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Summary from the Cookhill Parish Council Meeting and the Annual Parish Meeting held remotely on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2021

## PARISH COUNCIL UPDATES:

### Update on Parish Council Face to Face Meetings

It has been confirmed that the legislation allowing Parish Council meetings to take place remotely will end on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> May. Although a group of local authorities have launched a legal challenge to the Government's decision the Parish Council agreed that the next Parish Council Meeting, which will be the **AGM**, will move from Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> May to **Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2021** to enable the meeting to take place legally via Zoom. When face to face meetings return a thorough risk assessment will be undertaken with thought given to the possibility of hybrid remote/in person meetings.

*Please check the Parish Council website for up to date details as date / time / venue may change from the usual second Tuesday of the month!*

**Litter Picking in Cookhill** – The Parish Council wished to thank the band of volunteers, led by Ms Sue Pryce, for their sterling work collecting litter around Cookhill. Any volunteers wishing to join the team can either contact the Parish Council, who will put them in touch with Ms Pryce, or register individually with the **Adopt a Street** scheme on the Wychavon website to receive equipment and arrange collection.

**Cookhill Village Hall** – As restrictions ease one children's group will be restarting in April, with the Yoga and Pilates groups hoping to restart in May. The Committee have committed to a gradual reopening of the facilities with the risk assessment being updated constantly in line with the changing legislation.

**Cookhill Allotments** – The Allotments are starting to open up more fully, in line with restrictions, with water and the toilet now available to all. These facilities will be made available with the onus on tenants to sanitise after each use.

*There are currently no vacancies please contact the clerk on 07584 687 283 or Mr Claydon, the Allotment Association Chairman, on 01527 894317 to be added to the waiting list.*

**Grants** – The Parish Council approved a grant be awarded to St. Paul's Church to assist with the maintenance of the churchyard.

*Please contact the Parish Council if you would like to discuss a grant request.*

## Cookhill Parish Councillors

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**Public Rights of Way (PROWS)** – Walkers are reminded to keep to public rights of way (PROWS) when making the most of walks in and around Cookhill. Please remember you are trespassing if you leave the footpath and go onto private land. Dogs must always be kept under control near livestock.

**Access to Footpaths** – The new disabled access gate to the footpath on the Ridgeway has now been installed. The Parish Council discussed a second gate leading down to Botany Bay giving a complete route through to Edgioake Lane.

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**Planning:** *the Parish Council has asked Wychavon District Council (WDC) to send notification to us of all planning applications that fall within the parish boundary, these are then discussed at a parish council meeting and the ensuing comments are submitted to WDC. All these applications and comments can be seen online via [www.wychavon.gov.uk](http://www.wychavon.gov.uk)*

**The following applications were considered for comment:**

**W/21/00177/HP Dogbut Farm, Dogbut Lane, Astwood Bank, B96 6LD**

**Proposal:** Proposed two storey side extension and demolition of barn

**Consultation ended 25<sup>th</sup> March, the PC recommended APPROVAL.**

**W/21/00204/AGR Priory Lodge, Worcester Road, Knowle Fields, Cookhill**

**Proposal:** Application for a proposed agricultural building to store vehicles, machinery & haylage. **Consultation ended 25<sup>th</sup> March, the PC recommended APPROVAL.**

**Decision:** Prior approval not required, approved

**Reports from Wychavon Planning:**

**W/21/00232/HP Field House, Church Lane, Cookhill, B49 5JS**

**Proposal:** Removal of boundary hedge and erection of 2m high reclaimed brick wall, including replacement planting. Erection of gates to entrance to front driveway.

**Decision:** Approved

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The next meeting will be the  
**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** of **COOKHILL PARISH COUNCIL**  
and will be held remotely on **THURSDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2021 at 7.30pm**  
**PLEASE CONTACT THE CLERK FOR THE LINK IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO JOIN.**

*Read the Agendas, Minutes & Parish News at [www.cookhillparishcouncil.com](http://www.cookhillparishcouncil.com)*

**Enjoy the countryside safely!**

It has been lovely to see so many people out and about enjoying our beautiful walks and public rights of way (PROWS). Unfortunately, the Parish Council have been made aware that some walkers have been straying from the official public footpaths and some have been allowing dogs to roam freely on private land.

Please remember to keep to the official line for the PROW as straying from the path could be classed as trespassing, or could lead to your dog worrying livestock.

**To find out more please visit the Parish Council website  
[www.cookhillparishcouncil.com](http://www.cookhillparishcouncil.com) to learn more about the Countryside Code.**