

# WYMESWOLD PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

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## 1. Apologies

- i. None.

## 2. Declarations of interest

- i. None.

## 3. Public Participation

- i. None

## 4. To sign and approve minutes of the meeting held on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2021.

- i. Approved.

## 5. Reports from County and Borough Councillors

- i. Borough Cllr Jenny Boker updated members of the Parish Council on the planning applications in Burton. The draft local plan goes to cabinet on June 9th. The hope is that the numbers allocated will Wymeswold be as low as possible. Cllr Boker also advised that the proposed Rainier development was most likely to go plans committee toward the end of June or even possibly July.
- ii. County Cllr Richard Shepherd updated us on the unsightly concrete blocks that appeared in the village. They belong to the landowner and a request has been made for them to be removed. If they are not removed, then enforcement action will be undertaken by LCC.

## 6. Police report

- i. During the month of April 2021, Wymeswold had one reported incident of vehicle crime.

## 7. Accounts

- i. To review and sign off expenditure for April 2021.

Date	Payee	Payment Reference	VAT	Total	
30 April 2021	30/04/2021	Clerks Salary	EBP: 701254259	n/a	XXXX
	30/04/2021	Clerks Pension	DD: 2nd of Month	n/a	£32.08
	30/04/2021	Clerks PAYE	EBP: 702790838	n/a	£18.08
	30/04/2021	Louise Turner Expenses	EBP: 702787804	n/a	£28.18
	30/04/2021	Easyspace Domain Renewal	EBP: 742456170	£5.67	£34.04
	30/04/2021	TimeSpace Clock Maintenance	EBP: 742022921	£23.00	£138.00
	30/04/2021	C. Skirrow Mowing	EBP: 702431624	£82.00	£410.00
	30/04/2021	Total Gas + Power April	EBP: 702787108	£2.66	£55.74
	30/04/2021	Anesco 2020 Invoice	EBP: 704667228	£27.31	£163.00
	30/04/2021	Jump Printing Services	EBP: 704747596	n/a	£117.60
	30/04/2021	Mark Munro Gardening	EBP: 707918456	n/a	£220.00
	30/04/2021	WymsWd Parochial Church Council	EBP: 707923276	£30.05	£631.09
				<b>£113.33</b>	<b>£2,772.49</b>

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## 8. Planning Applications and Appeals

i. **Application No:** P/21/0578/2

**Proposal:** Replacement of 2 sets of wooden patio doors to rear of property, with wooden doors of minimal alteration in style (retrospective application)

**Location:** 66 Brook Street, Wymeswold, Loughborough, LE12 6TU.

The above planning application was circulated to members of the Pc on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2021. There were no objections or comments raised.

## 9. Environment and Biodiversity

- i. Cllr Cooke provided an update on the various Environmental projects the PC are involved in. Member of the parish Council were advised of a meeting this week with the Wildlife Trust regarding the recently discovered ancient pond. Wildlife Trust advised that more clearing was needed.
- ii. Cllr Cooke raised the question as to whether we could we look at reducing the mowing in the village? Cllr Mills and Cllr Mckean supported a move to mowing less frequently. Resolved that LT will seek out the contacts for mowing and determine whether we could make changes to the contracts part way through. As it stands, we are halfway through a three-year term. The proposal is that we do not mow certain areas until June.
- iii. Cllr Cooke asked if we could have dedicated are on the PC Facebook site for Wildlife and Biodiversity. Resolved this would be actioned by Clerk LT and that Lorraine Ellison would be asked to send some photographs through for LT to include on the village Facebook page.

## 10. Cemetery

- i. Mapping – Update re Pear technologies provided by Clerk LT. Members of the Parish Council were advised of the recent quote received from Pear Technologies in respect of their services to provide a digitalised version of the current very old and fragile (and only!) Cemetery map. Pear technologies provide services to many local authorities and so are well acquainted with the needs of a Parish Council such as Wymeswold and the financial constraints up on us. The quote is competitive. All members of the Parish Council were in favour of the proposal. Resolved that LT would look at the threshold spend of the PC, to determine if we should seek further quotes before, we proceed. Once clarification achieved, LT to circulate details to members of the PC and a decision will be made.

## 11. Clerk's Report

- i. Upcoming meeting dates... As the legislation that currently permits the PC to meet virtually is coming to an end on 7<sup>th</sup> May, a proposal was put forward to postpone the June meeting until 5<sup>th</sup> July at such time, all Coronavirus restrictions should have been lifted and meeting in person feels safer and more appropriate. Chair of the PC Cllr Mills asked for a show of hands. All in favour and so it was agreed that the meeting would be postponed until Monday 5<sup>th</sup> July.
- ii. Church Floodlighting back payments. We have received a request for payment of the Church Floodlighting bill dating back to 2017. This was due to extenuating circumstances and the incoming finance officer at the Church has promised to keep invoicing up to date in the future. The PC resolved that we would agree to pay all the invoices in one payment rather than spread the cost.
- iii. Quiet Lane Status. LT to pursue and update at the next meeting in July.  
  
Fire Alarm at the Pavilion. Cllr Blount to go and look for instructions and manuals on how to turn the alarm off and how to work the heating out. Resolved that Cllr McKean was to ask the previous Clerk for location of manuals / operating notes and report to members of the Parish Council.

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## 12. Community Consultation: Discuss what we would like share from the recent housing survey.

- i. What would the Parish Councillors like to share about the Community Consultation survey and via what medium? Resolved; Clerk was asked to collate top line information from the survey in order to present key findings to residents.

## 13. S106 – Playing surface update and MUGA update.

- i. The Cricket surface had now gone in and the work was completed last week. Secretary of the Cricket Club Nick Shaw is incredibly pleased with the outcome. Clerk was asked to check the details of the original order to confirm that all has been carried out accordingly.
- ii. MUGA is in the final stages and work should begin on June 1<sup>st</sup>.

## 14. Sports Pavilion/Playing Fields/ Washdyke related news.

- i. Cllr Mills updated members of the Parish Council and advised that the Legionella test would be carried out this week. The Cricket Club are also back in action.

## 15. Members' points of information.

- i. Cllr Mckean advised the members of the Parish Council that she has sent details re a Planning Consultant to Laura Mills and Cllr Richard Higgins. The proposed consultant would collate all the information relevant to the Rainier development and then hand it to us so that we could present it at the planning committee meeting. Cllr McKean is asking members of the Parish Council if we could decide on the PC providing funding this. If the threshold spend remains at £1k in terms of having three quotes, then we would have to obtain three quotes before we could assign this spend. Resolved that we would look at the threshold spend limit as the first port of call. All members of the parish council agreed that in principle, they would like to employ the services of a planning consultant – budget permitting.
- ii. Cllr Blount advised that she had received a complaint about overhanging trees. Resolved: Clerk to contact to LCC.
- iii. Cllr Cooke advised that the mantle piece project is finally complete. Should we look at insuring them? Resolved that Clerk LT would look at our insurance policy and see if they are already covered or whether we could add them to the policy and what the cost implication would be.

Chair Cllr Mills brought the meeting to a close at 20:33pm.