A Wright (salary paid in accordance with contract)	
Tax due on salary payment (Payable to HMRC only)	£90.40
T Cramp (web hosting)	£50.10

(10.2) **Resolved:** The bank balance was noted at £10020.97.

10. Planning

Three applications had been received for consideration of comments:

APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS: Planning Consultation - 210309 - Land at Pool Farm, Allensmore, Hereford, Herefordshire HR2 9AX

DESCRIPTION: Proposed log cabin for tourism, with associated car parking and access. Works to include demolition of storage barn

GRID REF: OS 344880, 234614

APPLICATION TYPE: Planning Permission

The application 201309 would be commented on following liaison with neighbours of the site. The access and exit were thought to be obscured by hedging which may require action to provide a clear view. Final comments would be circulated before submission.

APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS: Planning Consultation - 210194 - Silverdale, Winnal, Hereford, Herefordshire HR2 9BS

DESCRIPTION: Proposed removal of condition 3 of planning permission SH300/75/0 (Erection of an agricultural workers dwelling & garage) - removal of agricultural occupancy condition.

GRID REF: OS 345440, 234926

APPLICATION TYPE: Planning Permission

The removal of an agricultural occupancy condition, as requested in application 210194, would be objected to by the parish council.

APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS: Planning Consultation - 204042 - Locks Garage, Allensmore, Hereford, Herefordshire HR2 9AS

DESCRIPTION: Proposed erection of a building (Large shed) for the sale of take away food and ice cream. The building is to be located adjacent to a car wash which is part of a garage forecourt. Current social distancing rules prevent these sales taking place in the current shop.

GRID REF: OS 345609, 233841

APPLICATION TYPE: Planning Permission

The application, 204042, for an alternative building for ice cream and take away food at Locks Garage would not be objected to by the parish council.

11. Update on parish drainage, pipe work and flooding issues

This had been covered under Lengthsman Co-ordinator update.

12. Village Matters including any update regarding broadband

No further matters were raised.

13. Items for next Agenda

All the usual items would be on the Agenda.

14. Confirmation of date of next Meeting

The next Meeting of the Parish Council would be held on 20th March 2021 with venue or Zoom to be confirmed.

The Meeting closed at 8.53 pm

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Signedas a true record by Councillor (Chairman)

Dated: - 20th May 2021

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