

**MINUTES OF A VIRTUAL MEETING OF WISTASTON PARISH COUNCIL
HELD VIA ZOOM PLATFORM ON THURSDAY 8th APRIL 2021 AT 7.30 P.M.**

Present: Cllr. J. Moore (Chairman)
Cllrs. D. Houston, D. Lucas, R. Moore, G. Roberts, J. Revell, R. Squirrell, J. Scott & T Kilkenny.

In Attendance: Kerri Condliffe (Clerk) & Mrs. A. Cross.

198 APOLOGIES Cllr D Millington & Borough Cllr. Mrs. M. Simon.

199 MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on 18th March 2021, be approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

200 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made in respect of any items on the Agenda.

201 PLANNING MATTERS

**(i) The following application has been notified from Cheshire East Council
The Planning Subcommittee's Recommendations were presented at the meeting.**

The following items were **RESOLVED:**

21/1360N – Two Storey Side Extension and Single Storey Rear Extension – 22 Church Lane
No Objections.

(ii) The following planning decisions have been notified from Cheshire East Council

20/4305N- Extension to provide accommodation for elderly parents
84 Laidon Avenue – **APPROVED with conditions.**

202 CLERK'S REPORT

The Council considered the Clerks Report.

(i) Wistaston in Bloom Planting & Maintenance of the Village Flower Beds

The Council **APPROVED** the quotation from Crewe Road Nurseries for the sum of £5290.00 & Vat being the only quotation received (funded from line 18 Wistaston In Bloom), the Clerk will send them a letter accepting the quotation.

(ii) Delegation of Authority whilst Meetings are postponed due to Coronavirus Pandemic

RESOLVED: That the Clerk, in consultation with the Chairman and Vice Chairman be authorised to act on behalf of the Council whilst meetings are postponed due to the Coronavirus pandemic.

(iii) Tree Inspection

RESOLVED: That the quotation Treewise to carry out an inspection of all trees at Joey the Swan Recreation land, in the sum of £1350.00 & Vat be accepted. (Funded from Line 28 Environment General).

(iv) Annual Insurance

The Council **APPROVED** the renewal of the Insurance with Zurich as part of the long term agreement, for the period 1st June 2021 – 31st May 2022 at a cost of £1150.95 (funded from line 6 – Insurances)

(v) Dog Waste Bins – Bloor Homes Estate

A member of the public has requested additional Dog Waste bins be placed on the public footpath through the new Bloor Homes estate. The Chairman mentioned that Bloor homes are responsible for the maintenance of the estate as residents pay a fee towards the upkeep. The Council have requested the Clerk to get in touch with the member of the public to let them know that in this instance the Parish Council are unable to get involved as it is something they would have to take up with Bloor Homes and Cheshire East.

(vi) Grants to Voluntary / Other Bodies

Wistaston Community Council – Fireworks	£850
Wistaston Community Council – Underwriting	£2,000
St. Mary’s Church – Mtce. of Churchyard	£3,000
Royal British Legion – Remembrance (Payment to be made in November 2021)	£350
Memorial Hall Bowling Club – Towards Hedge Cut	£350
Wistaston Young Drama Group – Room Hire	£500
Wistaston Conservation Group – Insurance / tools	£750
Wistaston Green Allotment Site – Towards compost toilet	£500
Wistaston Jubilee Tennis Club – 50% towards rebuild practice board court	£230
35 th SWC Scout Group – 50% towards cost of 8 2-man tents	£400
Memorial Hall Man Cttee. – Towards improved Wi-Fi	£650
	<u>£9,580</u>

The Clerk will pay the grants upon receipt of the bank details from the Organisations as they are being paid via BACS this year due to the Pandemic.

(vii) PCC Response regarding Heavy Goods Vehicle Speeding

Members received the response from the PCC with regards to Heavy Goods Vehicles speeding along the A534 Crewe road and also the response from the Local Policing Inspector for information only.

(viii) Subsidence Claim – 74 Beech Drive

The Clerk will chase the Council's Insurance company to confirm that T5 Oak tree does not exist and it was a typing error.

The Clerks Report was accepted by Council.

203 FINANCE**(i) Schedule of Accounts and Receipts and Payments Statement (as amended)**

RESOLVED: That the Receipts and Payments Statement and the Schedule of Accounts for payment April 2021 (as per attached totalling £3983.70) have been approved.

(ii) Accounts for Year End 31st March 2021

RESOLVED: The Accounts be approved and signed by the Chairman and Responsible Finance Officer at this meeting. A notice be posted on 14th June 2021 to 23rd July 2021 giving residents the opportunity of inspecting the Accounts.

(iii) Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2020/21

RESOLVED: That

1. Section 1 Annual Governance Statement 2020/2021 of the Annual Governance & Accountability Return be approved and signed by the Chairman and Clerk. The Council have reviewed the effectiveness of the accounting records and control systems and found them satisfactory.
2. Section 2 Accounting Statements 2020/2021 of the Annual Governance & Accountability Return be approved and signed by the Chairman and Responsible Finance Office.

204 ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT

The Environmental Report from Cllr. Scott was received by Council.

The meeting closed at 8.02 p.m.