Bourton on the Hill Parish Council

MINUTES FROM THE ONLINE ZOOM MEETING OF BOURTON ON THE HILL PARISH COUNCIL ON **TUESDAY 9TH FEBRUARY 2021 AT 6:35PM**FOLLOWING THE COVID-19 RESTRICTION GUIDELINES.

PRESENT: CLLR ANDY VIGRASS, CLLR LIZ BOWDEN, CLLR MARK NORTON, CLLR TOM MARTIN, CLLR ANGELA HAY, CLLR ANNA STANLEY, CLLR LOUISE DAVIS AND ALEXIA MONROE (CLERK). MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: 0

- 1 Welcome and apologies for absence: District Councillor Clive Webster has offered his apologies.
- 2 Declaration of Councillors interests for items on the agenda: none.
- 3 The minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on December 8th 2020 were proposed by Cllr Vigrass and accepted unanimously.
- 4 Matters arising from the previous minutes:
- 4.1 The Campaign to Protect Rural England (CPRE) do not want the Bledisloe Cup sign returned and it will be removed when the weather improves.
- 4.2 The tenancy with the Batsford Estate for the allotments has been requested and once received will be given by the Clerk to Tom Dixon.
- 4.3 The Clerk to check with Tom Dixon about the offer of Gloucester County Council (GCC) to replace trees in the parish following the removal of trees due to ash dieback.
- 5 Finance:
- 5.1 The Responsible Finance Officer gave a brief report for the last quarter of the year.
- 5.2 The purchase of a new defibrillator cabinet for the Old School Hall at £395 + vat (10 year warranty, thermostatically controlled and fully insulated) and the associated electrical works was discussed. It was decided that Cllr Norton would continue to monitor & assess the effectiveness of the battery and report back when a new cabinet was needed.
- 5.3 St Lawrence PCC have requested that the annual donation towards the maintenance of the church clock and mowing of the churchyard be increased from last year's donation of £500 due to financial difficulties resulting from the pandemic. Following a discussion, the councillors decided to make a donation of the same figure of £500 this year.
- 5.4 Items paid by BACS: Community Heartbeat Trust new defibrillator battery £204.00; Lazenby IT £1.87 software security direct debit subscription.
- 6 Highways:
- 6.1 GCC Councillor Lynden Stowe had asked for recommendations where three locations for speed checking equipment could be placed to see if a reduction to 20 mph is feasible. Following a discussion, the top of the village where the traffic coming into the village is particularly fast, outside Porch House by the church and below the turning to Fenhill Close was agreed.
- 6.2 The two rubber strips on the road by Bourton House would be queried with Cllr Lynden Stowe.
- 7 Review of the latest planning applications:

20/03789/FUL Full Application for the erection of a single storey extension to existing outbuilding at 2 School House, Bourton On The Hill, GL56 9AH. *Still to be decided.*

- 8 Correspondence received. GCC have written to say that the 2021 census will be carried out on March 21st.
- 9 Urgent matters to report: None
- Dates for the meetings in 2021: March 30th, May 4th (Annual Meeting of the Parish Council and Annual Parish Meeting), July 20th, September 21st, October 26th and December 7th.

The meeting closed at 7.15pm