Minutes of Allensmore Parish Council Meeting held on 19th November 2020 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) and Cllr C Watkinson

In attendance: Mrs A Wright (Clerk), Ward Cllr Christy Bolderson, and 4 members of the public.

1. Introduction and welcome by the Chairman

The Chair of the Parish Council, Cllr Tony Cramp, welcomed everyone to the online meeting. The Chair advised those present of the passing of Cllr Derek Cooke. Derek had been a councillor for many years and tribute was paid to his service to the parish council and the community. Condolences to the family were expressed. The meeting observed a minutes silence for Derek.

2. Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies. Cllr S Williams was not present.

3. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

4. Open Session

The issue of speeding in the village of Winnal was raised. Vehicles had been observed "racing through" the village and they were believed to be exceeding the speed limit specified for the road. Estimates of the speed had been noted at 60 – 70 mph which was not considered safe, given the presence of "S" bends and brows of hills etc. along the country lanes. The information received from the Traffic Safety Advisor on the 21/09/20 was shared, following previous correspondence about local speeding, and it was agreed that registration numbers would be reported as and when they were able to be obtained without anyone putting themselves at risk. The situation would be kept under review and speed in the community warning stickers would be made available.

5. Brief Verbal Reports:

5.1 **Local Policing Team:** Bulletin updates had been circulated.

- 5.2 **Lengthsman Co-ordinator**: Cllr J Lawrence updated the meeting regarding local drainage issues and there was further update under item 11.0
- 5.3 **Ward Councillor:** Ward Cllr Christy Bolderson gave an update.

The Ward Cllr updated the Meeting about further full council matters.

5.4 Locality Steward

The Locality Steward had kept members informed via bulletins.

A grant to fund some of the specified works had been agreed. Grant monies are to be claimed in stages as work is completed and contractor submits invoices.

5.5 **Footpath Officer** – The Footpath Officer Cllr Steve Williams was not present at the meeting.

6. To approve Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 17th September 2020.

Resolved: - The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting, held on 17th September 2020, were approved by the Council

7. Clerk Update and Correspondence

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

Herefordshire Council

- Road closures and highways works
- Covid19 Community Leaders update
- Licensing Policy 2020-2025 Consultation and covid signs in city and market towns
- Covid-19 recovery visitor economy

Civic Voice

Civic Voice's White Paper Webinars and further updates

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

The Allensmore Neighbourhood Plan was still awaiting the referendum. It was hoped that this would be scheduled in May 2021.

9. Finance

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

Mrs A Wright (salary paid in accordance with contract)

Tax due on salary payment (Payable to HMRC only)

£102.40

Wye Water Services £216.00 T Griffiths (Lengthsman TGC 1276) £246.00

(9.2) **Resolved:** The bank balance was noted at £11655.73.

(9.3) to determine budget and Precept request for 2021 – 2022

The Parish Council discussed the budget and precept requirement for 2021 - 2022. It was resolved that the precept would remain at £6250.00. This was carried unanimously. The Clerk would submit the request to the Finance Department at Herefordshire Council.

(9.4) to consider request for donation from Dore Community Transport

The request for support from Dore Community Transport was considered and it was resolved to make a donation of £100.00. The Clerk would arrange for this to be sent to DCT.

10. Planning

There was an application considered and commented between the meetings:

APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS: Planning Re-consultation - 200299 - Land adjacent Garnom, Birch Hill, Clehonger, Herefordshire,

DESCRIPTION: Proposed erection of two dwelling houses with shared vehicle access.

GRID REF: OS 345180, 237113

APPLICATION TYPE: Planning Permission (Amended)

The Parish Council had responded to the amended proposals to reiterate their former objection to 200299.

The Parish Council would consider the following application, 203574, and respond between meetings:

APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS: Planning Consultation - 203754 - 1 Rose

Cottages, Allensmore, Hereford, Herefordshire HR2 9BN

DESCRIPTION: Proposed conservatory to rear.

GRID REF: OS 345413, 235651

APPLICATION TYPE: Full Householder

11. Update on parish drainage, pipe work and flooding issues including grant application for funding for drainage works

There was a brief update on local issues. Cllr Evans described how some local pipes had been rodded and cut into and cleared as far as possible. Thanks were recorded to Cllr Evans for his work on sorting out progress with some of the drainage issues. There had been some investigative camera work carried out and more camera work would likely be required, going forward, to monitor progress. A list of remedial drainage works, to be carried out, had been compiled and the parish council had been successful in claiming grant funding for a number of drainage projects which would be progressed over the coming months. The Cllrs were in possession of a list of required jobs to be progressed and the Locality Steward and drainage teams would be consulted regarding ongoing works that had been logged with them. The Ward Cllr would check where the logged drainage works for the A465 and other notified works had progressed to in the list of jobs requiring action from Balfour Beatty. The parish council would commission the carrying out of the list of grant funded jobs in due course.

12. Village Matters

No further items were discussed.

13. Items for next Agenda

All the usual items would be on the Agenda and flooding/drainage.

14. Confirmation of date of next Meeting

The next Meeting of the Parish Council would be held on 21st January 2021 with venue or Zoom to be confirmed.

The Meeting closed at 8.45 pm

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Signedas a true record by Councillor (Chairman)

Dated: - 21st January 2021

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