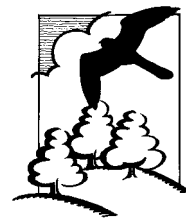


HAWKHURST PARISH COUNCIL
FACILITIES and SERVICES COMMITTEE



Zoom meeting

MONDAY 26th October 2020

MINUTES

Committee Members:

Present: Cllr B Fitzpatrick, (Chairman) Cllr P Whittle, Cllr Hunt, Cllr Cory, Cllr Jones, Cllr Appelbe

1. **ADJOURNMENT FOR PUBLIC SPEAKING** - NA
2. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** NA
3. **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS:** *To receive notice of personal interests, whether of a prejudicial nature or otherwise, in respect of items on this agenda, in accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct.* - NA
4. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING** – Cllr Whittle proposed and Cllr Fitzpatrick seconded – agreed unanimously
5. **UPDATE ON ALLOTMENTS**
 - Skip – The Clerk explained that three quotes had been obtained and £200 for a 6-yard skip was lowest – ordered for Ockley Friday 30th October take away / exchange on Monday 2nd October 2020 – agreed up to £500
 - Tree work – Seeking extra quotes to cutback low, over hanging trees branches at back of 3 or 4 plots. Aim for work in Late November 2020 – agreed to delegate to Clerk in Consultation with Committee Chairman up to £600.
 - Note some branches from KGV are overhanging neighbouring properties / telephone wires etc. propose to trim those as well. Agreed appoint lowest quote delegate to Clerk in consultation with Committee Chairman.
6. **Cemetery update** – The Clerk is meeting Cllr Hunt and Cllr Green tomorrow morning to agree programme of tidying up. (see below agreed November 2020 programme)
 - Plant hedging on roadside hedge
 - Remove spare tree branches to edges of cemetery to create “beetle beds” and tidy up flat area where trees were removed
 - Grass seed flat area - new
 - Plant hawthorn hedge row along ridge - new
 - Tidy up path at entrance to woodland area and gravel - new
 - Remove broken chestnut fencing posts from hedge rows
 - Top up graves with top soil where required – 5 or 6 in main cemetery - new

7. FAS ACTION PLAN

Cllr Cory updated the group on a meeting with KMSCP and Community Safety at the Moor last week. We looked at several sites and they propose to use a section of the Moor for a Speed Camera Van. We need to create a “layby” and need to clarify

- Council agreement
- KMSCP will forward specification
- Planning permission – in conservation area
- KCC permission as next to a road
- Funding – Use of Fowlers Car Park funding as this will not take place this year.
- Tender and build

KMSCP will use 3 hours per month for one year and review

Note the Community Speed Watch cannot work along road once KMSCP are working
The debate focused on the fact that out of the four main roads in and out of the village (5 if you include Hastings Road) this is possibly the least-worse road for speeding. Could we consider a location on one of the other roads?

Cllr Cory explained this had already been discussed with KMSCP

Agreed to recommend to Council for debate and potentially reallocate the Fowlers Car Park funding for 2020/21 to the project

Clerk to add repair of Bus Shelter – 2 x Cranbrook Rd and one at the Moor to FAS action plan – Will require budget say £1,000 as repairs are ongoing.

Clerk to add Copt Hall minor repairs to FAS action plan – raised by Cllr Green in email

8. QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM COUNCILLORS:

- Cllr Cory asked for an update on the change of road signs for “side roads” plus the issue of “not suitable for HGV” as very few if any passing places – Clerk to chase
- Also need to chase up quote for CCTV cameras – Clerk to chase
- Cllr Whittle check broken bollard on Moor
- Cllr Jones asked several points;
 1. Can the triangle of grass on Talbot road be cut – Checked 27.10.20 and has been recently done
 2. Road drains / gullies need clearing out Highgate Hill / the Moor – requested 27.10.20
 3. A resident requested that Ockley Allotments be turned into a car park. The Committee noted that allotments are a legal requirement for a Parish Council to provide and we have a waiting list.

Cllr Appelbe proposed and Cllr Cory seconded that we retain Ockley Allotments as allotments – agreed unanimously, with vigour.

- Cllr Jones to chase up location of the KGV gates

9. CLOSURE: 8:42pm

Chairman.....

Date.....