

Hemblington Parish Council

Minutes of the virtual Hemblington Parish Council Meeting held on the “Zoom” platform on Monday 30th November 2020 at 7.30pm.

PRESENT

Present – John Applegate, Jutta Koch, Caroline Ramsay, Bryan Slater and Steven Ford (Clerk).

1. The Vice Chairman, Bryan Slater, welcomed those present.
2. **To consider apologies for absence and agree any necessary actions.**
Anthony Howe (Chair).
3. **To receive Declarations of Interest on items on the Agenda.**
None.
4. **Open Forum - for parishioners to raise questions on and/or make statements about matters on the agenda.**
 - 4.1 Cllr Nigel Brennan reported that his District Council member's grant of £500 was available for applications from community organisations until the end of December. He explained that other parishes had worked with local schoolchildren to design speed awareness signs that had then been professionally made and mounted on highway posts near local schools. The signs had proved effective in reinforcing awareness of speed limits in rural areas.
5. **To approve the Minutes of the meetings held on 30th September 2020.**
 - 5.1 The council **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the meeting as a true record.
6. **To report on matters arising from the Minutes not on the Agenda: *for information only.***
 - 6.1 The clerk was asked to contact Mr and Mrs Norton to ask if overgrown vegetation could be cut back to improve visibility of the new noticeboard.
7. **Casual Vacancy**
 - 7.1 No applications received to date.
8. **Consideration of web site administrator for 2021.**
 - 8.1 It was **AGREED** that the quotation from CG Design was the most competitive. The clerk was requested to obtain a breakdown of the total costs that would arise in the first year.
9. **Parish Precept 2021-2022**
 - 9.1 It was **RESOLVED** to set a precept of £3300. A full explanation of how the precept would be spent will be given at the annual meeting in May.
10. **Update on village sign for Hemblington and agree any necessary actions.**
 - 10.1 An update on progress would be circulated by email.
11. **Consideration of provision of additional dog waste bin.**
 - 11.1 John Applegate had been monitoring use of the existing dog bins and had found that the only one that reached capacity was the bin by the new notice board in Pedham Road. That bin was in Blofield Heath and it was **AGREED** to look for feedback from Hemblington residents on the need for an additional dog bin and where it should be located. The clerk would put a notice on the website and Focal Point.

PLANNING

12. **To consider council feedback on planning applications received from Broadland District Council**
 - 12.1 None received.

FINANCE

13. To approve invoices for payment and to note bank reconciliation.

15.1 It was **RESOLVED** to approve the invoices listed in Appendix 1 for payment, clerk to action. The bank reconciliation showing a balance of £177.58p in the Premium Account and £21,819.59p in the Community account was noted.

14. Parish Clerk's correspondence

None.

15. Future agenda items.

To take out a Zoom subscription or use Microsoft Teams as a free alternative, consideration of additional dog bins, additional speed warning signs.

15. To confirm the date of the next Parish Council Meeting – 25th January 2021

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.49pm.

Signed.....

Dated 25th January 2021