

**WHICHAM PARISH COUNCIL  
DRAFT MINUTES OF THE TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL  
MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 5 AUGUST 2020 COMMENCING AT  
07.30PM**

**PRESENT:** Cllr M. Cumming (Chair) Cllr P Rand, Cllr S Wilson and Cllr M Sharpe

**31/20: APOLOGIES,** Cllr A Fell, Cllr S Millar, Cllr C Lowery and Cllr R Jopson

**32/20 Exclusions of Press and Public**  
None

**33/20 Declarations of Interest**  
None

**34/20 Minutes of the meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2020**  
The minutes of the meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2020 were approved Proposed by Cllr Rand, Seconded by Cllr Sharpe. The Clerk stated that all approved minutes would be signed by the Chair at the first meeting held face to face.

**35/20 Police Liaison Report**  
A report had been previously circulated.

**36/20 PROGRESS REPORTS**  
None

**37/20 Public Participation Session**  
None present

**38/20 County Councilor and Borough Councilor Report**  
None received. A letter of complaint had been received regarding speeding through the village down to the beach and requesting for a 30mph speed limit and a footpath to be installed. Concerns were expressed that the new café may also increase traffic flow down to the beach. The Clerk was requested to write to County Cllr Hitchen to request that this matter be addressed urgently

**39/20 Applications for Development**  
**39/20.1** To examine applications for development and submit observations to the Planning Authority  
**None received**

**39/20.2** To ratify the observations submitted by the Clerk under devolved  
None

**39/20.3** To note the decisions of the statutory planning authority with regards to recent applications:

7/2020/4051 Monk Foss Farm, Whitbeck,  
Agricultural building to house slurry.

Prior Approval Not Required Notification of Intention (Agricultural, Q6g)

7/2020/4043 2 Summerhill Cottages, Whitbeck

Single storey extension to the side and part of the front of the dwelling. This will replace and extend an existing conservatory

Approved with Conditions

#### 40/20 FINANCIAL RECORDS

**40/20.1** To approve the following payments:

J Hillier	Toilet Cleaning July	£519.10
Black Combe PCC	Grass cutting July	£ 75.00
Thomas Graham Ltd	Toilet supplies	£ 94.46
KMC Grafix Ltd	Signage for toilets	£ 33.50
Proposed by Cllr Wilson, Seconded by Cllr Cumming		
J Hillier	Furlough pay July	£ 57.00

It was resolved that Mr Hillier be pay one third of the furlough monies for the first 10 days of July

Proposed by Cllr Cumming, Seconded by Cllr Wilson

**40/20.2** To note the receipt of payment

Donation boxes –	Beach	£ 175.51
	Church	£ 384.93

It was noted that parking was a problem at the church when sponsored walks up the Combe were taking place that clashed with church services. The Clerk to put a statement on social media.

**40/20.3** To receive and note the **bank reconciliation** statement

None undertaken

**40/20.4** To consider the **Budget Comparison Report** as at 31 July 2020

No actions required but to be reviewed September re increased costs around the toilets.

#### 41/20 PARISH MATTERS

##### **41/20.1 Silecroft Beach car park and toilets**

Cllr Rand reported that the car park was filling up more quickly than normal and cars were having to park on the road which is creating problems for local residents. On the whole there have been very few problems but one person has persistently been camping overnight on the car park. The Clerk to send a letter this person.

Toilets are being opened 10am – 5pm daily and there has been positive feedback from visitors. The use of paper towels is creating a problem re disposal and needs addressing. There had been a complaint re lack of toilet paper but this was on a day which was very hot and there were an increased number of visitors. The leaking toilet had now been fixed.

Councillors thanked Cllr Rand for his report and the work he is doing in assisting the cleaner.

##### **41/20.2 Silecroft Beach Café**

###### **a) Proposed New cafe**

An email had been received from CBC solicitor requiring additional information and giving points that the Councillors need to consider. The proposed location of the site compound may encroach too close to the slipway. It may be necessary to move the banking further back behind the proposed build site to enable cars to pass to access the toilets and ramp. It is expected that work on the build will commence in January 2021 with a July completion. It will be necessary to monitor car park usage and look at alternative schemes for parking once the café is built.

Cllr Rand requested that the potholes be refilled. Cllr Sharpe to organize.

It was agreed that Cllr Rand would undertake a twice weekly survey of the numbers visiting the car park and the beach to provide a bench mark for future data.

**41/20.3 Attack Kite Flying**

Cllr Rand reported that he had received a response from the CAA which was not helpful. The police are not interested. The Clerk to approach the organizer the next time they arrive and ask for a copy of their risk assessment and public liability insurance. If this cannot be produced they will be asked to leave the beach.

**41/20.4 Play areas Inspection report**

The Clerk reported that notification had been received that the play areas would be inspected in August.

**41/20.5 War Memorial**

The Clerk reported that she had received some poppy seeds and these would be planted in September

**42/20 Reports from outside bodies**

None. Cllr Rand stated that he would attend the 3 tier meeting. The Clerk reported that the South Copeland Partnership had begun meeting again.

**43/20 CORRESPONDENCE** All correspondence had been circulated to councilors. The following had not been circulated.

- An email had received from Silecroft Village Hall requesting that the grass at the rear of the village hall be added to the grass cutting contract. This grass is the responsibility of the Village Hall and it was agreed that this needed to be addressed by the village hall committee and was not the responsibility of the Parish Council.

**44/19 Councilor Matters**

- Cllr Fell had reported to the Clerk that he was obtaining 3 quotations for the replacing of the fence surrounding the car park at Silecroft
- Cllr Fell had reported to the Clerk that he was still awaiting a quotation for the repairs to the entrance of the church car park

**45/19 DATE OF NEXT MEETING** – The date of the next meeting will be 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2020

There being no further business the meeting closed at 21.06

Signed..... Dated.....