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# MINUTES OF THE CALNE WITHOUT PARISH COUNCIL ZOOM MONDAY 11<sup>th</sup> January 2021 19.30

#### CALNE WITHOUT COUNCILLOR ATTENDANCE

Present (P): Apologies (A): Did Not Attend (X)

Sue Baker	Р	Jim Cook	Р	Richard French	Р
Rob Hislop	Α	Ed Jones (Chairman)	Р	Katherina Kronig	Р
Marcus Lee	Р	Matt Maddicks	Р	Alan Malpas	Р
Charlie Oram	Р	Ioan Rees	Р	Keith Robbins	Р
Adrian Satchell	Р	Barry Satchell	Р	David Songhurst	Р

Wiltshire Council Unitary Councillor (Calne Rural) Christine Crisp also attended.

Apologies were received from Cllr Rob Hislop, Cllr Barry Satchell to join the meeting as soon as possible.

# 1 Public participation and Correspondence - Clerk

# 1.1 Public participation

A member of the public spoke about the Gigaclear proposal, in particular the letters received by some residents about access agreements, matters raised to be covered in the presentation and questions at item 5.

#### 1.2 Correspondence

The Chairman reported that the letter sent by post was responded to immediately by the recipient and the action requested taken.

#### 2 Declarations of Interest - Cllrs

Cllr Rees declared a non-pecuniary interest in Item 15 and would not take part in the debate

Cllr Lee declared a non-pecuniary interest in Item 16 and would speak but not vote.

Cllr Baker declared a non-pecuniary interest in Item 9.1 and would not vote.

#### 3 Chairman Announcements

None

# 4 Presentation from Gigaclear

The Council received a presentation from Gigaclear Community Engagement Manager about the works to provide Fibre Broadband in Derry Hill, Studley and Stanley. Questions regarding the location of infrastructure and resident's ability to alter suggested route to their properties were discussed. Details for contacts and updates about the work as it progresses will be made available to the Council to share with local residents. The representative answered the residents' questions and offered to discuss the issues further outside the meeting.

Link to Gigaclear website available here

Cllr B. Satchell joined the meeting during the presentation.

#### 5 Minutes

The Clerk corrected an error at item 13.1 to read 8<sup>th</sup> January 2021 not 9<sup>th</sup> January 2021.

Proposed: Cllr Baker Seconded: Cllr A. Satchell

Agreed unanimously: That the Committee approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 14th December 2020 as a true and fair reflection of the motions agreed by the Committee and the discussions that took place and that these be signed by the Chairman as such.

# 6 Response to Previous Actions

6.1 Letter to Cllr Sturgis re Former Blounts Court Development The Clerk confirmed that no response had as yet been received from Cllr Sturgis.

#### 7 Accounts

7.1 Cheques and internet Payments

Proposed: Cllr Cook Seconded Cllr French

Agreed unanimously: That the following Payments be approved:

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Sarah Glen	Zoom repayment for period	£14.39
	28/12/2020 to 27/01/2021	
Idverde	Bin emptying01/12/2020 to	120.00
	31/12/2020	
Oakford IS	Temporary Website hosting	£12.90
	25/12/2020 to 24/01/2021	

# That the following payments made be noted:

Sarah Glen	Salary for December 2020	£955.63
	plus back pay and	
	additional overtime for	
	November approved	
	11/12/20	
HMRC	National insurance costs	£56.88
Sarah Glen	Zoom repayment for period	£14.95
	28/11/2020 to 27/12/2020	

#### 7.2 Balance and Expenditure

Cllr Malpas noted that the Council is heading for a significant underspend of £15,000 this year.

Proposed: Cllr Malpas Seconded: Cllr Cook

Agreed unanimously: That the balance and expenditure for the period ending 31st

December 2020 be approved.

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#### 8 Planning

8.1 20/09854/FUL Conversion of garages into a flat for use as a rental and holiday accommodation, erection of potting shed and erection of garden store (retrospective). Glenwood, Stockley Road, Stockley, Calne, SN11 0NW

Cllrs discussed the application and decided to object on over concern about increased use of the access and the ability of cars to turn round within the property and leave in forward gear.

Proposed: Cllr A. Satchell

**Seconded: Cllr Rees** 

Agreed: That the Clerk submit the Councils objection to application 20/09854/FUL on the grounds of intensification of an unsuitable access and lack of space on site to turn a car.

Cllr Baker declared an interest in this item and did not take part in the discussion or vote.

8.1.1 20/10343/FUL Change of use of amenity land into residential garden, move existing fence to new boundary.

35 Studley Gardens, Studley, SN11 9FR

Cllrs discussed the application and decided to object on the grounds that the landscaping layout as originally planned should remain in place in order to give the development a more open layout reflecting its rural location.

Proposed: Cllr Maddicks Seconded: Cllr Rees

Agreed: That the Clerk submit the Council's objection to 20/10343/FUL on the grounds that the original permission should be respected and that the landscaping and fences should remail in those positions to retain the connection with the development's rural location.

#### 8.1.2 20/10600/LBC Lysley Arms

Cllr Rees asked that a note be sent on the application supporting the proposed use of stone tiles on the roof of the building.

#### 8.2 Wiltshire Local Plan Consultation

The Council decide to consider the Wiltshire Local Plan at both the 8<sup>th</sup> February meeting to allow further discussion or work to take place before confirmation of the Council's position, if required at the 8<sup>th</sup> March meeting.

Wiltshire Area Localism and Planning Group (WALPA): Draft letters to Wiltshire MPs and Wiltshire Council regarding the Wiltshire Local Plan and 5-year land supply and the Threat to Neighbourhood Planning.

Cllr discussed the draft letters circulated that day from Cllr Ritchie of Malmesbury Town Council on behalf of WALPA.

Proposed: Cllr Rees Seconded: Cllr Cook

Agreed: That the Council be a signatory to the letters.

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# 9 Highways Improvement Request

9.1 Verge Markers, Stockley

Cllrs discussed the Highways improvement request and agreed to support the request to go forward to find out the number and cost of the markers. Clerk also to contact Bremhill Parish Council regarding their verge markers which have been successful.

Proposed: Cllr Baker Seconded: Cllr Maddicks

Agreed: That the Highways improvement request be supported and submitted with the

Council's comments to Calne community Area Transport Group.

# 10 I.T. Working Group

10.1 Website design

Cllr Cook reported on the work required to complete the website and his disappointment that Cllrs had not commented on the design of the website since being sent the link. Clerk to send link to Cllr Lee.

Proposed: Cllr Cook Seconded: Cllr French

Agreed unanimously: To approve the new website to go live and approve the cost of Clearwater completing the exercise including uploading all the documents added to the website since the redesign began up to a total of £200.

Budget IT Development

Power Local Govt Act 1972 s 142

#### 10.2 IT Support

Cllr Cook explained the support being offered in the two quotes and recommended the unlimited support. The Clerk explained that there was no requirement for 3 quotes as the company supply the Council's Email and website hosting so can provide a different service to anyone else. The Clerk also noted that only 16 are required not the 17 on the quote.

Proposed: Cllr Cook Seconded: Cllr Kronig

Agreed:

- 1. That the Council decide what level of cover it considers appropriate and approve the payment of the resulting cost for 16 devices for a 12-month period. Clerk, in consultation with the Chairman and the IT Working Group, request a new quote and secure the service for a 12-month period.
- 2. That the Council review the contract after 9 months to consider if renewal at the end of the 12-month period is to be approved.

Budget IT Services

Power Local Govt Act 1972 s111

# 11 Engagement and Participation Working Group

Cllr Rees reported on the work of the working group and requested funding of up to £120 for the production of a leaflet and posters based on the NALC 2019 template with local additions to advertise the up coming local elections in May 2021.

Proposed: Cllr Rees Seconded: Cllr Oram

Agreed: That funds of £120 be allocated for the provision of posters and leaflets for every household to advertise the upcoming elections. The wording of the leaflet and poster to be based on the NALC 2019 advertising campaign with local reference to be delegated to the Clerk.

Budget Election Provision

Power Local Govt Act 1972 s142

Cllr Cook resigned from the Working Group making the following statement

"It is with considerable sadness that I have watched numerous recent attacks on the integrity of our council, not least the repeated false allegations of cronyism from Councillor Rees and his suggestion that the Council is, in some way, failing to represent its residents.

In these difficult times, I had hoped that a broader sense of purpose might prevail, that we might work together to support our community through these difficult times and to deliver help where needed.

Instead, there are constant and regular attempts by Councillor Rees to undermine the integrity of our Council and those who serve on it.

I now find myself part of the Engagement and Participation Working Group that is led by someone intent on casting doubt on our ability to act with impartiality and integrity.

The hypocrisy of this must be obvious to anyone and so I cannot remain part of the Engagement and Participation Working Group while it is led by Councillor Rees, or until Councillor Rees stops his attempts to undermine the Council.

Accordingly, I am tendering my resignation from the Working Group with immediate effect and I would like the full text of this statement included in the minutes of this evening's meeting."

# 12 Other Matters

Cllr Malpas reminded Cllrs to come back to him with details of sites for the Vehicle activated signs.

Cllr Cook would get the details of the playground consultation online survey to Cllr Malpas now that the survey is completed.

Cllr Baker pointed out that a recent email from Cllr Rees about past elections contained incorrect data and asked him to correct it. Cllr Rees asked Cllr Baker to email him with what was wrong.

#### 13 Confidential Session

**Proposed Cllr Cook** 

Seconded: Cllr A Satchell

Agreed unanimously: That under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and representatives of the press and broadcast media be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following items of business as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

Chairman thanked the public for their attendance and asked all members of the public to leave the meeting.

# 14 Road Safety Feasibility Study

Cllr discussed the Road Safety Feasibility Study tenders.

Proposed: Cllr Malpas Seconded: Cllr Robbins

Agreed: That the Road Safety Feasibility Study tender from Entran at a cost of £7,900.00

(ex VAT) be accepted.

#### 15 Cllr Rees Motion

Cllrs discussed the motion. Cllr Rees requested a recorded vote.

For: Cllrs Malpas, Songhurst, Rees, Robbins, Maddicks

Against: Cllrs Oram, French, Kronig, Baker, Cook, B. Satchell, Jones

Abstain: Cllr A. Satchell, Lee

The motion was lost.

Cllr Malpas suggested the preparation of a statement for publication and Cllrs Lee, French and Jones to continue discussions.

Proposed: Cllr Malpas Seconded: Cllr Cook

Agreed: That the Clerk prepare a statement and Cllrs French, Jones and Lee continue to

engage in discussions.

Meeting ended at 9.45pm