

**ABBOTS BROMLEY PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting

Held on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2021 at 7.00 pm

Meeting held virtually via Microsoft Teams, Abbots Bromley, pursuant to notice having been given. Due to technical issues with Teams the 6<sup>th</sup> January meeting was re-scheduled for 13<sup>th</sup> January 2021

**Present:** Cllrs Dr C Whorwood (Chair), Mr R Beaumont, Mrs C Brown, Mr P Freeman, Mr R Love, Mr E Rodway-Bowden,

**In attendance:** Mrs S Meads (Clerk),

**Members of the Public Attending:** 2

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1. **Apologies for absence**  
Cllrs K Baker & Mrs K Haywood

2. **Public Session**

As there was to be a co-option of a new councillor at the meeting Mrs Sian Morgan introduced herself as one of the candidates, having already submitted an application of interest to the council. Mr Ray Watson had already spoken at the November meeting and provided his background and interest in writing prior to that meeting.

Mrs Morgan said that she had been in the village now for three years and had settled in well. During lockdown she had met more people and wanted to become more involved in the village. She had spoken to previous councillors and the borough councillor regarding the Neighbourhood Plan so was aware of the process. Cllr R Love asked Mrs Morgan where she thought things in the village could be improved. Mrs Morgan said that she would like to see improvement of the fabric of the village, so ensuring utilisation of green space, care of and maintenance of building and improvements in environment such as wildflower planting. She stated that there was lots of funding available for such projects.

3. **Co-option of New Councillor**

In order for members to discuss the candidates, both left the virtual meeting. Councillors discussed at length and then took a vote.

**RESOLVED** : that Mrs Sian Morgan be co-opted as a new parish councillor.

Mr Watson was invited to the meeting and informed that he has not been successful on this occasion. Councillors asked if he would be interested in being involved in the village in other ways such as Neighbourhood Plan or EV Charging points and Mr Watson confirmed that he would be.

Mrs Morgan was invited to join the meeting again and the result of the vote was announced and Mrs Morgan confirmed her acceptance of office.

#### 4. Declarations of Interest

None

#### 5. Planning

Lane at Moors Farm, Radmore Lane, Abbots Bromley WS15 3AN	Prior approval to the conversion of agricultural building to form a dwelling  Concern over incorrect building being converted, not in keeping with the area.
adj Thyme House, Lichfield Road, Abbots Bromley WS15 3DL	App under Section 73 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 for the erection of 5 dwellings and associated garaging including widening of existing access and provision of footpath and installation of pumping station without complying with conditions 2,3, 7, 13 16, 20, 21 of planning permission P/2018/00362 relating to amendments to the approved plans by way of changes to foul drainage design, highways requirements, change of roof tile raising of northern boundary between plot 1 and Thyme House position change to southern boundary fence line.
	PC objects to any changes to the condition 7. The footpath should continue to the top of the development as agreed by the developer at the planning committee hearing.
Coleshill Lodge, Lichfield Road, Abbots Bromley Staffordshire, WS15 3DN	Erection of a single storey front and side extension and replacement of existing bay windows on front elevation at ground and first level with full length glazing (amended plans and description)  The proposed amendments do nothing to overcome the Parish Council's objection to this application. The scale of the proposed building is totally out of keeping with the

	surrounding properties on this important gateway to the village.
Hillswood, Hobb Lane, Marchington Woodlands ST14 8RG	Erection of a single storey extension on east elevation and 2 metre high brick wall and garden gate  No Objections
3 Ivy Close, Abbots Bromley, Staffordshire, WS15 3FB	Erection of a ground floor side extension and conversion of existing garage to sitting room  The Parish Council raised concerns over the application due to impact on available parking. Removal of a garage and the extension will reduce parking spaces which may in turn increase parking on the main road.
Royal Oak Inn, Bagot Street, Abbots Bromley, Staffordshire, WS15 3DB	Listed Building Consent for the Installation of 4 non-illuminated signboards, 1 illuminated sign boards and 1 illuminated projecting sign  The Parish council objects to this application. The signs are not in keeping with a conservation area or a listed building. The number of signs is also excessive for the business.
Royal Oak Inn, Bagot Street, Abbots Bromley, Staffordshire, WS15 3DB	Building Consent for the Installation of 4 non-illuminated signboards, 1 illuminated sign boards and 1 illuminated projecting sign
	Parish Council response as above.

## 5. Financial Matters

### A Record of payments made after discussion with Chairman or Vice Chairman

### B Record of payments for which authorisation will be sought at meeting

<i>Vch/Chq</i>	<i>Payee</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>Details</i>
136/1967	S Meads		December Salary
137/1968	SCC Pensions	576.69	Pension contribution for
138/1969	S Meads		Dec
139/1970	Riverside Printers	226.81	Expenses

**B Record of payments for which authorisation will be sought at meeting**

<i>Vch/Chq</i>	<i>Payee</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>Details</i>
140/1971	William Haycock	11.80	Printing of Bulletin
141/1972	ABPCC	125.00	Reissue of cheque re Maintenance of Church Clock
		150.00	Room hire for Neighbourhood Development
		50.00	
		<b>1140.30</b>	

**C Record of payments received**

<i>Date</i>	<i>Payee</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>Details</i>
15/12/20	Ms G Vincent	125.00	Allotment rent

**RESOLVED:** that the Clerk makes the above payments

**Budget 2020/21**

The Clerk presented the budget plan for 2021/22 (Appendix 1). The Clerk explained that the precept had been increased by £1,632 in order to cover a drop in the tax base and also potential increase in spending due to EV Charging Points project. The increase would lead to a rise of £2.22 per household.

The Clerk highlighted that at the end of the financial year 2020/21 there would be an unspent balance of £12,929.81. £4,000 of this should be ear marked for playgrounds repairs and EV Charging points. If war memorial repairs are not completed in this financial year then £3000 should also be ear marked for these be completed in 2021/22.

**RESOLVED :** To accept the proposed precept and budget for 2021/22. Proposed Cllr Dr Whorwood, seconded Cllr P Freeman. All members in favour. (Appendix 1)

**6. Date, time and place of future meetings**

January Parish Council Meeting, 7.00pm Wed 27<sup>th</sup> January 2021 – virtual

There being no other business the chairman declared the meeting closed.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Date 27<sup>th</sup> January 2021