

Randwick and Westrip Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of the Council held at 7 pm on Wednesday February 17th 2021.

As permitted by the Local Authorities (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020 No.392 this meeting was conducted by video conference “online”.

Present

Councillors

Matt Reed

Debbi Smith

Rob Davies

Cheryl Byford

Alun Davies

Clerk: Mr B Parsons.

District Councillor Jonathan Edmunds

*1/2/21 **Apologies:** Cllrs Shaun Egan, Alex Egan and Mike Woods. Reasons for absence were approved. The Chairman was absent so Cllr Reed chaired the meeting.*

*2/2/21 **Public Forum:** There was one member of the public present and District councillor Edmunds. No issues were raised.*

*3/2/21 **Declarations of interest in items on this agenda:** None.*

*4/2/21 **Minutes:** The minutes of the meeting held on January 20th were approved and were to be signed by the chairman of the meeting.*

*5/2/21 **Report from the Officer of the Council:** Cllrs noted the contents of the Clerk’s report.*

*6/2/21 **Correspondence:** Cllrs noted the correspondence listed in the Clerk’s Report and discussed items for the next agenda. The council would not receive any tree whips from the Ash dieback replanting scheme before Autumn 2021.*

7/2/21 Questions from councillors:

*Cllr Smith asked the council to consider several issues for the next agenda: -
Siting a defibrillator in the Westrip/Cashes Green area of the parish, nominating The Carpenters’ Arms as an Asset of Community Value, obstructive parking in Westrip.*

***Action:** Cllr Smith would contact the owners of the Carpenters’ Arms to ascertain their views about nomination of assets of community value.*

*8/2/21 **District and County Councillors’ reports:** Cllr Edmunds had sent a written report and spoke briefly about SDC’s grants for support during the pandemic, growth items to be discussed at the next SDC meeting, the canal strategy, the ‘kick-start’ scheme for jobs for 16 to 24 year olds, the activities of SDC’s climate*

change officers, planting a woodland, the review of leisure facilities and temporary accommodation for homeless people.

9/2/21 Environment:

a) Finn's Way: *Cllrs discussed correspondence from residents living near Finn's Way where a bench had provided a venue for anti-social behaviour and after considering residents' concerns decided to have the bench removed.*

Action: *The Clerk to ask the head teachers of local schools whether they would like to have the bench at one of the schools.*

b) Waste bin at Finn's Way: *The council had considered siting a bin to encourage visitors to Finn's Way to dispose of litter correctly; since the bench which had attracted littering was to be removed the council decided against providing a bin.*

10/2/21 Planning applications:

a) Applications received to date:

S.21/0222/HHOLD - 2 Yew Tree Cottages, The Stocks - Demolition of front porch, erection of front and rear extension. Installation of studio in lower garden – comment – the site was accessed along a narrow lane and conditions for permission should include a robust construction method statement.

S.21/0255/FUL- Far Westrip Farm - erection of barn – no comment.

S.21/0270/TCA - Myrtle Cottage, The Lane - T1 Horse Chestnut - Fell.T2 Beech - Fell. T3 Beech - Reduce height by 3m, shape in sides by 1.5m – no comment.

b) Noted:

Permission - S.20/2717/HHOLD Myrtle Cottage The Lane Alterations to conservatory.

Permission - S.20/2592/HHOLD – 65 Humphreys Close - Front porch with side and rear wrap around extension (revised plans submitted on 01/02/2021).

11/2/21 Finance:

a) Mowing:

Resolved *Under Financial Regulation: 11.1 d councillors decided to waive financial regulations relating to contracts to enable a price to be negotiated without competition.*

Resolved: *To accept a quotation for mowing and hedge cutting.*

b) Bank reconciliation: *Cllrs considered the bank reconciliation for January.*

12/2/21 Items delegated to the Clerk and items for the next agenda: *As above including siting a defibrillator, registering an asset of community value, obstructive parking and re-appraising the Randwick Conservation Statement, appointing the internal auditor and considering increasing the sum on deposit.*

13/2/21 Orders for payment:

Parish Online

Mapping software subscription

M Lammas

February monthly contract payment

*B Parsons
due in the 4th quarter
O2*

*February salary with ALCC subscription less PAYE
mobile phone 12 Feb – 11 March*

Under the Local Authorities (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020 No.392 until May 7th 2021 parish council meetings may be held at such an hour and day as the council may determine without requirement for further notice. Parish councils can alter the frequency, move or cancel such meetings without requirement for further notice. The initial obligation to provide three clear days' notice of pc meetings will continue.

The meeting closed at 7.55 pm.