

**HORNTON PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL EXTRAORDINARY MEETING HELD ONLINE
ON THURSDAY 8TH OCTOBER 2020 AT 8.00pm**

Present: Councillors Burden, Offord, Tilling, Overton, Woodcock, Hewlett and Wain

Also in attendance: Clerk & RFO Cindy Koberl

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were given by Cllr. Mckenzie and these were accepted.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

None.

4. RURAL GIGABIT VOUCHERS

The Parish Council had been made aware of Rural Gigabit Voucher Scheme to improve rural broadband connectivity by Oxfordshire County Council. The councillors discussed about the increase demand of better broadband connectivity as more and more people worked from home. The eligibility was also discussed that the participants had to be part of group project. The clerk would forward the information to villagers so if any individual or business would like to take it forward they could.

Action: CK

5. MOTOCROSS

Cllr. Offord updated the council that planning application 20/02126/CLUE for Licensed Development Certificate (LDC) had been withdrawn. LDC would have been declined if not withdrawn. A new planning application was expected to follow. The track could continue to operate under the enforcement of agricultural rules to 14 days per year. The environmental issue of blocked stream and the involvement of Cherwell District Councillors were discussed. It was decided that the chairman would draft to update the villagers with current development. Whilst the Parish Council had been able to access planning and legal expertise through the generosity of a group of villagers, it was felt that a contribution should be also made from Council funds, given the long term implications for the village had an LDC been granted. The RFO would review budget and present it to the councillors to decide the level of contribution.

Action: JO/CK

6. FUEL DEPOT

The planning application 20/02453/F to have a fuel depot including ancillary offices, plant and hard standing on Hornton Grounds Quarry has been received by the parish council. The environmental and highway impacts to the village were discussed and the council resolved to object the planning and to make villagers aware of the planning should anyone wish to make individual comments.

Action: JO/SW

7. PAVILION REOPENING

Cllr. Overton informed the council of committee's decision to reopen pavilion under Covid safety rules further to the committee meeting on 7th October 2020. The parish council had no objection to the proposal.

8. ALLOTMENT IBC CONTAINERS

Cllr. Burden thanked Mr. Cross who obtained IBC containers for the allotments at a considerably discounted rate. The council agreed to present Mr. Cross with a gift to show our gratitude.

Action: PB

FUTURE MEETING DATES

The next meeting is APM and will take place on 9th November 2020 7.30pm in Pavilion.

The meeting closed at 8.47pm

Signed