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#### MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD REMOTELY ON WEDNESDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2021 AT 7.30PM

**Present:** Cllrs Nicholls (Chairman), Blowers, Fairley, Hardy, Heaney, Lord, Mander and Robinson. **Also present:** TDC Cllrs Scott and Wiggins, and Lizzie Ridout (Parish Clerk) **Members of the Public:** None

- 1. Welcome and apologies for absence Apologies for absence were submitted from ECC Cllr Guglielmi.
- 2. Minutes of the last meeting The minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2021, previously circulated, were approved and signed as a correct record.
- 3. Declarations of Interest There were none.
- 4. Public Participation
  - There was none.
- 5. Planning Determination for information only

REFERENCE	PROPOSAL	LOCATION	DECISION
20/01572/FUL Mr A Fairley - Henry Fairley and Son Limited	Proposed general purpose agricultural building.	Park Farm Hilliards Road Great Bromley CO7 7US	Approval - Full 05.01.2021

The planning determination was noted.

- 6. Reports
  - a) County Councillor's Report report to be circulated when received.
  - b) District Councillors' Reports circulated prior to the meeting.
  - c) Parish Councillors' Reports

Several sites of flooding were reported as follows:

- Hall Road;
- Peace Cottages, Badley Hall Road;
- Opposite Chapel Lane road flooded and footpath impassable due to blocked gulley;
- Bottom of Parsons Hill due to blocked gulley;
- Park Cottages; and
- Coppice View, Carrington's Road

These sites would be referred to Essex Highways for investigation.

Cllr Hardy had reported an abandoned vehicle on the verge of the A133 slip road towards Frating roundabout. TDC was aware and was in the process of contacting the owner prior to arranging removal. It was agreed to report the issue of speeding on the slip roads to the Acting District Commander for Tendring.

Cllr Lord reported that the majority of fly-tipping on Park Road had been cleared. The fly-tipping in the ditch remained as that was the responsibility of the landowner.

Cllr Nicholls reported that the shop sited at Little Paddocks was progressing. He had also reviewed the Village Appraisal.

- d) Clerk's Report and Correspondence received
  - Graham Smith had kindly volunteered to take over the coordination of the

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Speedwatch group;

- The Bromley 10K had postponed their event following Government guidelines; and
- Essex Police had advised there had been an increase in the theft of catalytic converters in rural areas.

## 7. Action Sheet review and update

The actions from the last meeting were reviewed and noted.

## 8. Accounts

The Accounts Monitoring Officer confirmed the accounts are in order and the Clerk reported the LCTS grant from TDC of £175.00 for 2021/22.

#### 9. Highways update

Cllr Heaney reported the dips on Park Road were worsening.

# 10. Replacement noticeboards

Three quotes received for replacement wooden noticeboards at Hare Green and Church Meadow were considered. Cllr Nicholls proposed to accept the cheapest quote, which was from Paul Brown, Cllr Heaney seconded and all were in favour. It was suggested to use the existing posts at Hare Green. The Clerk undertook to arrange installation with Mr Brown.

## 11. Pedestrian entrance at Church Meadow

Cllr Nicholls reported that some residents were concerned about the safety of the pedestrian entrance to Church Meadow on Badley Hall Road. The Clerk undertook to liaise with Essex Highways for advice. Cllr Lord would speak to the Head teacher of St George's School to remind pupils, parents and carers of the Green Cross Code.

## 12. Benches

It had previously been agreed to install new benches at Church Meadow and Hare Green, potentially using S106 monies. Cllr Nicholls requested suggestions for engraving for the benches to be emailed to all councillors for agreement.

#### 13. Potential hedge planting scheme

Members considered a potential hedge planting scheme for Park Road and discussed various options which included applying for a grant from TDC to over half of the cost. It was agreed to establish ownership of the strip of land and discuss further at the next meeting.

#### 14. Litter picking and fly tipping

Members considered options to try to reduce the amount of rubbish and flytipping in the village. Cllr Nicholls thanked Mr & Mrs Robinson for clearing litter from the ditch on Parsons Hill. The Maintenance team would further clear the ditch along Parsons Hill. The Clerk undertook to request Veolia to litter pick the A133 verges on slip roads.

Cllr Blowers proposed to purchase 20 sets of litter pickers, hoops and bags to give to residents who wished to undertake voluntary litter picks, Cllr Heaney seconded and all agreed.

# 15. To approve the following payments:

Clerk's salary	£574.55
HMRC	£143.60
Great Bromley Village Hall	£22.50
Lewis Mander – Village Maintenance	£66.20
TDC Print Unit – printing	£18.54

The payments were approved.

## 16. Date of next meeting

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2021 at 7.30pm via MS Teams.

# 17. Items for next meeting and any other business

Cllr Hardy reported that County Broadband installations had been delayed due to the severe weather for one week. Connections were expected from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2021.

The meeting closed at 8.43pm