



Boughton Malherbe Parish Council

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Minutes of the Parish Council on Monday 7th September 2020, 7.30pm held by teleconference

Present: Cllrs R Galton (Chair); R Turner; J Collins; B. Adams; N. Eastwood
Clerk Mr Chris Hume

Cllr Galton opened meeting at 7.30pm

1. **Anybody filming or recording this meeting to declare it.** - none
2. **Apologies** – no apologies for absence received
3. **Declarations:**
 - Any lobbying** – none declared
 - Any interest in items on the Agenda** – none declared
 - Any changes to the register of pecuniary interests** - none declared
4. **Approval of Minutes** – approved the Minutes of 3rd August 2020
5. **Matters Arising** – none
6. **Public Session** - no public in attendance
7. **Planning Outcomes since 3rd August 2020** – none
8. **Local Policing/Community**
 - 8.1 Police/Crime Report – noted PCSO report previously circulated
 - 8.2 Speedwatch – nothing to report. Noted people spotted with speed gun at the bottom of Liverton Hill. Agreed to find out who this is?
9. **Highway and Footway Matters**
 - 9.1 Liverton Hill, Ditches, gullies, potholes – Cllr Eastwood reported no new problems at the north end of the Parish. Cllr Evans reported deteriorating road conditions towards south on Headcorn Road. Clerk to report pot hole emerging south of Crumps Lane. Cllr Adams to meet Chris Wheal regarding Headcorn Road nearer the village and report back. Cllr Turner agreed to send contact details for the KCC steward to Cllrs Evans and Eastwood.
 - 9.2 59 Bus - Cllr Collins reported on recent problems arising from road closures, bus breakdowns and Covid related issues meaning the pilot is meaningless. Agreed Cllr Collins will draft a letter to send to KCC from the Parish Council following discussion with other parishes, to draw this to their attention.
 - 9.3 Litter – received updates on the bin outside St Nicholas Church. It was agreed that the Clerk will ask MBC if they will adopt the bin. In the meantime Cllr. Turner offered to empty the bin on this occasion.
10. **Councillor Reports on any External Meetings attended** - no reports
11. **Finance**
 - 11.1 Noted the Balance at the Bank:

Nat West	£7267.08
Nationwide	£14,150.58
Cambridge and Counties	£ 86,748.22

- 11.2 Income since the last meeting : None
- 11.3 Bank Reconciliation – agreed the statement circulated with the agenda
- 11.4 Any cheques to sign: none
- 11.5 Authorised the following payments since the last meeting: MBC £625.80 for footpath gate; Rosemary Smith Village Green Maintenance £174
- 11.6 Agreed that the notice board on the village green will be repaired. Cllr Galton and Turner will approach Mike Smith to repair it, if not they will undertake renovations.
- 12. Traffic Calming** – After a vote a majority approved the KCC estimated cost of £64, 682.03 less a 5% reduction in design costs for previous payments - provided this does not increase. However, after further discussion, concerns were raised that the plan submitted to KCC may not provide granite build-outs of sufficient size to be effective. It was agreed to revoke the first resolution and seek further information from KCC before proceeding to the next stage, further assurances would be sought from KCC regarding the size of the build-outs and the total cost. It was agreed that Cllr Galton will draft an email to KCC to be sent to KCC and the Clerk will arrange an extraordinary meeting for the 14th September to consider the response.
- 13. KCC project to increase the number of publicly accessible Electric Vehicle (EV) charging Points** – discussed whether the Parish Council would like to explore potential charging points as requested in the letter from KCC attached to the agenda. As the Council does not own any property it was agreed that we would not put any locations forward.
- 14. Correspondence** - none
- 15. Further Information** – none

The meeting closed at 9.42