#### **Quinton Parish Council**

## **Ordinary Parish Council Meeting**

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2021 Remote meeting 7.00 pm

Present: Cllr Robert Spooner (Chairman)

Cllr Caroline Barton
Cllr Kathy Clarke
Cllr Edward Fitter
Cllr Andy Gibb
Cllr Paul Milliken
Cllr Andy Smith
Cllr Abbie Taylor
Cllr Chris Watson

Mrs M Norman (Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer)

Also present: Cllr Izzi Seccombe and 14 members of the public.

#### 1 Apologies:

There were no apologies for absence.

#### 2 Declaration of interests.

Cllr Clarke declared an interest in respect of planning application 20/03326/OUT(see item 13) and did not take part in the discussion or vote.

## 3 Questions from the public:

A member of the public asked whether further CCTV cameras could be sited at the approaches to the village as there had been a number of vehicle break ins and burglaries. Cllr Watson offered to contact Stratford District Council as their resources may enable them to provide a mobile CCTV unit. They also have the requisite procedures and policies in place. Cllr Watson would report back to the Council with any information available.

Other members of the public spoke in opposition to planning application 20/03326/OUT. All requested the Parish Council to object to the application. Among the many reasons for objecting were the loss of ancient ridge and furrow land; the inappropriateness of building in an area of outstanding natural beauty; the inadequate road access to the site which would create a further strain on the village and the unacceptably large number of houses that were already being constructed in the vicinity. Cllr Seccombe said that she would be lodging an objection on behalf of Warwickshire County Council. At the request of a member of the public, she would also ask that an archaeological survey be undertaken.

The Chairman varied the order of the agenda in order to discuss item 13:

Planning application 20/03326/OUT Land off Taylor's Lane, Upper Quinton: After discussion, it was unanimously resolved to object to this application.

### 4 Minutes of the previous meeting:

The minutes of the meeting if the 24<sup>th</sup> November 2020 were agreed as an accurate record. These would be signed by the Chairman at a later date.

### 5 **Precept:**

It was agreed to request the sum of £30,738 as precept from Stratford District Council.

### 6 Replacement camera:

It was resolved to purchase a new PTZ camera to replace camera 2 at the village hall at a cost of £960 including VAT.

# 7 District and County Councillors' reports:

Cllr Fitter said that he would be objecting to planning application 20/03326/OUT in his capacity as a District Councillor statutory consultee. He confirmed that St. Modwen's had withdrawn the Meon Vale woodland site of Rural 4 following the Site Allocations Plan consultation period that had recently ended. He thanked the campaign group and all those residents who had opposed the proposal. Cllr Fitter was now working on Council policy to ensure that climate emergency is properly integrated. The improvements to the Campden Road are scheduled to start in March and are expected to last until December. The green bin opt in service is now open. Anyone wishing to opt into the service should visit <a href="https://www.stratford.gov.uk/gardenwaste">www.stratford.gov.uk/gardenwaste</a> to register.

Cllr Seccombe welcomed the improvements to the Campden Road which she believed would help slow down the traffic. She also advised the Council about the vaccination centres now open in the area, namely Coventry, Warwick and Stratford Hospitals as well as Hastings House, Wellesbourne and Studley. There is also a mobile vaccination service for the housebound.

### 8 Chairman's report:

The Chairman said that the Pavilion was making good progress. A number of donations of equipment and money had been received. Volunteers had also relaid the floor and painted the interior. A trust had now been created known as Meon Community CIO. The Chairman asked again for volunteers for the Speedwatch programme. There were errors in the signage with regards to the 30 mph limit, which have now been remedied. The signs between Upper and Lower Quinton are in the same position as before and have not been moved.

The Council has sent off its response to the Site Allocations Plan consultation and has identified site 8 as a possible reserve site. The issue of the traffic mirror would be deferred till a later meeting.

## 9 **Neighbourhood Plan:**

Cllr Milliken said that the Steering Group was now analysing the comments made by Stratford District Council on the draft plan they had submitted. The aim was to finish the redraft by the end of January and then send this final version off to Stratford District Council. Assuming that SDC are satisfied with the draft, the plan will then go out for a six week consultation period.

#### 10 Duck Pond:

Cllr Smith said that it would be difficult to carry out the necessary repairs to the island without closing the road. He now intended to wait until later in the year when the water level in the pond

had dropped to see if the repairs could be effected another way. He also advised the Council that two wooden posts beside the pond were rotten and needed to be replaced.

### 11 Playground:

Cllr Barton said that the playground works were still not complete. The problem of tension in the Zip wire had still not be fixed but she was hopeful that it could be remedied soon. Wicksteed would be returning to finish painting the multi play and would examine the Zip wire again.

## 12 Sensory garden and youth council:

Cllr Taylor asked for this item to be deferred to a later meeting pending further information.

## 13 Planning applications:

Planning application 20/03326/OUT Land off Taylor's Lane had been received after the posting of the agenda and was discussed earlier in the meeting.

The result of the following planning application was noted:

i) 20/02720/FUL Land north of Twiga House, Campden Road: proposed 2 no. dwellings. Application withdrawn.

## 14 To receive receipts and payments records for the quarter:

The Council received the receipts and payments records previously circulated and agreed them as an accurate record.

### 15 To receive any correspondence:

There was no correspondence to be noted.

### 16 Councillors' reports and items for future agenda.

There had been complaints about dog fouling. Cllr Fitter would get in touch with the dog warden again. Renovation of bench on village green; restoration of planters; possible formation of a residents' group for the Queen's Jubilee. Possible creation of a Neighbourhood Watch group.

### 17 Accounts for payment and finance matters:

The following payments were noted and approved:

- i) Information Commis2sioner (Data Protection) £35.00
- ii) BT (broadband) £56.99
- iii) WALC (councillor course) £60.00
- iv) Thomas Fox (grass cutting) £2,404.12
- v) Thomas Fox (maintenance) ££504.00
- vi) Clerk's salary £\*\*
- vii) HMRC (income tax) £\*\*

The meeting ended at 8.30 pm.

Dates of future meetings: The next meeting would take place on the 9<sup>th</sup> March 2021 at 7.00 pm.



