



**The Minutes of Cookhill Parish Council Meeting
Held on Tuesday 10th March 2020 at 7.30pm
Cookhill Village Hall.**

Present: Cllr R. Pinfield (Chairman), Cllr M. Churchill, Cllr C. Hamilton, Cllr V. Gupta & Cllr P. Davis.

In attendance: Clerk – Kate Brazier
County Cllr Anthony Hopkins
District Cllr Audrey Steel
District Cllr David Wilkinson

Mr T. Mitchell – Parish Paths Warden

The Chairman asked the members of the public if there were any items that they were concerned with on the agenda and if they wished to comment before the meeting officially opened. He asked if anyone wished to record the meeting and to make it known to the clerk if they were intending to do so.

20.024. Apologies received and accepted from: Cllr Sumner & Cllr Bennett

20.025. Declarations of interest

- a) Register of Interests. Councillors were reminded of the need to update their Register of Interests.
- b) Disclosable Pecuniary Interests
- c) Other Disclosable Interests
- d) Written requests for the Council to grant dispensation (S33 of the Localism Act 2011)

20.026. Minutes: The Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council, held on **Tuesday 11th February 2020**, were approved as a correct record by the Council, and signed by the Chairman. Proposed by Cllr Hamilton and seconded by Cllr Churchill.

20.027. Police and Neighbourhood Watch Reports

- **Police Report** –
 - Nevill Arms – Theft from a motor vehicle. Catalytic converter taken whilst owners in public house.
 - Edgioake Lane – Theft from a motor vehicle. No damage caused, vehicle searched and ipod taken.
- **Neighbourhood Watch** – No update
- **Community Speed Watch** – Awaiting suitable weather.

20.028. Planning Matters:- members of the public were invited to speak on the applications notified to the Parish Council.

i) **The following applications were considered for comment;**

a) **W/19/02604/FUL Park House Farm, Salt Way, New End, Astwood Bank, B96 6NF**

Proposal: Demolition of two barns and erection of two dwellings (2nd application following approval of W/19/01417/GPDQ)

Recommendation: The Parish Council recommended APPROVAL.

b) **W/20/00127/LB The Turret House, Evesham Road, Cookhill, B49 5LJ**

Proposal: Replacement of four windows to match existing. Replacement of front door, to match existing.

Consultation ended 3rd March 2020: The Parish Council recommended APPROVAL.

c) **W/20/00223/TDC5 Land to be known as 47 The Ridgeway, New End, Astwood Bank**

Proposal: Application for technical details (part 2) following approval of Permission in Principle ref 18/02276/PIP for a rural exception development consisting of the erection of 3 no. discount market self-build dwellings (resubmission of application 19/01926/TDS5)

Consultation ended 25th February 2020: The Parish Council recommended REFUSAL.

d) **W/20/00235/FUL Land to be known as 47 The Ridgeway, New End, Astwood Bank**

Proposal: Erection of 3 no. dwellings

Consultation ended 4th March 2020: The Parish Council recommended REFUSAL.

e) **W/20/00241/HP 5 Oak Tree Lane, Cookhill, B49 5LH**

Proposal: Conversion of garage into living accommodation with rear extension; construction of new double garage

Consultation ended 4th March 2020: The Parish Council recommended APPROVAL.

ii) **Pending application updates:**

a) **W/19/01712/FUL Land rear of 40 Wood Lane, New End, Astwood Bank**

Proposal: Erection of 2 affordable bungalows

Update: Application approved by the Planning Committee on 5th March 2020.

- b) **W/19/01752/HP & W/19/01753/LB Knowle Barn, Evesham Road, Cookhill, B49 5LJ**
Proposal: Proposed external improvements and internal alterations to existing barn conversion, to improve the flow of the living space and the aesthetics of the external building & Listed Building Consent.
Amendments – Amended red line plan
- iii) **Reports from Wychavon Planning:**
- a) **W/19/0001/HP 32 Lychgate House, 3 Church Drive, Cookhill, B49 5JH**
Proposal: Proposed single storey rear extension
Decision: APPROVED 19/02/2020
- b) **W/19/02707/HP The Willows. The Ridgeway, New End, Astwood Bank, B96 6LT**
Proposal: Proposed rear and front single storey extensions. Conversion of existing garage into a bedroom.
New drop curb **Decision:** APPROVED 27/02/2020
- c) **W/20/00155/HP 60 Evesham Road, Cookhill, B49 5LL**
Proposal: Single storey extension for bedroom and shower room.
Decision: APPROVED 6/03/2020
- d) **W/19/02728/CU 14 Wood Lane, Astwood Bank, B96 6NW**
Proposal: Change of use of land for equestrian purposes and formation of a menage
Decision: APPROVED 09/03/2020
- iv) **Planning enforcement matters from Wychavon Planning:**

20.029. Progress Reports

a) County Cllr Anthony Hopkins:

- *Edgioake Lane* – The flooding at the bottom of Edgioake Lane has now been rectified. Ditches further up are still on the list for Highways.
- *Traffic safety* – Highways are currently undertaking tests on the Edgioake / Salt Way junction to try to limit the collisions occurring here.
- *Saltway* – The missing signage is still be chased with the Highways Department.
- *Signage on Evesham Road / Ridgeway* – Signage installed in the incorrect place. Wychavon to rectify.

b) District Councillor Steel:

- *Wychavon Council Tax* – No rise for 2020-21
- *Wychavon Chief Executive* – Interviews continue to replace Jack Hegarty.

c) District Councillor David Wilkinson: No updates

d) Chairman Cllr Pinfield: *New Defibrillator* – The replacement cabinet at the Nevill Arms has been installed.

e) The Clerk provided an update on the following: *Inkberrow Charitable Trust* – Ongoing

f) Parish Paths Warden:

- *Footpath signs* – Reported a post down from the footpath leading from Edgioake Lane to the back of Botany Bay.
- *Speeding cars* – Cars reported as speeding by the public footpath on Cladswell Hall Farm.

g) *Cookhill Village Hall: VE Day Celebrations* – The Village Hall intend to hold an event to celebrate VE Day on Friday 8th May.

h) *Lengthsman Scheme:* Several blocked drains and headwalls reported.

i) *Playing Fields:* Grass-cutting to commence again and mole situation monitored.

j) *Affordable Housing – Ridgeway Meadows:* No update

k) *Cookhill Allotments:* There are currently still 3 plots available.

20.030. **New Homes Bonus** – The Parish Council discussed submitting an application for funding towards the replacement bus shelter from the available New Homes Bonus funds of £6,262, allocated for Cookhill. A public consultation has been published on the Parish Noticeboards, on the Parish Council website and is scheduled for the next What's On. Parishioners have been asked to submit ideas for the rest of the funds.

20.031. Finance

- a) The monthly statement and bank reconciliation for February 2020 showing the available funds, the income and expenditure comparison to the budget was approved.
Cheques for payment were presented, approved and authorised for payment.
- b) *Financial Audit 2019/2020* – The Parish Council agreed to appoint Diane Malley for the Internal Audit.
- c) *Clerk's Salary* – The Council approved that the clerk's salary and spinal column point (SCP) be increased in line with the recommendation of the SLCC from 1st April 2020.

20.032. To receive information and items for next agenda

Councillors are requested to use this as an opportunity to report minor matters of information not included elsewhere on the Agenda and to raise items for future agendas. Councillors are respectfully reminded that this is not a time for debate or decision-making.

20.033. To confirm the date of the next Parish Council meeting

- a. **Annual Parish Meeting** – Tuesday 14th April 2020 at **7.00pm**
- b. **Parish Council Meeting** – Tuesday 14th April 2020 at **7.30pm**

This meeting closed at 21:00

Signed Chairman

Dated