

The Holton Parish Council virtual meeting (via Zoom) was held on Monday 8th June 2020 starting at 7.30 pm

Present:

Chairman Robert Barter
Councillor Allan East
Councillor Andy Murray
Councillor Brian Pridmore
Councillor Roger Farrow
Parish Clerk Sonja Barter

Also present: Tim Bearder (County Councillor)

1. Apologies: Sarah Gray

1a. Declarations of interest: none

2 To confirm the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on Monday 11th May 2020 which had been circulated to all councillors before the meeting.

Proposed by Roger Farrow

Seconded by Andy Murray

All agreed

OPEN FORUM

Tim Bearder (County Councillor) reported on the cutting back of vegetation on the A40 cycle paths but agreed that the condition of the surface of this cycle route was in need of urgent repairs and he would be pressing for more repair work to this path. The Parish Council will add their comments and make a request for surface repair work on this section.

Consultation on the closure of the toilets and lay-byes on the A40 – Holton PC has commented.

Tim Bearder raised his concerns regarding the impact of the local plan on future development.

2a Holton Coronavirus Village Support Up-date.

One request to help a vulnerable person received via Social Services and actioned by Andy Murray. Prescription deliveries organised. It appears that everyone is finding support and help when needed

3. Matters Arising from the Minutes:

Website Accessibility checks and checklist. Allan East has circulated a breakdown of the regulations and actions that the Parish Council could take in order to comply.

Bus Shelter Graffiti update – The interior to be painted in the next few days.

Effect of Brookes Development on Holton Parish: Allan East and Brian Pridmore have put together a list of options for consideration and discussion concerning the long and short term implications of the development. It was agreed that Holton Parish Council would ensure their involvement in all aspects of this development. To that end a Brookes Liaison Group would be set up.

Brookes Liaison Group: The Holton PC Chairman Robert Barter will form this group and invite the Chairman of Wheatley Parish Council Doug Lamont, Toby Newman (Wheatley Parish Councillor), Brian Pridmore (Holton Parish Councillor) and Kevin Heritage (Wheatley Park School) to join this Group and work together with relevant bodies to achieve the best possible outcome for all involved.

Bulmer's Field Footpath: Contact has been made with the owner of the field regarding a request from the parish council to acquire a strip of land along the Church side boundary to provide a footpath linking the village with the new Brookes development.

Potential Planning Enforcement – It was agreed to gather information and submit a report to SODC Enforcement.

OCC Consultation – lay-by closures on A40 Forest Hill section. The Parish Council have responded setting out their concerns that the closure of these two lay-bys could move any problems of anti-social behaviour to the area of land between the Forest Hill Road and Holton Turn which contains a well used cycle way. The existing lay-byes are always busy and obviously serve a need for parking and refreshment stops along this section of road.

4. Traffic, Road and Highway Matters

Traffic Regulation Notice – Temporary closure to carry out carriageway resurfacing works on Waterstock A418 Thame Road. 13 July – 19 July 2020 between 20.00 and 06.00.

5. Financial Matters

a. Accounts submitted for payment

Clerk's Salary June	396.00
Clive Laman May village maintenance	90.00
R. Taylor Landscapes Orchard	144.00
R. Taylor Landscapes Churchyard	171.43
Location Plan Churchyard extension	16.80
Planning Application Fee £231.00 + £25 admin fee	256.00

Received from OCC Verge Maintenance Grant - £749.65

b. Bank balances after paying above cheques and money received.

Deposit	£20,432.62
Current	£649.67

c. Notice of Public Rights and Publication of Annual Governance and Accountability Return for year ended 31st March 2020

The above is published on the two village notice boards and on the Holton PC website – Notice 3 June – 14th July 2020.

It was proposed by Brian Pridmore and seconded by Andy Murray that the Clerk's Report be accepted and the accounts paid.

All Agreed

6. District/County Councillors.

Taken in Open Forum

7. Churchyard

The change of use application has been made to SODC and the notice sent to the owner PR Holdings. Measurements and photos were taken of the site and a planning statement prepared. The vicar and church wardens have been advised and the vicar will be making contact with the Church legal team.

8. Planning Applications:

P20/S0245/FUL. Terence House, Holton.

Erection of 4 bedroom dwelling house with garage. Amendment No 3 – dated 18th May 2020. As amended by plan ref. 20-1H-001B PL. rev B which reduces the eaves and pitch of the roof and includes a single roof configuration.

Objection – Inappropriate development for the site. Too large and overbearing - overlooking and too close to adjoining properties. Much higher than the building on the extant permission.

P20/S0713/FUL. Warren Farm, Holton.

Amendment No 1 dated 29th May 2020 - Drawing no. 790/2E to replace conservatory and fenestration changes to include additional rooflight on north elevation.

No objections

9. Planning Decisions (South Oxfordshire District Council):

None

10. Reports

Enforcement reference SE20/173 Waterperry Road – driveway and hard standing.

Bonfire nuisance 20 May 2020 – Field between Poplar Mead and WP School roadside boundary.

11. Publications/Letters and forthcoming events

None

12. Items for discussion and/or referral to a future meeting:

None

13. Date of next meeting. The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on **Monday 13th July 2020** starting at 7.30 pm. Virtual format or in the village hall depending on circumstances.

There being no further business the virtual meeting closed at 9.10 pm.