

<p>Mark Conway, Emergency Planning Manager, CBC had contacted Cllr. Cooney. Suggested a “Flood” WhatsApp group to let everyone know. Cllr. Fraser would set one up for the Council. Not sure about residents because of GDPR. The Clerk had contacted Mr. Conway and Alys Bishop to enquire about a “Flood Tool Kit”, which they said they would work with us to do. Also, a Plan needs to be drawn up. Sandbags have been delivered (full) and people down Mill Lane do have them to hand. Decision – Start a WhatsApp group and Clerk to keep in contact with Mark Conway and Alys Bishop to organize a Flood Tool Kit. Moving forward, Council to make a “Flood Plan”.</p>	<p>Cllr. Fraser</p>								
<p>5. Finance – The following invoice was presented for payment: -</p> <p>30.11.20. Clerk Linda Collins – November Wages only. £222.98. RESOLUTION – All Councillors agreed to payment of invoice.</p> <p>Paid since last meeting agreed by email and second authorised by Chairman. J. Pennington flowers planters - £50.57, Linda Collins, Clerk Oct Wages, £222.78, Mark Zwetsloot Trees in Church Yard pollard - £723.00, Stuart Memorial Hall Hire - £31.00, James Donnelly re website - £25.20, HMRC Clerk Tax - £0.40p. Lastly BATPC courses for Clerk and Cllr. Sutton £60 (£30 per candidate).</p> <p>Bank Reconciliation 13th January 2021</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Cash book Balance</td> <td>£20,800.51</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Savings</td> <td>£15,488.07</td> </tr> <tr> <td><u>Tempsford 2000</u></td> <td><u>£1,167.28</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total</td> <td>£37,455.86</td> </tr> </table> <p>Neighbourhood Plan have £4,296.05 ringed fenced in the account which leaves the Parish Council £33,159.81</p> <p>Precept – The Clerk had sent in the Precept with a request to keep it the same as last year.</p> <p>CPRE – Request for an extra £100 donation in addition to our annual affiliation fee of £36.00. This was emailed to everyone before the meeting so a decision could be made. RESOLUTION – All Councillors voted against this request.</p>	Cash book Balance	£20,800.51	Savings	£15,488.07	<u>Tempsford 2000</u>	<u>£1,167.28</u>	Total	£37,455.86	<p>CLERK</p> <p>CLERK</p>
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<p>6. CBC</p> <p>Councillor Wye commented that she had not heard anything further regarding the problem of black plastic bags in the ditches down near Old Station Yard, but could the Clerk just find out if any office from CBC did come and attend. Regarding the traffic, this would be a case for Highways Officer. There is a new “Fix my Street” on CBC website to encourage people to report blocked drains, potholes etc.</p> <p>Tree Planting Grant – Cllr. Donnelly had requested this to be included as he thought that the Council could apply for the grant for some trees in the Gannock Castle area or anywhere else within in the village. Clerk to investigate and apply if possible.</p>	<p>CLERK</p>								
<p>7. Police</p> <p>No meetings had taken place for Cllr. Goddard to attend. Crime report reported 2 incidents in December.</p>									

<p>8. Planning CB/20/04616/FULL – 5-6 Bakers Lane. Alterations to previous plan that the Council had no objections to. RESOLUTION - Whole Council agreed No Objections. Sawfords Meadow - Archaeological dig taken place. The Clerk was contacted that this was taking place. Therefore, contacted CBC Planning, who investigated and confirmed this was the case. Wheatsheaf Pub – No real update, although the owner has indicated he will open again after the Covid shut down. Planning is helping with change of windows under the listed buildings regulations. Permissive Path – No reply as yet from Estate. Kiosk Barn – Cllr. Sutton had asked the Estate to put some sort of cover on this, he also contacted CBC about it. It has now been covered again with a plastic covering. Neighbourhood Plan – No further update from last meeting. Planning Applications – Cllr. Donnelly requested that when Councillors reply to the Clerk – could they ensure that they reply to “all” not just the clerk so that other Councillors can see what their thoughts are about that application.</p>	
<p>9. Highways The Chairman did not have anything to report on at this present time. Cllr. Sutton reported that Anglian Water still had a few holes that needed filling.</p>	
<p>10. Play areas The Clerk reported that the tree work that was going to start this week had been delayed by the Contractor as he had Covid. but would be starting in February now.</p>	
<p>11. Churchyard/cemetery The damaged gravestone, Mark will get it put right. He has asked to meet Cllr. Cooney to discuss matters. Tree fallen down in Church yard. It has been partly cut down and made safe, but not allowed any further because of Covid restrictions. Bench in the Millennium Garden has been damaged by a fallen branch. The tree near the bench is dead and needs to be taken down. Cllr. Cooney has arranged to get a price to have this done. Resolution – Millennium Garden fund to pay for repair to bench. Cllr. Sutton – reported that the Rectory wanted to put kerbs on the driveway leading up to their gate. Not on our land. Decision - Council has no objections.</p>	<p>Cllr. Cooney. Cllr. Cooney/Clerk.</p>
<p>12. Defib The Clerk had obtained quotes for the re-siting of this at Gannock House. Quotes were emailed to Councillors. Decision by Council to accept – Bedfordshire Electrical. Clerk to inform and organize.</p>	<p>CLERK.</p>
<p>13. Next Meeting The next meeting is March 15th 2021, which will probably be another virtual meeting.</p>	
<p>The meeting closed at 21.15 hrs. and the Chairman thanked all Councillors for their attendance and input.</p>	

I certify these Minutes to be a true record of the Ordinary Virtual Meeting held on the 18th January 2021.

Chairman – Adrian Besant

Date: