

**Minutes of the virtual (Zoom) meeting of Worth Parish Council held on Wednesday 07 April 2021 at 7.30pm.**

**PRESENT (via Zoom):** Cllrs Kennett, (Chair), Parnell, Heard, Atkinson Clarke, Manion, Kenton and Kevin Lynch, Locum Parish Clerk: Seven members of the Public.

		<b>Action</b>
1. To receive apologies	Cllr Whittaker	
2. To receive Declarations of Interest to matters included on the agenda	None.	
3. To resolve that the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 02 March 2021 are a correct record	Proposed: Cllr Clarke, Seconded: Cllr Heard  Agreed: All	
4. District Councillors and Public Participation	Cllr Manion briefed Council on Community Grants and the Open.  Cllr Kenton briefed Council on Refuse/recycling collections, fly-tipping, litter collection, and Covid testing.  Mr Crofts thanked the Council for on-going help with the cricket pavilion, notified Council that a new Treasurer had been appointed for Worth Cricket Club and re-confirmed the Worth Parish and Worth Cricket Club good working relationship.  Cllr Atkinson, on the matter of litter, questioned the reasons for lack of enforcement – especially as it was not local drivers depositing litter on verges.  Cllr Kennett thanked Cllrs and Members of the Public for their comprehensive reports.  The Chair notified Council and members of the public that discussions of the Highway Improvement Plan (HIP) would take place at Item 8	
5. No agenda Item 5	<b>N/A</b>	
6. Matters Arising	(i) Playground Inspections – ongoing, the Council with residents was monitoring work, developments, and potential risks.  (ii) WPC Logo - ongoing	
7. Public Spaces	Mr Martin raised the fly-tipping near The Paddock next to the new development. Mr Martin agreed to send the Clerk photographs.	
8. Highways Improvement Plan	Council resolved that: -  (i) The draft Highways Improvement Plan (HIP) would, with amendments to be submitted by Cllr Kennett, be circulated to Worth Residents with a covering note that contributors should state if they were living in Worth Parish.	<b>SK/KL</b>

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	(ii) They would vigorously and pro-actively support the final findings of the Highways Improvement Plan as submitted to KCC (Highways)	<b>All</b>
9. Future Meetings	Council agreed that the Annual Parish Meeting and the Annual Worth Parish Council Meeting would be held, remotely, back-to-back on 04 May starting at 7.30pm.	<b>KL</b>
10. Conveyancing of the Car Park	The Clerk stressed that at present he did not have the capacity to take on work related to the conveyancing of the car park or researching the responsibilities of running and maintaining a car park.  Council resolved that the Clerk would inform the developer that because of capacity and other issues that we would need to put this matter on hold for six months.  Proposed: Cllr Heard Seconded: Cllr Clarke. Agreed: All	<b>KL</b>
11. Website	Council noted that the new website was up and running and that it was a work in progress.	
12. Defibrillator	Council resolved that they would purchase an annual defibrillator service contract.  Proposed: Cllr Heard, Seconded Cllr Parnell. Agreed All.	<b>KL</b>
13. Finance	Council resolved to agree the WPC March Payment schedule.  Proposed: Cllr Parnell, Seconded Cllr Clarke Agreed: All  Council agreed to review FY 2020/2021 expenditure at the May meeting.	<b>SK</b>
14. Agenda Items for the May Annual Parish Council meeting	Worth Parish Council Logo, the Financial outturn for 2020/2021, the possible co-option of another Councillor along with the usual Annual Parish Council matters (election of Chair, possible Vice-Chair, review of Standing Orders etc).	<b>KL</b>
15. Date of next Meeting (via Zoom)	See Item 9. The Clerk to send out agendas and Zoom instructions.	<b>KL</b>
16. Locum Clerk Report (Closed Session)	See separate Minute.	<b>KL</b>
	<b>The Meeting Closed at 10.10pm</b>	