

**MEETING**  
**Under extraordinary circumstances**  
**Playing Field Pavilion**  
**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2020 7.30 pm**  
**MINUTES**

Present: Cllrs  
Chris Hurst (Chair)  
Nicola Rudge  
Norman White

Paul Neal  
Gavin Lloyd Thomas

Clerk Jacqui Harris

7 Members of the public

28/20 Apologies – none

29/20 Approval of minutes of the meeting held 23<sup>th</sup> March 2020. Minutes accepted as a true record and signed by the Chair

30/20 Registration of Interest – none

31/20 Formal Announcements - none

32/20 Public Participation

- a. Applicant for 20/01426/F (Equestrian – moving mobile home) gave a rationale for recent changes to the original 2017 application and the PC gave its reasons for its objection
- b. Neighbour offered comments on application 20/01511/LB and discussed matters concerning that part of the village e.g. use of land and ease of footpath use. EPC to contact OCC about new footpath signs

33/20 Planning applications received

- a. 20/01510/F 20/01511/LB Rectory Farm House Back Lane Epwell – RESOLVED no reps or comments
- b. 20/01426/F Equestrian Centre West of Homestead, Church Lane Epwell – moving mobile home - RESOLVED to Object

34/20 Correspondence. Enquiry from a couple in Warrington about the old K6 style phone box originally in the Square was being dealt with by Cllr Rudge

35/20 Finance

- a. Approval of Annual Accounts 2019 -2020. Examination of accounts complete, approved and accepted. AGAR documents prepared and signed. RESOLVED to accept the accounts and to publish on the village website. Public inspection window would start in mid-August  
Asset Register 2019-2020. RESOLVED to approve the register and it was signed
- b. Cashbook April to July 2020 distributed. No comments
- c. Clerks Pay and annual increase. RESOLVED to review in 6 months

#### 36/20 Roads and Highways

Problems caused by lorries trying to get down narrow lane by side of church and at the ford were discussed. Signage for lorries proposed to discourage large vehicles from turning left when they enter the Square from the lane to Sibford Rd. RESOLVED to place sign by Cranes Farm

#### 37/20 Footpaths

Roadside path near church required clearing. RESOLVED Cllr White to lead a working party to deal with the problem

#### 38/20 Verges and areas accessible to public

Volunteers have managed the Village Hall grass and the Green very well as part of their Duke of Edinburgh Award scheme

#### 39/20 Playing Field

- a. Cllr White reported that a bench donated by Epwell Trust has been ordered for the field and it will be put on the Asset Register next year
- b. Football goals. It was RESOLVED to purchase further Goals for older youth and relocate the smaller goals for the younger members of the community. Cost £429.00 plus VAT for the new set. Cllr Lloyd Thomas to order them.
- c. Public tables and benches. RESOLVED Cllr Rudge to research and feed back to the Council
- d. The annual inspection of play equipment had raised some issues. It was RESOLVED that Cllr Neal will lead a working party to sort out problems

#### 40/20 Dog poo Bins

Cllr Lloyd-Thomas updated on the success of the bins. He requested a further bin be purchased, for the Green. RESOLVED to buy one more bin. Monitoring use of bins to continue and also the current emptying arrangements. At present Cllr Lloyd Thomas is kindly maintaining the bins; CDC would do this for a fee

#### 41/20 Other Items

EVA . Cllr Rudge gave an update on the work of the community volunteer support group. RESOLVED to continue having such a group. The register of volunteers to be reviewed and maintained. EVA would now stand for Epwell Volunteer Assistance

Meeting closed at 9.20 pm

Next Meeting 14<sup>th</sup> September 2020