

MINUTES OF THE TURVILLE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
Held on Wednesday 9th September 2020 via Zoom

PRESENT:

Cllr Alice Nuttgens – Chair, Cllr Dan Wels, Cllr Ray Jones, Cllr Hector Sants.

In attendance: Mrs L Coldwell – Clerk.

1 member of the public (part)

20/21.123 Apologies for absence:

Apologies received from Cllr Deborah Abbot, apologies accepted.

20/21.124 Disclosure of Pecuniary and Personal Interest in items on the agenda:

None declared.

20/21.125 To confirm the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 8th July 2020:

The minutes of the meeting were confirmed as a true record and will signed by the Chair when possible.

20/21.126 To note correspondence received by the Clerk with any actions taken from 8th July to 9th September 2020:

1. Countryside Voice magazine – for info.
 2. Email from BMKALC re: An update on Community Boards in Buckinghamshire – forwarded to Cllrs.
 3. Email re: South West Chiltern Community Board Minutes from BC – forwarded to Cllrs.
 4. Email re: meeting with new Community Board Co-ordinator – Clerk responded.
 5. Email from BMKALC re: remote council meetings – forwarded to Cllrs.
 6. Email from Chiltern Society Save Our Pubs Group re: pubs in the parish – forwarded to Cllrs.
 7. Email from BC re: Community COVID-19 briefing for sharing – forwarded to Cllrs.
 8. Countryside Voices magazine – for info.
 9. WDALC agenda – forwarded to Cllr Jones.
 10. Clerk and Councils Direct magazine – for info.
 11. Emails re: fencing at Northend Common.
 12. TTRO Fingest Road – forwarded to Cllrs, put on website.
 13. Email from Buckinghamshire Council re: Wycombe Community Governance Review: Notification to Interested Parties – forwarded to Cllrs.
 14. Response from Open Spaces Society re: Chapel Cottage planning application – forwarded to Cllrs.
 15. Email from Buckinghamshire Council re: Community Board Funding Criteria and Process – forwarded to Cllrs.
 16. Email from Buckinghamshire Council re: New legislation on Permitted Development and change of use - Town and Parish update – forwarded to Cllrs.
 17. Email from BMKALC re: Planning White Paper Summaries, Links & Responses – forwarded to Cllrs.
 18. Invite to virtual TfB Conference – forwarded to Cllrs.
- Cllr Sants asked if there was any update on the changing status to a National Park –

Action: Clerk to investigate.

20/21.127 To report on matters arising from the minutes not on the agenda – for information:

Action: Cllr Nuttgens is waiting to hear back about the stones on the village green, she will contact Cllr Nuttgens again.

20/21.128 Public question and answer session:

One member of the public discussed planning application 20/06857/FUL and the affordability of housing in general in the parish.

20/21.129 Reports to be received if any:

Clerk attended the first Community Board meeting which was held via Zoom. A working group is being set up for Covid-19, looking at the wider implications in the community.

20/21.130 Items to note:

- Clerk has reported various potholes around the parish to Transport for Bucks via Fix My Street. This is an online service that anyone can use.
- A road closure is planned to be carried out by Thames Water at Fingest Road, from 08:00 to 17:00 from 28 September - 02 October 2020. Details have been added to the parish council website.
- Clerk suggests confirming at least the November parish council meeting to be held virtually. The legislation allows for this until May 2021 and would negate any uncertainty in the future. All in agreement.
- Clerk will be attending the virtual TfB conference next week and the virtual WDALC meeting, along with a virtual Clerks Forum the following week.

20/21.131 Mobile Telephone Coverage:

An update to be provided if available from Cllr Sants (and any other Councillor as appropriate) regarding the investigation into a mobile phone coverage survey for the parish. Cllr Sants will said he would continue to look for ways to progress the issue but would appreciate it if any residents who have any ideas or specific contacts could inform him.

After the meeting on 10/09/2020 Cllr Sants received a response from BT/EE to say that there is no budget to improve coverage in Turville parish this year, but suggested asking again in April 2021, so he will follow up then.

20/21.132 Planning:a. WDC decisions made since previous meeting:

20/05183/LBC – The Old Vicarage & The Cottage Turville Valley Road Turville – Listed building consent application for internal and external repairs and alterations to The Old Vicarage, The Barn, Potting Sheds and Cottage, annexe/outbuilding, garage and store – **Application Permitted**

20/05184/FUL – The Old Vicarage & The Cottage Turville Valley Road Turville – Householder application for internal and external repairs and alterations to The Old Vicarage, The Barn, Potting Sheds and Cottage, annexe/outbuilding, garage and store – **Application Permitted**

20/06829/CTREE – The Old Vicarage Turville Valley Road Turville – Fell to ground level x 1 Elm (T1) and veteranisation pruning to include reduction of over-extended lateral branches by up to 1.5m x 1 Ash (T2) – **Not to Make a Tree Preservation Order**

20/06500/FUL – 6 Square Close Cottages School Lane Turville – Householder application for construction of front porch, part single/part two storey/rear extensions, insertion of 2 x front dormer windows and alterations to fenestrations – **Application refused**

20/01002/LAPREN – The Barn Turville Heath Farm Turville Heath – Premises License (PC were not consulted) – **license granted for 11.30 – 15.30 seven days a week**

b. Applications awaiting decision by Buckinghamshire Council:

20/06479/LBC – The Old Bakehouse Turville Valley Road Turville – Internal works to return the house to habitable condition following a fire and long period of vacancy

20/06783/FUL – Balhams Farmhouse Balhams Lane Turville Heath – Householder application for construction of timber-framed covered outdoor poolside dining space with retaining wall, alterations to fenestration, replacement of existing black timber with grey timber and relocation of existing solar panels to central flat roof

20/07029/CTREE – St Marys Church Turville Valley Road Turville – Take down to ground level x 1 Ash (T1)

c. New applications to be considered by the PC:

20/06857/FUL – Chapel Cottage Dolesden Lane Turville Heath – Householder application for construction of single storey side/rear extension, roof alterations to study including gabled roof to replace hipped roof and insertion of 2 x conservation rooflights. Insertion of circular window to main gable at first floor – **no objection, however the Parish Council would like to make sure that there is no encroachment on the Common Land with the planned extension.**

20/21.133 The PC to discuss applying for the Bull and Butcher, Turville to be listed as an Asset of Community Value:

The Parish Council have been approached by the Chiltern Society "Save our Pubs" to consider applying for the Bull and Butcher in Turville to become an Asset of Community Value which would allow the local community a chance to act should the pub ever be sold with a intent to convert for residential use. The pub was subject to an ACV but this expired in May 2019. All in agreement to apply, Clerk to organise paperwork.

Action:Clerk

20/21.13 The PC to discuss the possibility of adding to the grass cutting contract the land outside Turville Nursery School in School Lane to improve the appearance of the area:

The Parish Council currently pay for cutting to take place on the Village Green in Turville village. One quotation has been received from a local gardener for £40-£50 a cut with an initial strim and cut at £100. A second price has been received (although this contractor would not wish to carry out the works) for £30 a cut 3-4 times a year with an initial cut costing £100. Clerk has spoken with Symes Gardens today 09/09/20 and they will forward a quotation as soon as possible. All in agreement of spending up to £300 for the first year to sort this area, which will decrease in following years after the initial tidy up. Clerk also to approach the Turville Trust to see if they would consider contributing towards the costs.

Action:Clerk

20/21.135 The PC to discuss the fencing at Northend Common:

A local farmer is exercising his grazing rights on Northend Common, temporary electric fencing has been erected. This was one part of the common in June, and then the main area has been utilised in August. The landowner was notified, and the fencing has now been removed. Cllrs Wels stated that local residents commented that the Common was not available for use during August due to the fencing and cows, and is now looking in a sorry state from the grazing and dung being left. Clerk to write to the farmer to ask whilst we recognise that he is exercising his rights, could the animals could be grazed earlier in the year in the future rather than the summer holidays, meaning that residents and visitors would be able to use the Common in the summer months.

Action:Clerk

20/21.136 The PC to discuss the new Government proposals on reforms to the planning system:

In mid-August the Secretary of State, Robert Jenrick, announced proposals to reform planning in England. 'Planning for the Future' represents the most dramatic change in Planning since the War. Councils would now be required to plan for a target number of houses imposed by the Government. It would no longer be for councils to consider 'constraints' such as Green Belt or AONB status, this would have already been done by Government. Councils would then have to deliver the new housing targets by zoning land as either 'Growth, Renewal or Protecting'. Section 106 and CIL would be abolished and replaced with a new infrastructure levy. Once approved, the plan would provide outline 'permission in principle' for development. The Secretary of State has majored on the changed role for councils in promoting 'design and quality'. Councillor Whitehead welcomes any thoughts on these proposals which would have an impact on the AONB, as have NALC who will collate responses and forward to MHCLG. Clerk to draft a response to forward to all for any amendments and then approval.

Action:Clerk

20/21.137 Finance:

Copies of the accounts have been circulated to the Councillors via email along with copy of invoices.

a) Balance:

Opening Balance 01/07/2020	12549.75
Less July payments	(323.29)
Balance 01/08/2020	12226.46
Less August payments – salary via S/O	(257.29)
Closing Balance 31/08/2020	11969.17

Reserves:

CIL restricted reserve	2440.83
(CIL – committed for Northend pond	(1417.95)
CIL restricted reserve less Northend pond (to include bench in Turville)	1022.88
Unrestricted Reserves	9528.34
Total reserves as of 31/08/2020	11969.17

To confirm the following payments:

Lorna Coldwell – salary September – paid via Standing Order	257.29
Lorna Coldwell – salary October – paid via Standing Order	257.29
Lorna Coldwell – expenses for March to start of September 2020	112.62
Bucks and Milton Keynes Association of Local Councils – subs	63.45
Miss K Legg – internal audit financial year 19/20	35.00
Total:	725.65

All cheques agreed, to be signed in a socially distanced manner.

20/21.138 To confirm the date for the next meeting as:

Wednesday 11th November, via Zoom.

The meeting was closed at 20.25.

The Chair Date