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Minutes of **MEETING of RENHOLD PARISH COUNCIL** held on **Tuesday 25th February 2020** at 7.30pm at Renhold Chapel, Woodfield Road

PRESENT:- Parish Councillors: Mrs. Quince (Chair), Mr. Cook (Vice Chair), Mrs. Dean, Mr McIver, Mrs Gribble, Borough Councillors Stephen Moon, Chris McHugh, and seven members of the public.

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE TO BE RECEIVED: - Borough Councillors Phillipa Martin Moran Bryant and Tim Creswell, Parish Councillors Mr. Rayner, Mrs. Brunsten, Mr. Warwicker and Mr. Polhill and the Clerk Mrs. Barnicoat. All apologies were accepted.

2. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTEREST TO BE DECLARED FOR THE MEETING: - No declarations of interest received for the meeting.

The Chair adjourned the meeting for the next item.

3. OPEN FORUM: -

Utilities box on The Black Barn- still not been cladded

Flood outside the new barn development has not been resolved. It is very deep and forms after any rainfall.

Pinchgut Hill- surfaced-patched on a Saturday morning, which resulted in the road being closed for the morning with no notification. It appears to be temporary.

Action- Richard Cook to contact Highways Department to clarify the situation

Sports club grant-no one present at the meeting to discuss grant, so will discuss at next meeting.

The Chair reconvened the meeting for the next item.

4. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT: -

Tony Ploszajski very kindly lent his mini-projector to allow for evaluation before purchase of one by the Parish Council. Cllr Cook proposed that one is purchased, seconded by Cllr. Dean. Resolution made that Cllr. McIver purchase one before the next meeting.

a) Amended plans 19/01974/MAO outline application with all matters reserved except access for up to 400 dwellings, land for a new primary school, open space, drainage, footpath improvements and vehicular access via 25 Hookhams Lane - Communication with Officer had been maintained. Residents updated via circulation list. There is a discrepancy regarding traffic numbers, as manual counts were completed on one day only, 27/11/2019, and the data was then modelled to establish actual numbers. The report also stated that Hookhams Lane footpath is lit on both sides. It is not. Further comments from the Parish Council to be submitted.

b) Amended plans 19/02194/MAO outline application for the demolition of a dwelling and the erection of up to 28 dwellings with all matters reserved except for access at Land East of Hookhams Lane - archaeology reports ongoing, communications maintained with Officer, and residents updated via circulation list. Huge thanks to Peter Norris for extensive work he is doing on behalf of all residents, and particularly in this instance for those nearby who will be most affected.

c) 20/00119/FUL Single storey rear extension and alterations to front facade to create covered porch and pitched roof at 5 Wilden Road Renhold – Councillors to undertake a site visit to review the proposal.

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d) It was agreed to engage a planning consultant to help the Parish Council with significant applications. After review of submissions, it was decided that Francis Caudwell be hired at a cost of £750 per application/6 hours work. It was proposed by Cll. Cook, seconded by Cllr. McIver and resolved by the Parish Council to proceed with this for the current three Hookhams Lane planning applications on this agenda and would review if any such further large application is submitted before the next Council meeting.

e) 20/00360/FUL Single storey rear/side extension and extension to front porch 56 Thor Drive - Councillors to undertake a site visit to review the proposal.

f) Other planning matters to include application decisions and agreement of suitable medium for planning applications to be viewed at Parish Council meetings – Cllr. McIver will be attending the CPRE Workshop on Neighbourhood Planning. Following an article in the newsletter one resident expressed interest in being involved with the Neighbourhood Plan. Clerk did respond to him and it was resolved that the PC would pay for his attendance at the workshop.

Other decisions to note:

Permitted-

20/00011/TPO [Oak tree- Reduce lateral tree growth on garage side approximately 3-4 meters. T2](#)
[Ash tree- Fell to ground level](#) 12 Becher Close

05/03325/OUT - S106 Compliance Check Land North Of Norse Road - Response Sent

19/02433/FUL Two storey & single storey rear extension and replacement flat roof. 32A Church End

19/00066/FUL - Condition 6 - Boundary Treatments (discharge of condition). Land At Former Site Of The Three Horseshoes Top End

19/00066/FUL - Condition 5 - Surface Water Drainage (discharge of condition). Land At Former Site Of The Three Horseshoes Top End

19/00066/FUL - Condition 7 - Landscaping (discharge of condition) Land At Former Site Of The Three Horseshoes Top End

19/00066/FUL - Condition 16 - Cycle Parking (discharge of condition). Land At Former Site Of The Three Horseshoes Top End

19/00066/FUL - Condition 4 - Materials (discharge of condition). Land At Former Site Of The Three Horseshoes Top End

19/01692/FUL [Change of use for land to storage of helicopter and erection of helicopter hangar](#)
Castle Dairy Farm St Neots Road

Withdrawn-

18/03072/FUL [Erection of a 2 storey dwelling with basement structure and separate combined equestrian stables and energy centre building, along with improvements to the existing vehicular access, landscape works to create residential and agricultural curtilage.](#) Land at Water Lane -

Taken to appeal

20/0001/FUL erection of porch at 22 Maskell Drive

5. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:-It was resolved to approve the minutes of 13th January, signed by the Chair as a true and accurate record.

MATTERS ARISING:-

- Contractor contact regarding accepted quote for repairs to village assets (benches)
- Cranbourne Gardens 'children playing' signs reminder has been sent to local authority
- Planning comments submitted
- Requested Ravensden Road and Hookhams Lane Speed Data
- Power of competency work ongoing
- Wild flower pockets in the parish ongoing

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- Article for interested individuals to come forward and express an interest in Neighbourhood Planning completed.
- Conservation Officer feedback regarding the Church End enforcement of the utility box and asked about the noticeboard.
- Parish electors' meeting booked
- Churchyard provision on agenda
- Playgroup financial assistance response sent, Village Hall updated.
- Renhold Sports Club letter regarding funding request sent.
- Gardening Club letter sent to clarify method of paying village facilities directly.
- Grass cutting optimum liaisons
- Letter to Sports Club about dog bin and sign ongoing
- Precept submission
- Posters to be designed to advertise and gather volunteers for Neighbourhood Plan proposal and will be placed on notice boards and websites.

All other items will be covered during the meeting.

6. BOROUGH COUNCILLOR REPORT: -

Report received and circulated, Cllr. Moon: 5 year land supply has been agreed but has been challenged by a developer. Agreed that Neighbourhood Plan is very important for future development. EW rail consultation- various venues, see notice boards, websites etc.

Cllr. McHugh: 5 year land supply hopefully upheld. East-West Rail publicity drive to be launched 10/03/2020; council tax rate set at 3.85%. Boundary review ongoing which may affect the two Renhold estates (Spire and Aspire) which are currently not in Great Barford Ward.

7. HIGHWAYS MATTERS WITHIN THE VILLAGE: -

a) Feedback from meeting with Senior Borough Highways Officer to discuss range of important highway issues – minutes circulated.

b) Church End safety to include proposals relating to pedestrian crossing and school bus - still need to see financial report on Pelican v Zebra crossing. Furthest house 0.9 miles away which is within safe walking distance. AQ, Brad (governor), DR to meet with Jon Shortland 26/02/2020 to discuss. Only 5 parents appealed against the bus removal. AQ & DR to examine other safe routes in 'old Renhold'.

c) Other highways matters - Water End signage outstanding – Clerk to chase. Clerk responded to the footpath diversion at Wentworth House. Church End traffic lighting repairs completed.

8. EAST WEST RAIL BEDFORD TO CAMBRIDGE PREFERRED ROUTE ANNOUNCEMENT :-

Consultation dates published; Parish Council to encourage residents to attend to understand the implications for Renhold; posters to be produced advertising dates and locations. Will be an important agenda item for future meetings.

9. FEEDBACK FROM MEETINGS COUNCILLORS HAVE ATTENDED :-

Summaries circulated by those who attended Police Priority setting, Town and Parish Network meeting and Borough Council Electoral review meeting.

10. VILLAGE MATTERS: -

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Asset inspection review undertaken. Green End bus stop down-pipe missing. This must be further investigated. Church End seat under repair. Church End notice board needs replacing. Village sign by church needs replacing, Cllr. Quince to ask Terry Noakes for quote. Wording on remembrance bench agreed. VE fayre planning ongoing. Bill Peet and Son and Worboys grass cutting quotations. Both agreed. Cllr Gribble to oversee, review and report back.

11. GDPR CONSIDERATION OF OPTIONS RELATING TO COUNCIL EMAILS AND UPDATE ON WEBSITE OPTIONS: -

IM gave update. He had met with GDPR expert who proposed a .gov.uk web address following good practice guidelines. Council resolved to purchase. Councillors to update their profiles.

12. CONSIDERATION ON WHETHER TO APPOINT COMMITTEES :-

Resolved to appoint two separate Committees, Finance and Highways. Deferred to next meeting as so few councillors present. So far...Finance – Cllrs Cook and McIver and Highways - Cllrs Dean and Quince.

13. CHURCHYARD PROVISION IN PARISH:-

Cllr. Quince to liaise with new vicar and to approach landowner for sale of land.

14. FINANCE MATTERS TO INCLUDE: -

The latest transaction report was circulated.

a) Financial review for 2019/20 – circulated. No matters arising.

b) Invoices:

Barnicoat Ltd Clerking service January £618.92

Renhold Village Hall hire £42.00 hire for January

JCB Printing posters £14.40

Roll and Scroll War Memorial Bench £1,100.00

Bedford Borough Council May 2019 election recharges £119.13

Morelock two vehicle activated signs £5,090.00 plus VAT

Renhold Chapel Gardening Club donation January £25.00

Renhold Chapel February Parish Council meeting donation £25.00

c) Financial Regulations appendix – document has been reviewed between meetings, circulated for consideration at meeting, figures to be inserted.

15. CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION RECEIVED: -

NALC Events Bulletin emails

Age Partnership email promoting services

BBC Planning weekly list email

Village newsletter copy

Online playgrounds promotional information

BBC letter acknowledging receipt of planning comments

BRCC e-bulletin newsletter

CPRE update emails

Bank statements

Crime statistics - forwarded to all

ERTA Voluntary Transport email

Beds Police newsletter

Officer communications regarding Hookhams Lane commissioned highways work

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BBC Weekly Licensing list
BBC letter acknowledging receipt of planning comments
Renhold Village Hall payment communications
Communications regarding asset inspection of Parish Council items
Cranbourne Gardens bench location communications with contractor
Communications regarding Cranbourne Gardens highways signage request for children playing
Clerks and Council Direct magazine
Village magazine article communications
Renhold traffic light phasing communication from resident copied into that they sent to Highways Helpdesk
Residents added to the village circulation list
BATPC Disciplinary and grievance arrangements
Resident communication regarding Ravensden Road and Hookhams Lane Speed Data
Renhold Village Hall new hirer agreement
Police Priority Setting meeting communications regarding 8th January and 8th April meeting
BBC Precept communications
CPRE Neighbourhood Planning Workshop
Grass cutting contractor communications regarding ideal number of cuts over the season
BATPC FW: Quick question about village and community halls in your area
PCC Precept Survey 2020
BATPC London Luton Airport expansion
From The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Bedfordshire Police - Beds Youth Council (BYC) [OFFICIAL]
BATPC East West Rail: Bedford to Cambridge Preferred Route Option announced
BATPC Pay claim/ referendum principles
BATPC Spring/Summer Training programme
Read our new Came & Company Local Council Insurance newsletter
Church End pedestrian crossing design received
Hookhams Lane, Traffic Data 8th to 14th January 2020
Communications regarding Wilden Road near Polhill Arms Renhold
War Memorial bench order communications
BBC Parish election recharges - Thursday 2 May 2019
Bedford Borough Council; Pre Order Consultation HAD 106 REN
The Renhold Village VE Day Fayre communications with Came and Company
BBC email regarding Bromham Neighbourhood Development Plan
BBC School Transport - Renhold Primary School letter
BBC Over 70s - New Programme
Bedfordshire Scouts Funding Request
19 02194 MAO Archaeology works Land East of Hookhams Lane Renhold Officer communications
Borough Councillor objections copied into on application 19/01974/MAO
Bedford Borough electoral review - Meeting invitation 13th February 2020
BBC Officer communications and updates regarding 19/01974/MAO
Community Priority and Future Community Surgeries
Renhold Gardening Club communications regarding grant assistance
Resident comments on Application number 19/02194/MAO Location: Land East of Hookhams Lane Renhold Bedfordshire
Resident expression of interest in Neighbourhood Plan
Resident questions regarding the Local Plan process

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Planning consultant quotation correspondence
Editorial deadlines - East West Rail
Bedford Borough Council 2020/21 Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme Consultation
Bill Peet and Son quotation for consideration
Bench repairs contractor communications
Councillor request for overgrown hedges letter
Letter from Richard Fuller MP
Groundwork promotional information

16. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: - To be held on 15th April 2020 starting 7pm, at Renhold Village Hall. Meeting closed at 9.15pm

Signed

Dated