

Minutes of the meeting of **Cainscross Town Council's Full Council** held on Tuesday 26 May 2020, commencing at **6.00pm** remotely using the Microsoft Teams media.

Present: Councillors Carlos Novoth (Chair)
Graham Barton (Vice-Chair)
David Dale
Jenny Miles (Parish & District)
Clive White

In Attendance: Clerk Jeni Marshall

County Councillor Lesley Williams
District Councillor Tom Williams

Apologies: Councillors Eileen Berry
Adrian Cross
Leah Gray
Diane Prosser
Ros Scott-Hodgetts
Ron Smith

FC58/20 To receive apologies
Apologies were received from Councillors as above.

FC59/20 To confirm the minutes of the last meeting of the Council
The Minutes of the last meeting of the Council held on Monday 27 April 2020 were approved as a correct record and will be signed on the return to work following lockdown.

FC60/20 To receive any declarations of interest
None

FC61/20 To receive any representations or questions from members of the public
None present

FC62/20 To receive the Clerk's Report
The Clerk reported that her work has changed quite considerably and she is spending a lot of time responding to parishioners who need regular help with such things as shopping and picking up prescriptions, even putting out bins. At present there are about 15 regular parishioners needing help as well as many one off requests and a small team of volunteers has been developed who help when necessary. She has also spent quite a lot of time training with AdvantEdge on the new accounts package. Emergency repairs to a fence at the Cashes Green Allotments have been ordered. The reason this decision was taken is that the fence was starting to come down and without action and due to the high winds, the fence was likely to come down in totality and cost the Council a lot more. With regard to the staff, the Clerk and Assistant Clerk are managing to work together albeit remotely and foresee this continuing until the hub, hall and toilets can re-open. The Senior Groundsman is now back to work from 8 – 1

five days a week with his Assistant covering weekends. The Clerk plans to monitor how things go with the staff and dependent on the figures for the virus in the area will work toward resuming normal hours over the coming weeks. The staff are now meeting at the Pavilion in a social distancing way every Tuesday at 10.30 to discuss anything that is happening or needs to happen and allocate workloads.

The daily figures in the District and County remained static for the last week or so and Gloucester County Council have now decided not to carry out a daily update but to update on a Tuesday and Friday going forward.

FC63/20

To receive any reports from County and District Councillors

County Councillor Lesley Williams confirmed the latest numbers for Covid-19 in Gloucestershire with a total number of recorded cases of 1365, 197 of those being in Stroud. The total number of deaths to date is 221 but this is only in hospitals and therefore the real number including care homes and home deaths is likely to be nearer 550.

She confirmed that the recycling centre at Pyke Quarry is preparing to re-open.

She asked members to contact her if they have any specific questions.

District Councillor Tom Williams confirmed that Stroud District Council is getting back to a 'mirror image' of normality with remote meetings. There is a remote audit and scrutiny meeting where they will need to consider finance including such things as non-payment of rents during the lockdown. Councillor White commented that work appears to have started on the old Cope Chat site. Councillor Williams explained that as far as he was aware they are able to start building however there is an issue with Severn Trent who are due to renew the mains sewer in Stroud and the route runs directly under where the shop will be built.

District Councillor Jenny Miles confirmed that the Development Control Committee will hold their first virtual meeting on June 16 and as lockdown is relaxed plan to hold social distancing meetings although those shielding will still be able to attend using zoom.

Planning, Highways, Amenities & Recreation

FC64/20

To consider the following Planning Applications

- 41 Etheldene Road, Cashes Green – Erection of three dwellings in place of single dwelling
After due discussion members resolved to Object to this application for the following reasons
 - the 3 properties would constitute overdevelopment and would be overbearing in nature
 - The design of the properties is not in sync with the present street scene.
 - The design does not provide sufficient amenity space.
 - the additional traffic created will only aggravate the already difficult access and problems experienced in such a narrow road.
- 76 Devereaux Crescent, Ebley - Two storey side extension. Dropped kerb vehicular access
No objections

- Land West of 39 Devereaux Crescent, Ebley - Erection of 5 dwellings with associated vehicle parking and landscaping
Although members agree with the planning in principle they would like to draw the District Councils attention to the increase of traffic flow on the already very busy Foxmoor Lane
- Land adjacent to 14 Orchard Road, Ebley -Erection of 5 dwellings with associated vehicle parking and landscaping
Members resolved to support this application in principle but would like to draw the District Councils attention to the narrow access and hope this will be addressed.

FC65/20To note any Planning Decisions

- S.19/2553/HHOLD –12 Fort View Terrace - Two Storey Extension – **PERMITTED**
- S.20/0041/HHOLD – Cherrington, East Drive – Rear extension to bungalow and new open porch – **PERMITTED**
- S.19/2669/FUL – Land at 331 Westward Road – Erection of a dwelling and associated works – **REFUSED**
- S.20/0075/LAC – Payphone Cashes Green Road – Removal of Public Payphone – **NO OBJECTIONS**
- S.20/0077/LAC – Payphone Mosley Road – Removal of Public Payphone – **NO OBJECTIONS**
- S.20/0216/HHOLD – 59 The Beagles – Single Storey extension – **PERMITTED**

FC66/20To consider cancellation of the proposed Music Day in the Park

Following due discussion, it was resolved that rather than cancel the music day, it would be postponed until the 27 June 2021. Councillor Barton commented that if things improve at a more rapid rate than expected, we could potentially hold an impromptu event.

FC67/20To consider a request for a reduction in rent of 50% from Victory Park Bowls Club

Members discussed the situation and acknowledged that the club would be losing money due to lack of fees. They did however feel that they would like some more information about running costs and the total fees they have lost over the season. The Clerk will enquire and bring this back to the June meeting.

FC68/20To consider Stroud District Councils Public Spaces Protection Order regarding Dog control and respond to the review

Members agreed that the order appeared to be sensible and did not wish to suggest any amendments.

FC69/20To consider fees for the following;

- Cainscross RFC – Members considered the fees and although due to the present situation they felt they should remain the same, there was a lot of concern over the poor state the building is in, being only 6 years old. It was generally agreed that the club had made no effort to look after the building despite many requests and if this was to continue, the Council would employ someone to bring the building

back to a good standard and this cost would be reflected in the fees. Cleaning has also been an issue and again it was agreed that if the club were not willing to look after the building then a cleaner would be employed and again these costs would be reflected in the fees. The Clerk will write to the team setting out these conditions.

- Cainscross & Rodborough Old Boys
It was agreed the fees will remain the same for the forthcoming year.
- Cashes Green FC
It was agreed the fees will remain the same for the forthcoming year. Councillor Miles raised concerns regarding their initial agreement to incorporate some girl's teams in to the club. This has clearly not happened and the Clerk was asked to enquire as to their plans to incorporate this.

Finance & Staffing

- FC70/20** To authorise payments
Payments were approved for the period of 1 April to the 19 May, a total including VAT of £6015.28
- FC71/20** To approve amended Grant Policy
Due to no longer having the Power of General Competence, the grant form has been amended to remove the ability to give grants to individuals. Members resolved to approve the policy.
- FC72/20** To note a grant received from Renishaw towards the inclusive Play Area at Victory Park
The grant was noted.
- FC73/20** To consider the following grant applications
- Cobolt
 - Great Western Air Ambulance
- Members discussed both applications and were reminded that the grant policy states that 'grants will not be awarded to national or regional charities unless for a project in the Parish.' Following further discussion, it was resolved that due to the present pandemic, money may well be needed in the Parish and therefore they would not be able to make a grant to these charities at present, but will consider them again later in the year.
- FC74/20** To confirm the date and time of the next meeting of the Council
The next Full Council meeting will take place on 29 June 2020 at 6pm.

Signed

Dated

Payments for authorisation – All Paid by Bank Transfer

Gross	Vat	Net	Committee	Date	Invoiced	
211.50	35.25	176.25	FSP	9/4/2020	Konica Minolta Business Solutions (UK) Ltd	Photocopier Rental
158.70	26.45	132.25	FSP	12/04/2020	Microshade Business Consultants Ltd	Cloud Hosting
1551.73	00.00	1551.73	FSP	22/04/2020	GAPTC	Annual Subscription
30.00	00.00	30.00	FSP	23/04/2020	PATA (UK)	Payroll Services
46.80	7.80	39.00	PHAR	30/04/2020	Smith's (Gloucester) Ltd	Trade Waste
405.44	0.00	405.44	PHAR	01/04/2020	Stroud District Council	Rates Changing Rooms
120.00	0.00	120.00	PHAR	14/04/2020	Aqueous Cleaning	Bus Shelter Cleaning
0.50	0.00	0.50	FULL	29/04/2020	DVLA	DVLA Van Registration
102.88	0.00	102.88	PHAR	01/04/2020	Severn Trent Water	Cainscross Allotments
102.88	0.00	102.88	PHAR	01/04/2020	Severn Trent Water	Ebley Allotments
30.00	0.00	30.00	FSP	22/04/2020	PATA (UK)	Payroll Services
1511.85	0.00	1511.85	FSP	23/04/2020	HMRC	PAYE/NIC
435.00	0.00	435.00	FULL	23/04/2020	GAPTC	Internal Audit
968.00	161.32	806.68	PHAR	16/04/2020	R H Attwood	Grounds maintenance
72.00	12.00	60.00	PHAR	24/04/2020	Down to Earth	Cashes Green Allotments
267.50	0.00	267.50	FULL	30/04/2020	Lloyds Bank	Vehicle Road tax
0.50	0.08	0.42	FSP	15/04/2020	Konica Minolta Business	Photocopier Printing
£6015.28	£242.90	£5772.38				