

COVENEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council to be held on Monday 9 September 2019 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall, Coveney

Present: Mrs C Badcock, Mr A Bensted, Mrs N Laredo, Mr B Matthews (Chairman), Mr C Senior, Mr A Stygal

Also Present: 2 members of the public, Cllr L Dupré, Cllr A Bailey and Mrs S Thompson (Clerk)

19/118 Apologies for absence

All present

19/119 Members' declaration of interest for items on the agenda

None made

19/120 To Approve the Minutes of the Previous Meetings – 19 August 2019

It was agreed to add the email from BM as an addendum to the minutes

19/121 Public Question Time

None present.

19/122 District and County Councillors'

Reports

Cllr Anna Bailey reported that ECDC has completed the purchase of the old MOD site in Ely and work has started on refurbishment of the properties. A polling station review is taking place, but does not involve Coveney. Planning on improvements on the A142/Lancaster Way roundabouts is progressing.

Cllr Dupré – report has been circulated. She responded to a question about broadband improvements as problems with broadband speeds continue in both Coveney and Wardy Hill.

19/123 Allotments

Mr Ingham is still waiting to hear about the water supply.

Two interested members of the public came before the meeting. They were more interested in a community orchard.

A post and rail fence would cost in the region of £1,500. An alternative would be hedging quicks which cost approximately £150.

There will be some maintenance of the site required and this may involve some cost to the parish council.

Need the prospective holders to come to the next meeting. Will try to get something in the parish magazine and on Facebook. The Working Party (Chris Senior, Caroline Badcock, Vernon Ingham) will meet to progress the next steps.

19/124 Planning

- i) To consider the following new applications for comment:-
19/00881/OUT – Land to the East of Witcham Bridge Farm, Witcham Bridge Drive, Wardy Hill – Proposed 1 no 5 bedroom dwelling with associated garage – It was agreed to make the following comments:- it is outside the development envelope; it is a greenfield site separate from the settlement of Wardy Hill and not in a sustainable part of the village; and, would have a detrimental effect on the nature site opposite

19/01150/FUL – Land South of Wayhead Farm, Old Lynn Drive, Coveney – Construction of detached 2 storey dwelling with garage, parking, access to the highway and associated works – it was agreed to comment as follows:- it is outside the development envelope and would be opening up a greenfield site.

- ii) To report approval of the following application:-
19/00711/FUL – Site East of 9 Main Street, Wardy Hill – Construction of a three bedroom, two storey detached dwelling, remodeled access and associated works - noted
- iii) To report the following Tree Preservation Order and to consider any comment:-
E/07/19 Land North of 9 The Green and East of 1 Jerusalem Drove, Wardy Hill - noted

19/125 Village Fireworks

It is proposed to hold the fireworks on 1 November. Mr Matthews will be meeting with the Village Hall to firm up decisions. It was agreed that the Parish Council will fund the fireworks. Liaison with the Village Hall on the organization will continue.

19/126 Local Transport Plan Consultation

It was agreed to respond with the poor condition of the roads and the complete lack of public transport in the parish.

19/127 Playground Maintenance

Mr V Ingham has been obtaining quotes for the repairs required. One provider approached is unable to provide play grade bark.

19/128 Lychgate renovation

The renovation work on the lychgate/war memorial has been completed and looks very good. Mr Bourne will be thanked. Clerk will ask Fenscene to include a report.

19/129 Storage of Parish Council equipment

The speed indicator sign needs to be stored from time to time and the battery needs to be recharged. Currently it is looked after by Mr Hammond. A more sustainable solution needs to be found. The Village Hall will be approached to see if such storage can be arranged.

19/130 Finance

Monthly income and expenditure reports, financial reconciliation and budgetary control reports for the year to date were received.

The following cheques were approved for signature.

Payee	Detail	Chq No	Amount
Mr J Skipper	Grasscutting	1041	117.50
Red Shoes Accounting	Payroll Services	1042	43.20
Mrs S Thompson	Clerk's Salary	1043	306.33
Mr T Bourne	Lychgate	1044	5,880.89
			6,347.92

19/132 Date and Time of Next Meeting

Monday 30 September, Coveney Village Hall (short meeting for fireworks and allotments)
Monday 14 October 2019, Coveney Village Hall

Meeting closed at 21.45