

**PISHILL WITH STONOR PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of Virtual Meeting held via 'Zoom'**  
**Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2020 at 7pm**

Present: Mr. T. Dunn Chairman  
Mr. S. Stracey Vice-Chairman  
Mr. R. Collett  
Mr. R. Hunt  
Mr. S. Haq  
Mrs. P. Pearce Parish Clerk

Also present: Miss M. Burley, Mr. and Mrs. J. Drucker, Mrs. K. Henderson, Mr. A. Wilson

The Chairman welcomed all those attending.

- 64/20 Apologies for absence None
- 65/20 Declarations of interests and dispensations re: items on the agenda None
- 66/20 Public participation re: items on the agenda 7(h) Mrs Drucker
- 67/20 Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2020 Agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.
- 68/20 Matters Arising from Parish Council Meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2020  
a) Leopard Production donations (Minute 62/20 refers): In accordance with agreement at September's meeting, the Clerk had written to Leopard Pictures requesting a donation to the local community. This had been generously agreed and the sum of £198.00 received, which was divided equally between The Village Hall at Russells Water, Stonor Cricket Club and Pishill Church.
- 69/20 Planning  
P20/S1195/FUL Grove Farm, Patemore Lane, Pishill SODC decision awaited  
P20/S2737/FUL Marigay, Russells Water. New site boundaries and landscaping, erection of single storey 3-bed dwelling SODC approval 15/10/20  
P20/S2795 The Dairy, Stonor Park SODC approval 16/10/20  
P20/S2823/FUL Land at Maidensgrove Farm SODC approval 15/10/20  
P20/S3054/FUL Marigay, Russells Water. Demolition and replacement 4-bed dwelling and det. garage SODC approval 15/10/20  
P20/S3037/HH Cromwell Cottage, Stonor SODC approval 3/11/20  
P20/S3559/HH Tithe Barn, Russells Water PC response requesting SODC takes into account neighbours' views. SODC decision awaited.  
P20/S3734/HH Snowball Hill, Maidensgrove PC objection; SODC decision awaited. Mr. and Mrs. Drucker have sent further details of the proposal to SODC and the PC PC supports; SODC decision awaited.  
P20/S3871/HH The Pheasantry, Pishill PC supports; SODC decision awaited.  
P20/S3976/LB The Beehive,RW Listed Bldg Cnsnt Rev. PC supports; SODC decision awaited.  
P20/S4401/FUL Dewpond Barn Russells Water PC decision required by 23<sup>rd</sup> December.  
Land adjacent to The Orchard, Russells Water, report Mr.Collett reported that since the last meeting the caravan etc. has been removed and turf laid. The double gates remain and await SODC action.

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70/20 Parish Communications

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| a) | Noticeboards at Pishill and Stonor       | The Pishill board has been replaced in the parking area opposite 'The Crown' public house entrance. The newly constructed Stonor board has been erected outside Upper Assendon Farm barn.   |       |
| b) | Website modification                     | Vision ICT has nearly completed the work; Mr.Haq and the Clerk are to receive virtual instructions on its use shortly.  | SH/PP |
| c) | Group 'io' communication                 | Mr.Haq has made local enquiries and the consensus is that this is currently not required. It can be re-started in the future, if needed.  |       |
| d) | Sharing notice board at Village Hall, RW | Liz Longley of Swyncombe PC has requested that they be permitted to share the noticeboard at Russells Water. This was agreed on the proviso that Mr. de Segundo, the Chairman of the Village Hall, is in agreement. Mr. Collett will contact Mr. de Segundo.          | RC    |
| e) | Removal of BT telephone box in Stonor    | The Clerk had been told by a parishioner that the telephone box is to be removed by BT on 16 <sup>th</sup> December. The Parish Council had written to Dani Rogers of SODC in August 2020 stressing the need for its retention and the Clerk will contact SODC again. | PP    |

71/20 Roads

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| a) | B480                                    | Still in a poor condition; Clerk will continue to press OCC   | PP         |
| b) | Ditches                                 | Mr. Hunt reported that there has been an improvement due to the larger ditch being cleared using Parish Council. CIL funding. The smaller ditches are not cleared by OCC. It is essential to keep the largest ditch clear to prevent a large volume of rainwater collecting on the road. Mr.Stracey reported that Balham's Lane ditches have been dug out and are improved. | b/f<br>b/f |
| c) | Swale ditch, Stonor Park                | Mr. Stracey reported that the swale ditch and pond in Stonor Park will be dug out during the forthcoming week.  |            |
| d) | Church Hill, Pishill soakaway clearance | The Clerk reported that this large soakaway has finally been dug out by OCC. Their attention has been brought to the grips further up Church Hill and a request that these and the main soakaway is cleared very regularly, to prevent flooding to Pishilbury and Foxglove Cottages.  |            |

72/20 Commons Report

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| a) | Driving on Commons                   | Mr. Haq and Mr. Collett reported seeing tracks on Maidensgrove Common, with one set of 'swirls' and off-roader tracks.  |  |
| b) | Driving on fields                    | Mr. Hunt and Mr. Stracey reported that there is a currently a small amount of activity, but this is restricted by the gates and ditches.  |  |
| c) | Fly-tipping pork offal, Maidensgrove | The Clerk reported that there have been two incidents of pork offal fly-tipping on Maidensgrove Common. The first was removed by Stonor Park, the second by Mr. Ian Beecher-Jones, for which the parish council is extremely grateful. Parishioners on the mailing list |  |

72/20 Commons Report (cont)

- c) Fly-tipping pork offal, Maidensgrove (cont) have been alerted in the hope that better information can be sent to the authorities and the perpetrator(s) discouraged.

73/20 Footpaths Report

Mr. Hunt reported that the gate on the footpath between Stonor and Maidensgrove needs repair. Maggie Templeman (Chiltern Society) has been contacted and is going to organise the repair of the Maidensgrove/Stonor footpath gate. The stile by the farm is also going to be repaired but probably not until the New Year 74/20

74/20 Refuse and Waste Management

- a) Litter picker distribution. Mr. Haq reported that, following an email being sent, three sets of litter pickers have been issued. He suggested photographing the equipment available and sending out another email to encourage a better response. He and the Clerk will arrange the mail shot. SH/PP
- b) Maidensgrove refuse collection Mr. Andy Wilson was thanked for his organisation of the track repair which has resulted in the continuation of refuse collections. The residents affected had contributed two-thirds of the cost, the Parish the remaining third. Mr. Wilson reported that the track was being used a great deal now, particularly by delivery drivers.

75/20 Administration

- a) Data Protection Audit Mr. Haq and the Clerk had completed the annual Data Protection Audit and this was signed 'in vision' by Mr. Haq who will deliver it to the Clerk for safe-keeping. SH
- b) Defibrillator checks The defibrillators have been checked by the Clerk. b/f

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- a) Bank statement The Clerk reported that the Community Account balance was £15,398.72 and the Flexible Account balance £6.76.
- b) Receipts and payments Receipt: £198.00 from Leopard Productions  
Cheques issued since last meeting and ratified:  
Ch.no: 100612 Butler & Proctor, track repair £960.00  
100613 Pishill Church, donation £ 66.00  
100614 Village Hall, RW donation £ 66.00  
100615 Stonor Cricket Club, donation £ 66.00  
Cheques issued at meeting:  
Ch.no: 100616 HMRC (Clerk's PAYE) £175.36  
100617 P.A.Pearce (Clerk's wages 11wks @ £84 pw + expenses  
Printer ink £50.80 + \*Amazon voucher £50 for Mr Eastwood £849.44  
100618 T.Dunn (repayment Waitrose wine as \*gratuity to Mr.Godfrey)£ 20.00
- c) \*Gratuities re: notice board replacement At the last meeting it had been agreed to acknowledge the generosity of Mr. Eastwood and Mr. Godfrey in making and installing the two parish noticeboards in Pishill and Stonor. The Clerk had bought and sent a £50.00 Amazon

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- c) \*Gratuities re: notice brd replacement voucher to Mr. Eastwood, Mr. Dunn had bought 2 btls of wine, which were delivered to Mr Godfrey.
- d) Budget The Budget was discussed and agreed unanimously.
- e) Precept request to SODC Whilst CIL funds are good, the Precept will prove to be only just sufficient to cover expenditure in 2019-20 and it was therefore reluctantly agreed to increase this for the forthcoming year to £6500.00. Mr. Dunn proposed the rise of £500; seconded by Mr. Hunt, agreed by Mr. Collett and Mr. Haq; not agreed by Mr.Stracey. Proposal carried by 4 votes to 1.  
The Clerk is to inform SODC accordingly. PP  
It was proposed that the CIL funds should be moved to the Flexible Current account. b/f
- f) Excel progress The Clerk reported that, as a result of Mr. Collett’s excellent instruction, she was beginning to master Excel and hopes to begin using this properly from the beginning of 2021.

77/20 Other Matters for Discussion at the discretion of Chairman

Mrs.Drucker spoke briefly on P20/S3734/HH, Snowball Hill; noted by the Councillors and Clerk.

78/20 Date, place and time of next meeting To be confirmed: If Covid restrictions do not apply, it is proposed that the Parish Council will meet on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> February at 7.00 p.m. at a venue to be decided. If Covid restrictions do apply, the meeting may be postponed until March.

The Chairman thanked all those for attending and closed the meeting at 7.40 p.m.

.....Chairman

