# Kilpeck Parish Council

## Minutes of an Ordinary "ZOOM" Meeting of Kilpeck Parish Council held on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2021

No KPC/MW/167z

#### **Councillors Present**

Councillor Mrs J Davies Chairman

Councillor Mr M Parsons Vice-Chairman

Councillor Mr D Howie

Councillor Mrs M Lloyd {intermittent broadband connection}

Councillor Mr G Statham

Councillor Mr D Thompson

Clerk Mr M Walker

#### **Also Present**

Ward Councillor Mrs Christy Bolderson, Herefordshire Council Leader Councillor Mr John Harrington, Herefordshire Council's Senior Accident Investigation Engineer Mr Simon Hobbs and one further member of the public.

### The Ordinary "ZOOM" Meeting of the Parish Council was formally opened by the Chairman at 7.30pm.

#### 1.0 Apologies for Absence

Due to the present Government Covid 19 Restrictions this meeting was a 'virtual 'meeting held via "ZOOM" and owing to the lack of sufficient Internet Broadband within the parishes, \*Councillor Mr D Roden {Lengthsman/Contractor} was unable to attend.

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor Mrs B Wood.

Councillor Mr N Eynon was unable to connect to the meeting due to I.T. issues.

Mr James Howell Locality Steward and Police Representatives not present.

#### 2.0 Declarations of Interest & Dispensations

#### 2.1 To receive any declarations of interest in agenda items from Councillors.

Councillor Mr N Eynon having previously declared a pecuniary interest in Application Number 203948 Gwerngenny Wormbridge Hereford HR2 9DT

#### 2.2 To consider any written applications for dispensation.

No new written applications received.

#### 3.0 Minutes

The Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting No **KPC/MW/166z** held on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2020 were unanimously confirmed as a true record and approved to be signed by the Parish Council Clerk on behalf of the Chairman due to the current lockdown legislation.

#### 4.0 <u>A465 Speeding Issues</u>

Herefordshire Council Leader Councillor Mr John Harrington and Herefordshire Council's Senior Accident Investigation Engineer Mr Simon Hobbs to discuss improvement options reference road safety issues on the A 465 from Hereford to Wormbridge

Speeding and access points are a problem

Locks Garage to Pontrilas

Allensmore Parish to Kentchurch Parish area full length

A master plan is required involving Herefordshire Council, Police Road Safety Team, Parish Councils and the community, with a 12 month, 2 year and longer term solutions

Research ideas are needed

A change of environment e.g. verge maintenance, roadside planting, road markings, maybe a 50mph speed limit, gates, make the area look like a village, change road users mind set.

Maps to be obtained from Herefordshire Council

Ward Councillor to contact Allensmore Parish Council



#### 5.0 Financial Report

#### 5.1 Receipts

Kentchurch Parish Council
1/3 Share of Payroll (PAYE) Programme 500072
£48.00

#### 5.2 <u>Invoices for Payment</u>

HMR&C 3<sup>rd</sup> <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> Payment October November December £277.40

**5.3** Bank Balances as per statements

@ 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2021	Bank Statement Treasurers Account	No 36	£5,575.17
@ 4 <sup>th</sup> December 2020	Bank Statement Business Bank Instant	No 27	£28.491.42

All payments were Unanimously Approved

#### 5.4 Confirmation of approved 2021-2022 Budget

The Parish Council unanimously resolved to confirm the 2021 – 2022 approved budget as presented.

#### 6.0 Public Participation

Maximum of ten minutes allocated for members of the public to raise issues with the Parish Council and to also receive any items which require reporting to BBLP (Herefordshire Council's Highways Contractor)

No matters raised

Ward Councillor Mrs Christy Bolderson had previously sent her report by email, copy sent to all Parish Councillors.

Good Evening All. Although we are all in lockdown, council business is as busy as ever. There is much going on at the moment, and to ensure you do not miss anything, I would like to highlight the function to register for email alerts on a range of topics which may be of interest to you via the council website (<a href="https://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/council/sign-alerts?documentId=832&categoryId=200148">https://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/council/sign-alerts?documentId=832&categoryId=200148</a>) and to the "My Neighbourhood/My Account" functions at the top of the website banner. This enables information relevant to a particular geography or postcode area to be listed and displayed thereby enabling a degree of personalisation.

Here is a brief summary of elements that may be of interest.

<u>New Herefordshire Council CEO</u> The recruitment of a new Chief Executive is underway with recommendation to Full Council on 22 January.

Budget Budget consultation ended last weekend with the Administration preparing for a worst case scenario budget gap of up to £16 million in the next financial year. The budget for next year assumes a total Council Tax increase of 4.99%. This would be made from an increase of 1.99% to core Council Tax which would contribute £2.2 million towards council services. A social care precept of 3% would contribute a further £3.2 million to be used on social care services. The budget will be scrutinised by Adults and Wellbeing on 13 January, Children and Young People on 12 January, and the General Scrutiny Committee on 15 January. All Herefordshire Council committee meetings are open to the public and are live streamed via YouTube <a href="https://www.youtube.com/user/HerefordshireCouncil">https://www.youtube.com/user/HerefordshireCouncil</a>. The rules and deadlines for asking questions at these meetings can be found on the council website <a href="https://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/council">https://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/council</a>.

<u>Laptops 2 Kids</u> Laptops 2 Kids is a charity which has been set up recently to clean up and recycle second-hand laptops to children in Herefordshire who would otherwise be unable to keep up with schoolwork and/or isolated either through the pandemic or deprivation. Having been in operation for just a few weeks, they have a number of laptops ready to distribute and are liaising with local schools, with more promised through their appeals. Further details can be found at <a href="https://laptops2kids.co.uk/">https://laptops2kids.co.uk/</a>.

<u>Covid-19</u> There have been 641 positive cases in Herefordshire a rise of 76% for the week ending 6<sup>th</sup> Jan 2021 with the rise in England being 46%. For all the latest data and information slides for Herefordshire, visit our <u>Herefordshire Covid-19 dashboard</u>. The latest data slides can found on the <u>Understanding</u> Herefordshire Covid-19 weekly summary page



Work continues to support the delivery of vaccinations to priority groups across the county. There are vaccinations being delivered in care homes and through local vaccination sites in Hereford, Ross and Leominster by Primary Care Networks, and the Hereford County Hospital vaccination site is now fully open. We expect the vaccinations to accelerate in the coming weeks and we are doing all we can to support the NHS, as the operational lead for the national vaccination programme. Staff are all being supported with wellbeing advice and activities for mental and physical health.

The Talk Community response is available to provide support to those in the community who have no other available support. There are web pages to provide support to the community on a number of different areas that are particularly relevant including money worries, Covid testing, mental health, help talking to children, mythbusting, and the Love Local map. There are also web pages in development to provide practical advice for those supporting children learning at home and local information about vaccinations.

Herefordshire residents are being urged to STAY AT HOME in order to protect the NHS and save lives, following the Government's announcement of a third national lockdown. The instruction comes in the wake of a sharp increase in COVID-19 cases across the country, including Herefordshire, in recent weeks. The latest guidance stipulates people should only leave home for specific reasons:

- · shop for basic necessities, for you or a vulnerable person
- go to work, or provide voluntary or charitable services, if you cannot reasonably do so from home
- · exercise once a day locally with one person from your household (or support bubble) or one other person
- meet your support bubble or childcare bubble where necessary, but only if you are legally permitted to form one
- seek medical assistance or avoid injury, illness or risk of harm (including domestic abuse)
- · attend education or childcare for those eligible

The lockdown is due to last until at least mid-February. For full details of the Government's lockdown rules visit <a href="www.gov.uk/guidance/national-lockdown-stay-at-home">www.gov.uk/guidance/national-lockdown-stay-at-home</a>. Anyone who has medical appointments should attend as normal, while people concerned about their physical health and/or mental wellbeing are advised to seek the help and support they need, for example through the NHS 111 phone number.

**Business support** In response to the third lockdown, closed businesses in the retail, hospitality and leisure sectors are to receive a one-off grant per business rated property as follows:

- £4,000 for businesses with a rateable value of £15,000 or under
- £6,000 for businesses with a rateable value between £15,000 and £51,000
- £9,000 for businesses with a rateable value of over £51,000.

The local restrictions grant team are identifying and emailing eligible businesses to ensure those mandated to close receive a business support grant. Please ensure you respond to emails from localrestrictionsgrant@herefordshire.gov.uk to receive grant support.

More information on the support available to businesses is available at <a href="https://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/business-1/business-advice-support/9?documentId=540&categoryId=200145">https://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/business-1/business-advice-support/9?documentId=540&categoryId=200145</a>

#### The future of rubbish and recycling in Herefordshire - survey closes Sunday 7 February 2021

A consultation is now live on the future of rubbish and recycling collection services in the county. The consultation follows a general scrutiny committee task and finish group waste management strategic review, to consider how waste management services could be delivered across the county in the future.

The council's current rubbish and recycling collection contract is due to end in 2023. Since the current service was introduced the government has announced a new national resource and waste strategy and the council will have to make changes to collections to ensure it meets new requirements. Making sure that as much as possible is recycled will be an important element of future plans, in line with the ambition for a more sustainable county outlined in the County Plan.



To find out more and to complete the survey see the consultation page on the council website at: <a href="https://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/wastesurvey">www.herefordshire.gov.uk/wastesurvey</a>. People without internet access can call FREEPHONE 0800 0730 348 (Mon – Fri, 9am-5pm) to complete the survey over the phone or request a postal survey.

<u>Highway or Footpath Defects</u> Rather than contacting the Locality Steward directly, please can I encourage you to report any defects and potholes by phone 01432 261800 or by logging onto the Herefordshire Council website <a href="https://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/info/200196/roads.">https://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/info/200196/roads.</a>
You can report the following items online:

- Faulty street light Flytipping Public right of way problem Highway drainage issue
- · Overhanging tree Pavement needing repair · Pothole or use the ReportingApp
- Road needing resurfacing Road sign defect Worn road markings or missing cats eyes

Heref ordshire.gov.uk

Councillor Christy Bolderson Email: <a href="mailto:Christy.Bolderson@herefordshire.gov.uk">Christy.Bolderson@herefordshire.gov.uk</a>

#### 7.0 Planning Applications Gwerngenny & Pontrilas Timber & Builders Merchants

**7.1** Application Number 203948 Gwerngenny Wormbridge Hereford HR2 9DT Moving the position of the proposed agricultural building

"Good afternoon, Kilpeck Parish Council considered planning application No 203948 Gwerngenny HR2 9DT. Resolved to support the application Malcolm Walker Clerk to Kilpeck Parish Council"

**7.2** Application Number 203886 Pontrilas Timber & Builders Merchants Pontrilas Hereford HR2 0BE Single storey extension of Hardwood Mill

"Good afternoon David, Re planning application No P203886/F Pontrilas Timber The Parish Council considered this application at their meeting held on the 11<sup>th</sup> January 2021. Resolved :- to raise no objections to the application. Malcolm Walker Clerk to Kilpeck Parish Council"

#### **8.0** Information Sheet for Parish Councillors

2nd May 2017 Application No 171547 Timber and Builders Merchant Pontrilas, Hereford HR2 0BE Application for approval of details reserved by conditions **3, 4 & 15** attached to

Planning Permission 142033

**Application Still Valid** 

27<sup>th</sup> August 2019 Application No192443 Land at Wormbridge (both sides of A465) Hereford

Hybrid planning application; Outline with all matters included except landscaping for 70 new dwellings, new flexible workspace (B1a/B2/B8) and replacement childcare facility; and Full Planning for the change of use of existing schoolhouse to residential and change of use of existing dwelling to a community facility (A1/A2/A3/D1) and associated infrastructure.

**Application Type Outline Still Valid** 

29<sup>th</sup> September 2020 Application No 203177 Bagwyllydiart Farm Orcop Hereford HR2 8EX

Proposed change of use of agricultural barn to two dwellings

**Application Still Valid** 

2<sup>nd</sup> December 2020 Application Number 203953 Land at Garden Lodge Whitfield Hereford HR2 9BA

Proposed replacement dwelling and detached garage

**Application Still Valid** 

Correspondence

19<sup>th</sup> December 2020 Herefordshire Council

Parish Council Precept 2021-2022

Total required £17,600.00

14<sup>th</sup> <u>December 2020</u> Report Highway Drainage Issues

A465 Orana Cottage to Wormbridge Court

**Blocked Drains** 

Case reference number CAS-784864-S3M4H1

20<sup>th</sup> December 2020

Report a Pothole

Broken Road Surface & Potholes

Top Hill to The Firs

Case reference number CAS-785113-X3F6G2

20<sup>th</sup> December 2020

Report Road Signage Defects

Kerbs / Bollards – Signs at Locks Garage

Urgent Clean Required

Case reference number CAS-784881-L4K4D5

No other correspondence received

2 x Drainage Grids blocked between Harvey Morgan and Wormbridge Garage on the A465.

Whitfield trying to reinstate the culvert

Drain under the pavement is blocked

A465 Boars Hill potholes

Locks Garage on the A465 Keep Left Bollards, Islands + Kerbs filthy and covered with weeds.

Ward Councillor to action

#### 9.0 Agenda of the Next Meeting

#### 10.0 Confirmation of the Next Meeting Time, Date & Venue

The next Meeting will be an Ordinary "ZOOM" Meeting of the Parish Council on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2021 to commence at 7.30pm

The Chairman, on behalf of the Parish Council, thanked Herefordshire Council Leader Councillor Mr John Harrington and Herefordshire Council's Senior Accident Investigation Engineer Mr Simon Hobbs for their attendance and suggestions regarding the improvement options for the A465.

The Chairman, on behalf of the Parish Council, also thanked the Council for all their help with regards to lonely and isolated residents within the parishes during this abnormal pandemic time, proving Kilpeck and the surrounding area is a good place to live.

Meeting declared closed at 8.55pm

Signed......

Parish Council Chairman Councillor Mrs Joyce T Davies

Date 8<sup>th</sup> February 2021