

MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Tuesday 21st January 2020 at 9:30am

Parish Council Office, The Old School Building, Main Street, Burton Joyce

Present : Cllrs J Johnson (Chair) T Hazard (Vice Chair) L King and Y Greenfield

In attendance: J Sherrin (Clerk) and P McDonough, Trustee of the Village Hall

MINUTES

CE20/196 **Apologies for absence** – None received

CE20/197 **Declaration of Councillors' interests for items on the agenda** - None

CE20/198 **Minutes of the previous meeting** – November 5th 2019 – Approved as a true record and duly signed by the Chair.

Standing orders were suspended and subsequently reinstated to allow item CE20/206 to be addressed.

CE20/199 **Network Rail meeting** – An on-site meeting had taken place with the Route Level Crossings Manager to assess how the crossing at the Chestnut Grove may be improved in order to mitigate its current threat of being recommended for closure. Recommendations will be made to NR by the Crossing Manager to consider installing additional gates to the fenced corridor immediately before the track on both sides and to investigate raising the surface at the crossing to improve visibility. Noted a resurfacing of the pathway over the track has already been requested to make it safer. Flyers and an item for the Parish Magazine to be sent to the Clerk in order to help raise awareness of the danger of crossing this track.

CE20/200 **VE Day celebrations** – Cllr Johnson provided an update on the committee that has been formed to plan this weekend. The Old School Building car park to be used and Parish Council's bank account to be used for the purposes of the event. Clerk to liaise with VIA regarding road closure on Friday 8th May from 2-3pm for a procession from the Cross Keys Pub to the War Memorial. There will be a tea dance on Saturday 9th May, a special service at St Helen's Church on Sunday 10th May and musical groups are performing over the weekend.

CE20/201 **Art Trail** – Deferred to next meeting.

CE20/202 **Highways and transport** – Letter received from resident on Padleys Lane stating concerns over damage to grass verges from school parking using the grass as a

turning circle. Clerk has contacted VIA to request investigation. Roads sub-group update – Cllrs Y Greenfield, T Hazard and L King to report back to next meeting.

- CE20/203 Patient Participation Group** – Cllr L King to attend meeting on 5th February.
- CE20/204 Liaison with Burton Joyce Primary School** – Cllr Hazard noted that the school is involved in the VE Day celebrations. Litter picking to be added to next agenda.
- CE20/205 Village Society** – Deferred to next meeting.
- CE20/206 Emergency Plan** – Draft plan previously circulated. To await allocation of councillor to co-ordination role until upcoming co-options. Cllrs L King and Y Greenfield to be on Working Group. Clerk to invite GBC Emergency Planning Officer to attend next Community Engagement meeting. As Trustee, P McDonough requested that in the Emergency Plan the Village Hall be nominated as the Emergency Centre. This will assist in grant applications to improve ladies' toilet facilities at the Village Hall. Noted keys would need to be held at the Parish Office in the key safe.
- CE20/207 Christmas Light Switch-on, November 30th 2019** – Noted that 3 residents had been in contact with the Parish Office with concerns over the noise and pollution from the motorbikes at the light switch-on. Discussion took place regarding possible alternatives to motorbikes. Concluded that the majority of feedback was very positive, but to consider the views of those concerned, a discussion will take place with the motorbike group to suggest reducing the number of bikes, turn off the engines once they have arrived and to not rev the engines on arrival. Clerk to organise meeting with the group to discuss. Story telling in the Main Hall of the Old School Building to be investigated for next year. Possibility of providing lighting and shelter in the car park to be explored to enable inclusion of market stalls. Wheelie bins to be provided as well as industrial size ones to alleviate litter issue. Cllr T Hazard will litter pick on the night.
- CE20/208 Information update** – Cllr L King attended the Climate Change talk at the Community Church Hall on 17th January. Approximately 50 people attended, including Tom Randall MP and GBC Cllr Sam Smith. To be added as a standing item on this Committee's agenda. Cllr J Johnson to invite County Councillor representing the Climate Change Committee to attend a meeting to provide further information to the Parish Council. Cllr King reported on further incident on A612 with bollard being knocked down. Clerk to ask local PCSOs to attend a future Communities meeting.
- CE20/209 Date of next meeting** - 9:30am March 10th 2020

Signed: _____
Chair of Community Engagement Committee

Date: _____