

**Minutes of the virtual meeting of Birdingbury Parish Council  
held on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2021**

**Present:** Cllrs French, Preston, Morton, Cllr Mrs Kendell, District Cllr Mrs Crane

**In attendance:** Jackie Chapman (Clerk)

**1. Welcome.**

Cllr French opened the meeting at 19:35 hrs and welcomed those present.

**2. To accept apologies for absence**

Cllr Cutts – apologies accepted.

Cllr French, on behalf of Birdingbury Parish Council and the residents of Birdingbury, offered the Royal Family sincere condolences following the death of HRH Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh.

Cllr French, on behalf of Birdingbury Parish Council and the residents of Birdingbury, offered HRH The Queen congratulations on her 95<sup>th</sup> birthday on 21<sup>st</sup> April 2021.

**3. Declaration of interest**

None

**4. Representations from the public**

2 members of the public were present and they explained to the Parish Council and Cllr Mrs Crane the problems they are suffering as a result of noise and nuisance emanating from a unit on the Munro Business Park. The Clerk will send Cllr Mrs Crane details of how often this problem has been raised with the Parish Council.

**5. Minutes**

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2021 were agreed as a true and complete record.

**5.1** The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021 were agreed as a true and complete record.

**6. Reports from County and Borough Councillors**

County Cllr Roberts was not present.

District Cllr Mrs Crane advised Rugby Borough Council are revising their grant process and it is likely the work will not be completed until later in the year.

20:12 hrs Cllr Mrs Crane left the meeting.

**7. Reports from Councillors**

Cllr Mrs Kendell stated she had received positive feedback regarding the village litter pick. There was a good community spirit and it was well attended. Cllr Mrs Kendell thanked all the residents who took part.

Clerk to obtain some more litter picking sticks.

Cllr French advised the Parish Council of the death of Bill Cowley. Mr Cowley was a great stalwart of the village and will be sadly missed

## 8. Planning Applications

8.1 The following planning applications have been received since 10<sup>th</sup> March 2021.

Number	Address	Proposed	Comments due by
R21/0347	Pear Tree Cottage, Back Lane. Birdingbury, CV23 8EN	Variation of condition amendment to approved plans of the previously approved planning permission R18/2238	No representation
R21/0271	Springhill, Marton Road, Birdingbury, CV23 8ER	Proposed erection of single storey front porch and change of use of building from farm welfare unit to also include usage for short term holiday lets.	Comments due by 5 <sup>th</sup> May 2021 *

\* Cllrs Morton and French to visit the site if possible.

8.2 The following planning decision has been received since the last Parish Council meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> March 2021.

Number	Address	Decision
R21/0055	Unit 1-2 Munro Business Park, Marton Road, Birdingbury CV23 8EH	Approved

8.3 Appeals - none received.

### 8.4 R20/0611

This item was discussed under Agenda item 4, public representation.

## 9. Financial Issues

### 9.1 Payments made during 2020 – 2021 which require approval.

Payee	Amount £
Frank Mann Farmers – July 2020 grass cutting	414.00
Frank Mann Farmers – October/November 2020 grass cutting	357.60
Mr A Dollar Hedge Trimming	156.00

It was proposed by Cllr Preston and  
**RESOLVED** the payments be agreed.

### 9.2 Approval of cheques –

Payee	Amount £
Clerk Salary March 2021	
Mrs J Chapman reimbursement of Zoom costs, one third of Zoom costs for April 2021 (£115.10 annual discounted subscription divided by 3 = £38.40 per Council, divided by 12 = £3.20 per month)	3.20
HMRC 1 <sup>st</sup> Jan 2021 – 31 <sup>st</sup> Mar 2021	105.80
Ms D Stevens – Balance due on payment made on cheque 000891, payment should have been £97.60, figures were transposed to £79.60, so £18.00 due	18.00
Ms D Stevens, payment for the website and email facility for invoice dates 28.09.2020, 28.10.2020, 28.11.2020, 28.12.2020, 28.01.2021, 28.02.2021, 28.03.2021 7months @ £7.20 per month	50.40
WALC Membership 2021 – 2022	148.00

Godfrey Payton – Licence fee for The Hovel	10.00
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It was proposed by Cllr Morton and  
**RESOLVED** the payments be made

**9.3 Bank Balance Reconciliation**

Bank statement and reconciliation as at 31.03.2020 – Agreed and noted.

**9.4 Budget Report as at 31.03.2021**

Agreed and noted

**10. Recreation Ground**

The Clerk advised Mr Lennon has confirmed he will undertake the repairs to the equipment.

It was agreed Cllr Morton and Cllr French will put together a specification for the new entrance to the recreation ground, to enable the Clerk to see quotes.

**11. Broadband**

Cllr French and Cllr Mrs Kendell have received information from BT which shows 50% of the properties in Birdingbury already have over 100mb, so they would not be eligible for any grant.

Cllr Mrs Kendell has looked on Broadband Checker and Community Fibre and no property in the village has more than 80mbs. Cllr Mrs Kendell will contact BT and ask them to re-check the information they have provided.

**12. Rubbish Bins and Dog Bins**

The Clerk advised she is awaiting contact from an officer at Rugby Borough Council.

**13. Annual Parish Council Meeting**

The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2021.

**14. Newcomers to the Village**

None

**15. Correspondence received and action required**

Noted

**16. Items for the next Agenda**

Recreation Field, Budget, Glebe Field, Broadband

**17. Date of next meeting 18<sup>th</sup> May 2021 @ 7.30 pm**

Meeting ended 21:20

Signed

Date