

# GLINTON PARISH COUNCIL

## PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

held on Tuesday

11<sup>th</sup> August, 2020

Using the ZOOM software application to hold virtual meetings as permitted by Covid-19 legislation

**Present:** Councillors; D Batty, J Bell, Mrs Bysse, J Holdich, OBE (Chairman), R Johnson, G Kirt, D Lane, R Randall, P Skinner, C Wilde and Mr JV Haste (Clerk). 1 member of the public also present.

## MINUTES OF MEETING

- 379 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** – None - post meeting note - Councillor Spendelow attempted to join the meeting but was unable to be admitted due to not being visible to the host.
- 380 MEMBERS DECLARATION OF INTERESTS** – None
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- 381 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**
- a. A resident urged the parish council to consider writing to the planning authority requesting that the planning application by Larkfleet Homes be dealt with as soon as possible. He feared that delay was to the advantage of the developer if a refusal was followed by an appeal at a later date. Clerk to write
  - b. The resident referred to the brambles overgrowing the footpath / cycleway towards Northborough and considered these to be a safety hazard. The chairman had already emailed asking for these to be cut back and would repeat the request after the meeting.
  - c. Cllr Kirt, agreed with the resident on both counts and pointed out that the brambles were in his view on the highway adopted land
  - d. Cllr Batty raised the concerns of residents in experiencing difficulty in accessing the Deepings Practice as the Glinton surgery was closed. The clerk was asked to write to the practice manager asking for details of the plans to resume services at the Glinton Surgery Clerk to write
- 382 TO SIGN AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING** - We unanimously **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes and these were to be duly signed by the Chairman when we next meet.
- Proposed Cllr. R Johnson seconded Cllr. D Lane
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- 383 MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES** (Information Only) None
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- 384 PLANNING** – Councillor Johnson introduced planning matters:
- a. **The current status of planning applications** had been circulated with the agenda and we noted that Forge Cottage application had been approved. We were reminded that the parish council had opposed the application and asked for the matter to be referred to a planning committee if the officers were minded to approve the application. The clerk had written to the head of planning asking for explanations and it transpired that the matter had been referred to committee but that through human error the parish council had not been made aware of that meeting and had not therefore been present. The Head of planning had apologised for the omission. Various councillors spoke on the matter and were appalled that their observations counted for so little. The clerk was instructed to write in the strongest possible terms to the Head of planning and felt that the omission bordered on the illegal and at best the officer or officers responsible had acted in a totally unprofessional manner and should be dealt with accordingly. Furthermore the parish council asked what measures were being put in place to absolutely ensure that there would be no recurrence.
  - b. **20/00824/HHFUL – 10 The Willows** - We noted that although this application had been considered at the previous meeting two sets of revised plans had been submitted after our consideration. We still have no objections to the application but would support any legitimate objections by neighbours. Clerk to inform Planning

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c. **20/00853/FUL – Arthur Mellows Village College** – The plans had been circulated to the planning working group and all councillors had access to the plans along with the agenda for this meeting – No objections were raised

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Clerk to inform Planning

d. **20/00904/PRIOR & 20/00888/FUL – 9a High street** – Change of Use and details of the external treatment proposed for the property. We considered these two applications together and it was apparent that the ground floor plans together with some of the detail were included with the Change of use application. We noted that the premises were adjacent to a bus stop, on a busy pedestrian school route with on road parking restrictions. Councillors raised a number of concerns over safety; placement and number of bins; detrimental impact on the street scene; parking, potential hazard to children moving to and from schools. We considered that the site was simply not big enough for the proposed conversion to increase the number of flats by six from the present two to eight. We **RESOLVED** to vigorously oppose both applications as vastly overdevelopment of the site by the applicant and without consideration of the safety issues.

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e. **NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN** – Cllr. Kirt explained that the parish council and the NP working group had been asked to sign a waiver to the requirement for a hard copy of the NP to be available in the village for the statutory consultation period. Given that the only two possible locations, post office or chemist shop and that the Covid-19 restrictions required sanitization after each viewing, the waiver was the only real option to make progress on the NP. We noted that copies were available online on the NP website and those of the city and parish councils. Hard copy is also available, by appointment, at the main office building of Peterborough City council. We wholeheartedly endorsed the signing of the waiver and noted that the consultation period would end on 2<sup>nd</sup> October.

**385 COMMUNITY MATTERS –**

a. **GOOD NEIGHBOURS TRUST REPORT - Councillor Wilde** reported the appointment of Cate Harding as coordinator and administrator. Peterborough City council had provided initial funding and that the parishes of Northborough and Peakirk had expressed an interest in joining the scheme

b. **COMMEMORATIVE BENCHES AND ADDITIONAL WASTE BINS** – We considered a report from the clerk on the options available for the additional bench seat and noted the quotations of Peterborough City council (PCC) for the provision of two additional waste bins. We also noted that PCC would replace four bins with larger 180 litre bins of the covered variety. We also noted the PCC quotes for supply & installation; or installation only; of the additional bench. We **RESOLVED** to approve the purchase of the two additional bins at a cost of £630; authorise the acceptance of the PCC quotes for installation of the WW2 commemorative bench and relocation of the poo bin on Welmore road. In addition we authorised the purchase of a Phoenix recycled material seat from Glasdon with fixings and a memorial plaque together with installation by PCC on a concrete base. Total cost of £2010 within the budget set aside of £2240

Proposed Cllr. Johnson Seconded Cllr. Kirt

**386 DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Tuesday September 15<sup>th</sup>**

Meeting closed 8.47pm



Clerk/Proper Officer,  
12<sup>th</sup> August 2020

Chairman  
Dated: