MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL MEETING OF WROXALL PARISH COUNCIL HELD USING ZOOM SOFTWARE ON MONDAY 8 MARCH 2021 AT 19.00

PRESENT: A Gallop (Chairman)

S. Chilton, L. Chivers, C. Watts, H. Little, V. Thorneton-Field, V. Wedlock-Ward,

K. Wacker

IN ATTENDANCE: M. R. Taplin (Clerk), Cllr R. Downer (IWC), one member of the public

84/20-21 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE None

85/20-21 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN AGENDA ITEMS

Cllr Gallop declared a pecuniary interest in Planning Application 21/00368. Cllr Chilton declared a personal interest in Planning Application21/00368.

86/20-21 TO CONFIRM AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 8 FEBRUARY 2021

The minutes of the meeting held on 11 January were adopted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

87/20-21 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES NOT REQUIRING A RESOLUTION

The gas works were progressing well with possible completion on 19 March. It was agreed to write to SGN to express appreciation for the efficiency and good attitude of the gang working on the project. Cllr Wedlock-Ward would forward details of the speeding app to Cllrs Thorneton-Field and Wacker. Island Roads were asking Scotchers to clear rubbish from St John's Terrace.

88/20-21 TO RESOLVE COMMENTS ON APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

21/00345 Appuldurcombe Condition compliance on P/00108/19

Holiday Park

resolved no objection

21/00368 Donkey Sanctuary Proposed timber barn/stable building

St John's Rd

resolved to recommend refusal. The application represents overdevelopment of the site, which is close to the boundary of the AONB, and would be intrusive in the landscape, creating an adverse visual effect in an area not connected to existing development on the site.

21/00381 Summervale Demolition of garage, single-storey side

Avenue Rd extension with new front porch

resolved no objection

89/20-21 THE WAY MAGAZINE

The next issue was approaching completion. Cllr Chilton said it would take account of pre-election 'purdah'. there would be colour on the front and back.

90/20-21 TELEPHONE BOX

The former telephone box was being used in a casual way as a library, but BT had advised that it would be removed unless the Parish Council wished to adopt it as the site for a defibrillator. There was concern at the potential for vandalism, and as there was a defibrillator at the nearby school, it was decided not to pursue this option.

91/20-21 TO RESOLVE PURCHASE OF SIGNS FOR THE RECREATION GROUND

Only one response had been received from three invitations to quote, from Signpost Express. It was **resolved** to proceed with the purchase and fixing of two signs at a cost of £530.

92/20-21 TO RESOLVE APPOINTMENT OF INTERNAL AUDITOR FOR THE 2020-21 ACCOUNTS

It was **resolved** to appoint Mr G. Hughes at £115.

93/20-21 TO APPROVE AUTHORISATION OF PAYMENTS

It was **resolved** that the following payments be authorized:

Cheque Payee Amount Description

Transfer Zurich Municipal £ 344.75 Insurance Premium

Transfer HMRC £ 63.20 PAYE

Transfer M R Taplin £ 252.54 Clerk's salary February

The income, bank reconciliation and balances were noted.

94/20-21 CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk reported on correspondence received. He would check with IWALC that Cllr Thorneton-Field was the nominated parish council representative.

95/20-21 ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS (not requiring a resolution)

Cllr Gallop referred to the funding from IW Council to help meet expenses of volunteers serving local residents during the pandemic. He said three volunteers, Mo, Helen and Jackie and put in a huge amount of work and suggested they be reimbursed £100 each. Also the Wroxall Minibus had made trips for people, and it was suggested that £160 of their extra costs be re-imbursed. These payments were agreed and it was suggested they be acknowledged in The Way.

Cllr Wedlock-Ward said the area around the gate to the field was very wet and muddy. Cllr gallop suggested some planings be put down. It was agreed that a noticeboard could be erected at the allotments. He asked where the football club might obtain a roller – hire company suggested.

Cllr Wacker raised the issue of persons apparently living in tents beside the Cooks castle footpath, proposing a charcoal burning business. It was agreed this was private land and there was some doubt that the persons involved were living on the site.

Cllr Downer endorsed the allocation of funding to meet volunteer's expenses. Island Roads had cleared the drainage pipe at Yard Farm Cottages. He was trying to set potholes at Stenbury Down repaired.

From the floor None.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 20.10

NEXT MEETING: Monday 12 April 2021, 19.00 via Zoom