

MENDHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting Date: 1st March 2021

Venue: Virtual meeting via Zoom

Time: 7pm

Committee Members	Role	Present/Absent
Dennis Pye	Chair	✓
Thelma Brown	Vice Chair	✓
Kathy Farrar		✓
Jimmy Kent		✓
Richard Mattocks		Apologies
Sally Mckinnon		✓
Clare Rix		✓
Mark Shortt		✓

In attendance:

Clerk: Liz Frere-Smith

ITEM	AGENDA POINT	ACTION
1.	Public Forum & Reports from Councillors - None received	
2.	Welcome and Apologies	
3.	Declarations of interest and any dispensations allowed – Nothing declared	
4.	Minutes of previous meeting – Agreed as correct	
5.	Matters arising not covered by the agenda – Flooding at Peggs Hill still an ongoing concern. DP has had many conversations with Guy McGregor who is now regularly addressing this issue with the land owner. There is a pile of sand by the side of the road but his isn't currently causing a problem. GM to inform of the outcomes to DP.	
6.	<p>Finances</p> <p>Cheques agreed, signed and ready for collection</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EFS payroll • HMRC re payroll • Re issue of cheque to RM re invoices payment <p>Precept agreed and timetable of payments agreed</p> <p>Annual statements agreed and accepted – one area of non-statutory nature still to be confirmed.</p> <p>Online banking now accessed and EFS requested permission to advance procedures to online payment of invoices. This was agreed as acceptable by all members of the council. EFS to meet with DP and KF to discuss</p>	EFS to agree with DP regarding these queries.

	next steps. TB suggested another signatory in-case of illness of absence.	
7.	Vacancy for councillor – Statutory notices displayed on boards; next stage is to place a notice to co-opt a new councillor	EFS to display notices closing date week before next meeting date of 12 th April 2021
8.	Planning – nothing current or outstanding to discuss	
9.	<p>Speeding update</p> <p>KF and SM have both investigated differing elements of this problem which has been on and off the agenda for the last 7 years.</p> <p>TVAS speed monitors provided by the council at no cost but only available for a couple of weeks at a time and 2-3 times a year.</p> <p>Solar powered system was the other alternative at a cost between £2000 - £2500. The existing pole is still suitable to use. There is a short lead time on this item.</p> <p>Unfortunately there are no grants available for this item and it is not possible to share the provision with another village.</p> <p>DP suggested that we see if any funds are available from the locality funds.</p> <p>It was unanimously agreed in principal by all present at the meeting that the speed monitors would be purchased if there was sufficient funds available at the end of this financial year. To be confirmed at the next meeting.</p> <p>SM had done some door to door conversations but had to stop due to COVID restrictions.</p> <p>There are similar issues in Mendham which will be discussed at the next meeting.</p>	<p>DP to approach Lavinia Hadingham and Guy McGregor to request a donation towards the cost.</p> <p>EFS to confirm the available balance for next meeting.</p> <p>EFS to ensure this is on the agenda at the next meeting</p>
10	Trees – Tree surgeon has been booked with a local company - Tree Menders who wil do the work during the Easter break to avoid difficulties with the school parking	
11	Salt Bins – EFS looked into the pricing £150 or £450 depending on the size, the council refill FOC. It was considered who would spread the salt? Maybe consider this for next year depending how much funds are available.	
12	Correspondence – none received that hadn't been circulated to members	
13	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>JK reported a broken foot bridge that went across one of his fields and it has been reported to the footpaths appropriately.</p>	
14	Date of meeting Changed to 12 th April 2021 7pm Zoom link to be sent	EFS to do link

The meeting closed at: 19.36 pm

Signed by Chair: *Dennis Pye*

Date: 12th April 2021

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Action Summary

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Date	Agenda Item	Action Point	Action By	Date Completed
01/03/2021	6	EFS to agree with DP regarding these queries.	EFS and DP	
	7	EFS to display notices closing date week before next meeting date of 12 th April 2021	EFS	
	9	DP to approach Lavinia Hadingham and Guy Mcgregor to request a donation towards the cost. EFS to confirm the available balance for next meeting. EFS to ensure this is on the agenda at the next meeting	EFS and DP	