

Harborough Magna Parish Council

Virtual Meeting of the Parish Council 30 November 2020

ONLINE

Cllr Elizabeth Biggs-Poyner (EB-P)
Cllr Toby France (TF)
Cllr John Brady (JB)
Cllr Paul Skidmore (PS)
Cllr Rob Clark (RC)

Cllr Adrian Warwick (AW) – online until end of item 4.

In attendance:

Clerk: Leona Bendall
Parishioner: Harriet Hart

1.30.12.20	Welcome <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Cllr Elizabeth Biggs-Poyner welcomed all to the meeting and confirmed this would be her last meeting as in line with her plans from September 2019, would be stepping down. Cllr Adrian Warwick expressed his personal thanks and appreciation of her contribution to the village.	
2.30.12.20	Apologies for absence <p>Cllr Gillias of RBC sent his apologies as he has a Pailton meeting but Cllr Warwick will speak for him</p>	
3.30.12.20	Declarations of Interest <p>None made.</p>	
4.30.12.20	Update from County Councillors <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Cllr Adrian Warwick gave an update on some of the work that Warwick are doing to support people in Warwickshire<ul style="list-style-type: none">o He commented on the disappointing/harsh Tier 3 decisiono They have a programme to support young people leaving care, up to the age of 25 for vulnerable adults, move into independent living and WCC are asking for any surplus Christmas decorations for their first homes. He will supply a link on who to contact for gifting.o In addition to the help with holiday and free school meals, WCC making emergency payments and helping to fund utility bills for those in needo WCC's ICT staff have re-engineered 1200 laptops to give to households where children have no access to online learning etco In response to questions from Councillor Brady, AW advised that in all cases of mental health needs,	

	<p>contact should first be made with our local GPs – not WCC as this was an NHS provision.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ He also advised that he had raised the issue of cobbles for the hardstanding but instead the PC will get a choice of tarmac or grasscrete – he has also added the dropped kerb outside the new village hall to the project - that he hoped would go ahead as he champions the effort the community put into getting this built. ○ He again warned of the stark financial liabilities for local authorities that are building up – and in response to JB he said that it would be dealt with in a professional way that meets all legislation. 	
5.30.12.20	<p>Suspension of standing orders to allow parishioners of Harborough Magna to address the meeting</p> <p>No matters were raised</p>	
6.30.12.20	<p>Standing orders were resumed</p>	
7.30.12.20	<p>Approval of minutes and financial papers from July meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The minutes and financial papers from 26 October 2020 were approved and will be signed by EB-P after the meeting. 	
8.30.12.20	<p>Matters arising from the minutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - There were no matters arising from the minutes 	
9.30.12.20	<p>New Village Issues</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Two issues were raised – the first was wet leaves that are both unsightly and dangerous on the pathway outside the Manor House. Clerk was to seek support from RBC's street cleaning team to clear this. - EB-P also pointed out that the new bollards on The Green have been damaged by motorists and we should keep an eye on this. 	<p>Clerk</p> <p>All</p>
10.30.12.20	<p>Parish Plan/OSCR Project</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - EB-P again commended Mrs France who has turned her 100 Club idea to support the Hall into reality and the funds raised will make a difference - In response to a question from JB EB-P advised that the Trust has sufficient funding it to see it over the current Covid crisis and is eagerly awaiting the time when it can open its doors to visitors. 	
11.30.12.20	<p>RBC/WCC Fosse Community Forum and Walc update</p>	

	<p>was approved.</p> <p>The clerk had also circulated the draft Resilience: Community Plan for an initial discussion. She pointed out that this would always be a 'live' document, in effect a directory of contacts, to ensure it is kept up to date so people know who to contact in an emergency. The meeting agreed that this should be taken forward by a small team to secure buy-in from parishioners who would be asked to supply contact details (either landline, mobile or email) so that in an event of an emergency no one is left unaware. Councillors agreed to consider suitable names to go in as contact details for emergency support – until such time as regional or national support agencies might help. This will be discussed further at the next meeting.</p>	
15.30.12.20	<p>Correspondence</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - None received. 	
16.30.12.20	<p>Other ongoing village matters</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - EB-P suggested that the election of a new chair could be taken at the start of the next meeting and in the meantime the vice chair will act as chairman. This was agreed. - Clerk advised that the Casual Vacancy process would start at once, which means that unless 10 parishioners request an election by 16 December, the Council can proceed to co-opt a parishioner who has shown an interest in the work of the council. That person to become a member of the Council at the January meeting. - At this point EB-P was presented with flowers and a gift voucher as a personal thank you from members of the Council and Clerk. TF advised that the remaining councillors were keen to undertake some sort of community tree planting and would like EB-P to join them and plant the first tree as public recognition of her unparalleled contribution to the village. 	All
17.30.12.20	<p>Items for next agenda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Election of new chair - Decision on precept and budget - Review of Asset Register - Playpark monitoring and upgrading - Resilience: Community Plan 	All

18.30.12.20	Date of next meetings 11 January 2021 and 22 February 2021.	All
	Meeting closed at 21.27pm	

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Toby France
Chairman

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Date