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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 1 September 2020 at 7.30 pm held remotely via Zoom

- **Present:** Cllrs. P Hardwick (Chair), D Semley, P Arthy, S Blades, J Sims, J Stanser, M Parr, Dist. Cllr. Howitt-Cowan and A Hayward (Clerk) Members of the Public: 1
- 01.09.20 Chairman's Remarks Cllr. Hardwick welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- 02.09.20 Apologies for absence and reasons given

Cllr. Watson (other commitment)

Resolved: apologies accepted

03.09.20 **Declarations of interest** The following declarations of interest were made:

Cllrs. M Parr & P Hardwick – allotment matters

Clirs. J Sims & P Hardwick – village hall matters

04.09.20 Public Discussion

A member of public expressed her concerns about the overgrown land adjacent to Edmund Close. This has become increasingly neglected resulting in debris/foliage impinging on to neighbouring properties. There were also concerns that there might be a rat infestation. Clerk to make WLDC, Environmental Health aware and request that a site visit is made as soon as possible.

There was a query about whether or not there was provision for social/affordable housing in the Neighbourhood Plan. Cllr. Semley advised that any queries/comments should be made at the upcoming consultation event where residents will have the opportunity to fill in a survey and voice their opinions. All documentation pertaining to the Plan will be made available on the Parish Council website prior to the consultation.

05.09.20 Notes of the last meeting of the Council

The minutes of the meeting held on 7 July 2020 were discussed and <u>resolved</u> as being a true record (after two typos were corrected).

06.09.20 Reports from Outside Agencies and Sub-Committees

Corringham Village Hall

Cllr. Hardwick reported that bookings were doing well. There were now regular yoga and table tennis sessions as well as the regular craft club and café on Friday mornings.

The toilet refurbishment is going well. The renovation has revealed poor workmanship in the past and also that the smoke alarm system was not working and was not compliant. All now rectified and necessary certification issued. Thanks goes to Mr Toyne for his assistance with the renovation work, very much appreciated.

Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr. Semley had circulated an update prior to the meeting. There was a query about the proposed number of new dwellings. Again Cllr. Semley asked that any queries/concerns be brought along to the consultation events.

07.09.20 Matters for Consideration

Donation Request – Repair of Church Bells

The Churchwarden had written to the Parish Council to request a donation to the repair/refurbishment of the Church bells. The total cost would be in the region of £4K. The Parish Council was of the understanding the donations to the PCC were not permitted but were aware of some exemptions such as donations to repair the church clock. The Clerk to check to see if there were any such exemption for church bells. Another suggestion was the if the PC was unable to make a donation then perhaps the Ashwin Trust could.

William Ashwin Trust - New Signatories/Review of Trustees

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The Clerk reported that at present only one Trustee was a signatory for the bank account. The bank account was with NatWest which has now closed its branch at Gainsborough. Before setting up new signatories it was agreed to look into transferring the bank account to a bank with a Gainsborough branch. NatWest is currently offering incentives to switch from their bank. Clerk to investigate further.

08.09.20 Financial Matters

Financial Report:

Income to date:	£19,598.19
Outgoings to date:	£ 4,755.42
Funds available:	£21,705.03

The following payments were proposed, seconded, voted and agreed.

Cheque Number	£	Payee	Reason
100264	145.90	Staff	Salary and expenses
100265	102.00	HMRC	Paye
100266	386.00	R Wilkinson	Grass cutting
100267	50.00	Gains. Pest Services	Removal of wasp nest
100268	108.60	P Hardwick	NP expenses

09.09.20 District and County Councillors' reports

County Councillor

Due to lack of time, Cllr. Howitt-Cowan agreed to circulate a report.

District Councillor No report received

Police Report

There had been four reported crimes in August, as follows: 8 August – Driver in a vehicle on the High Street with no licent (vehicle recovered) 16 August – 2 x vehicle collision, no injuries 24 August – Suspicious vehicle report at 10.09 on Middle Street. A Ford Mondeo with two males driving slowly down Middle Street. Police attended with no trace of the vehicle.

10.09.20 Planning Matters

New Planning Applications: None

WLDC Planning Decisions

None

11.09.20 <u>Councillors' reports and items for inclusion on the next agenda</u> The following items were reported:

Agenda Item: co-option of new Parish Councillor

It was noted that the grass cutting at the Cemetery had not been carried out for a number of weeks. Cllr. Hardwick agreed to look into this.

12.09.20 The date of the next meeting was confirmed as Tuesday 6 October 2020 at 7.30pm to take place remotely via Zoom.

Meeting closed at 8.10 pm

Signed Date