

Ruspidge & Soudley Parish Council

MINUTES of the MEETING **held remotely on the 14th July, 2020**

(These minutes remain in draft form until approved at the next meeting of the Council)

Parish Councillors Present:

B. Acland, Chairman
Cllrs. Mrs. B. Wood, Ms. H. Medcraft,
T. Matthews, C. Richardson, N. Snell.

County Councillor Present:

R. Boyles.

District Councillor Present:

Ms. N. Packer & R. Boyles.

The Clerk - Mrs. Helen Hook.

Apologies:

B. O'Neill (report forwarded)

Public:

No members of the public were present.

Standing Declarations of Interest

- (a) Ruspidge Memorial Hall - Insignificant personal interest by Cllrs. Matthews & Snell.
- (b) Soudley Village Hall – Insignificant personal interest by Cllr. Wood.

RUSPIDGE WELFARE TRUST

Members' were mindful that these items were considered and determined as trustees to the RWT.

1. There were no matters arising from the minutes.
2. Members were updated on the 'use at own risk' signs.

9. **MINUTES** - the minutes of the council meeting held on the 9th June, 2020 were **ACCEPTED** as a true record of the meeting and will be signed by the Chairman at the next full council meeting.

9.1 There were no matters arising from the minutes.

9.2 **DISTRICT COUNCILLOR REPORT (N/P)**

- Complaint re: sheep grazing in Soudley village – NP investigating
 - Street Warden to check pavements
- Impact of COVID19 on council finances:
 - Covering housing for the homeless/rough sleepers
 - Loss of expected savings due to delayed projects
 - Loss of income from car parking charges, planning etc.
 - Collection Fund anticipated reduction from council tax and NNDR due to long term outcome of COVID19. Likely to impact 2021/22 budget
- Investment Strategy – Full Council to vote on 16th July
- Climate Emergency Partnership Development Event – 29th July
- Local Plan Strategy – Full Council to meet in early September
- Council Tax Support Scheme – proposal to reduce support to go to public consultation

(B/O'N)

- Planning applications – He will continue to monitor
- Safety measures in towns to allow for 2 metres social distancing
 - barriers in on-street parking spaces, floor notices, signs on lamp posts

9.3 **COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORT (R/B)**

- Highways Team - Received a prestigious national award from The Chartered Institution of Highways & Transportation for its delivery of highway services
- COVID19 – GCC is now able to publish details of cases confirmed via NHS; PHE and community testing by commercial partners and the military.
- Cycle path proposals for Forest of Dean
- Cycling in Gloucestershire – promoting to encourage people to carry on cycling
- Laptops and tablets for vulnerable children – to support learning from home
- Holiday Hunger Programme – to ensure no young person goes without this summer
- Libraries – phased reopening to enable customers to request books, DVD's etc.
- Silly Squad Summer Reading Challenge – to encourage children to continue reading
- Blakeney to Parkend road closure – No quick fix, landslip needs to be stable for 8 months.

9.4 **PLANNING** – completed schedule is attached as an Appendix to these Minutes.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

9.5 Following report by the Treasurer the council **APPROVED** the accounts presented for payment totalling £20,402.06, this figure being inclusive of confidential expenditure.

9.6 **Grants** – The Council **RESOLVED** in accordance with its powers under Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972 to approve the following expenditure.

- a) Soudley Football Club/SV Hall – Towards pitch maintenance and marking - £900.
- b) SARA – To help 'plug fundraising gap' restricted due to the pandemic - £250.00.

9.7 **Play Areas Reports** – Councillors will arrange a site visit to determine priority works.

9.8 **CORRESPONDENCE**

All relevant correspondence whether specifically dealt with under agenda items, or not, has been forwarded via email to all Councillors.

9.10 **Next Meeting - There is no August meeting.**

The next meeting of the council is scheduled to be held in **Soudley Hall, on Tuesday, 8th September, 2020.** at 7.00pm
The agenda deadline is **Monday, 1st September, 2020.**

9.11 **Exclusion of the Press and the Public** - the council **RESOLVED** that for any remaining business of a confidential nature the press and the public should be excluded from the meeting in accordance with Standing Order 10.xi (2020).

9.12 The meeting closed at 7.30 p.m.

Signed: Chair. Dated:

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Planning Schedule for the July, 2020 meeting

<u>Planning Reference</u> <u>Site Address & Detail</u>	<u>Parish</u> <u>Comment</u>
P0818/20/PQ3PA St Whites Farm, St Whites Road, Cinderford. Prior notification for the conversion of two barns into two dwellings and associated building operations.	No obj
P0827/20/FUL Former St Whites Primary School, St Whites Road, Cinderford. Variation of condition 02 (approved plans), 08 (visibility distance) and discharge of conditions 03 (roofing and external facing materials), 05 (full surface water drainage scheme), 15 (bio diversity enhancement) and 19 (first floor window) of planning permission P1480/19/FUL.	Obs. & No obj
P0835/20/FUL 104A Ruspidge Road, Ruspidge, Cinderford, Gloucestershire. Demolition of existing single storey extension and replacement with two storey and single storey extension.	No obj
P0881/20/FUL Fairview, Lower Road, Soudley, Cinderford. Proposed single storey extension to replace existing conservatory.	No obj

Decisions notified by the Planning Authority

<u>Planning Reference</u> <u>Site Address & Detail</u>	<u>Parish</u> <u>Comment</u>	<u>District</u> <u>Decision</u>
P0549/20/FUL 52 Railway Road, Ruspidge, Cinderford. Erection of a single storey extension to garage.	No obj.	CONSENT
P0592/20/FUL Plots 25 26 27 & 28, Edmunds Way, St Whites Road, Cinderford. Variation of conditions 01 (approved plans) 04 (landscaping and boundary treatments), 07 (car parking) and 10 (play area boundary) of planning permission P0543/18/FUL to improve layout and residential amenity.	No obj.	CONSENT

Signed: Dated: