# ISLIP PARISH COUNCIL

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Draft minutes of the virtual Zoom meeting of Islip Parish Council held on Tuesday 16th June 2020 at 7.15pm

**Present** Cllrs E Taylor, B Lymn, R Tarling-Toley, P Fryatt, S Harris, L Duval, R Maxwell, R Horrell ENDCllr V Carter NCC/ENCllr W Brackenbury Clerk- C.Tilley

Visitors- Dez Tanser (East Northants Council) and Philippa McKenna (Midlands Rural-Independent Survey organisation appointed by ENC)

- 20/23 Public Participation- Dez Tanser addressed the council regarding a Housing Needs Survey to be carried out over next couple of years. Islip came up as a Priority as a survey has not been done and it is a duty that local authorities have. Seeking assistance with help in publicising / promoting the survey to residents in the parish. Philippa explained about the survey all posted out, residents' have a month to respond. Results collated/analysed- report produced. This may identify varied needs- types of housing/social/market/shared ownership. Parish Council can add questions as well. Philippa sees it as helping Parish Councils budget forwards as will identify residents needs as well as Housing, and also may help PC protect their neighbourhood from large scale development (15 or more properties). ENC will look at Rural exception sites.
- 20/24 Apologies for absence- none received
- 20/25 To receive declarations of Members' Interest on the Agenda- none
- 20/26 Minutes of the last virtual meeting May 19<sup>th</sup> 2020- resolved to approve, to be signed when possible
- 20/27 Planning –

**18/00817/OUT** Cowthick Plantation- development of Land at Stanion. Going to Development Committee at Corby Borough Council 23<sup>rd</sup> June. Council already sent an objection letter in and are happy to allow Cllr Brackenbury to represent local parishes on the night

19/01957/FUL 4 The Green- to note planning permission granted

20/28 **Internal Control**-Cllr Taylor performed this virtually, noting that documents will need signing at some point. Cllr Lymn volunteered for next. Need to ensure that once a quarter this is carried out by a councillor that is neither the Chairman or a signatory.

#### 20/29 Finance

- 1. Council received and approved the Financial Report showing a balance of £41,949.70, bank reconciliations & Payments Due for June 2020
- 2. Council received and discussed Budget monitoring statement- all approved it- all on target
- 20/30 **Highways** noted that the footpath from Lowick Road down to Colpmans Farm is overgrown. Fallen Footpath sign has already reported by resident- but Clerk to report undergrowth needs cutting back.
- 20/31 **Recreation Ground-** playground still closed under government guidance
- 20/32 **Sports Field-** Cllr Maxwell reported that social distancing outdoor football training commencing. Multiple bookings every day of week. Toilets are available in emergency. Hand sanitiser available. At end of sessions coaches wipe down all surfaces if used. No changing rooms open. Sports Committee meeting went well- car park lights will be repaired.

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## 20/33 Community Matters-

- a) To note objection to dog bin siting along Mill Road- Cllr Duval will contact concerned resident to discuss this and try to determine a suitable location
- b) To note 'Teddy Bears Picnic' idea in replacement of fete- this was successful 22 entries- all got a token prize on the day and it was well received.
- c) Discussed VAS quotes. Two companies look promising. Clerk to firm up prices with these two for two Solar powered static signs. Councillors to look at suggested positions and inform clerk for next meeting.
- d) To finalise wording on Interpretation Boards- decided to stay with current wording. Cllr Horrell felt that links to Washington/Church should be recognised- this could go on additional boards at a later date. Cllr Horrell will meet with Thrapston Heritage at that point

## 20/34 To receive District & County Councillors' Reports – For Information Only

Cllr Brackenbury confirmed she is registered to speak at Cowthick planning committee. ENC have produced packs for shops in High Streets across district with info about opening safely and business recovery packages. First Shadow council and Shadow Executive have met, Task & Finish groups agreed. Information available at <a href="https://www.futurenorthants.org">www.futurenorthants.org</a>

Safer public spaces task force set up to recognise and allocate safer walking/cycling routes to avoid need for public transport. Comments can be made <a href="https://saferstreetsnorthamptonshire.commonplace.is/">https://saferstreetsnorthamptonshire.commonplace.is/</a>

Cllr Carter was one of the Town councillors delivering ENC packs to businesses- few more shops opened on Monday with reduced hours. Loads of screens up in business. Going to do a walkabout on Thursday to see how they are coping. Public toilets are being kept open in Thrapston – please let Town Council know if residents note any problems.

### 20/35 To receive the Clerk's Update

NCALC update circulated- note the new Code of Conduct consultations <a href="https://www.local.gov.uk/local-government-association-model-member-code-conduct">https://www.local.gov.uk/local-gov.uk/loca

Free online Covid-19 training with regards to reopening Sports Pavillion-23<sup>rd</sup> June 11am

Bowls Club- repairing grounds after drainage works

Grant available for Litter Picking- £75 from David Laing Litter Heroes – Clerk to apply for this and they will organise for one in September. Cllr Tarling-Toley will contact ENC for supplies.

### 20/36 To receive the round the table comments –

Cllr Tarling-Toley spoke about erecting a further Notice board near her house to promote events etc. She will get a quote for one to bring to next meeting

Traffic lights still out of sync-reported 8th June-Cllr Brackenbury will chase tomorrow

Cllr Duval- mentioned that the sailing club are carrying out works- fences have been put up which Good weather brought out many visitors who were not socially distancing and leaving litter.

Cllr Maxwell- wondered if there are any housing allocations on the Rural North housing plan- Clerk will check.

20/37 Close of meeting- next meeting 21st July