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MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL MEETING OF POLTIMORE PARISH COUNCIL HELD USING THE ZOOM PLATFORM ON 26th MAY 2020 AT 7PM

Present: Lisa Thomas - Councillor Chair

James Feesey - Councillor
Esme Gibbins - Councillor
David Pritchard - Councillor
Valerie Langabeer - Councillor

Ray Bloxham - County Councillor Fabian King - District Councillor

Jennie Edwards - Clerk Members of the Public - 8

Due to technical problems the Chair was unable to attend visually so was communicating via telephone.

30/20 - APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE none

31/20 - DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST

To receive and resolve Declarations of Interest not currently on Councillors' ROIs and receipt of request for new Disclosable Pecuniary Interest. (DPI) dispensation on items on the Agenda.

Cllrs L Thomas and Val Langabeer declared family connection with regard to planning application 20/0848/FUL Windrush Cllr E Gibbins declared family connection with planning application 20/0931 Higher Lathys Farm.

32/20 - MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

The minutes for the 28th April 2020 were resolved and approved as a true and accurate record by all the Councillors by email and the Chair had signed and dated the minutes.

33/20 FINANCE

To resolve to approve the Bank Reconciliation

Bank Balance as at (14 Jan 20) £11,457.22p
Business Interest Account £1,017.13p
Payment of Clerks salary s/o £258.96p
Payment of website Direct Debit £48.00p

Received the first half of the Precept from EDDC £2922.50p

Cheques Required for: Community First Insurance

Resolved to pay the approved payments. Cheque will be signed and dated

Finance cont.

The accounts for the year ending 31st March 2020, had been audited by the Internal Auditor. Copy of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2019/20 had been sent to all the Councillors.

The Annual Governance Statement was completed and resolved by all Councillors Accounting Statements were resolved by all Councillors.

Certificate of Exemption AGAR 2019/20 Part 2 was resolved and approved by all Councillors.

These would now be sent to the Chair for signature and dated.

34/20 PLANNING APPLICATION

20/0931/FUL	Higher Lathys Farm	Proposed general purpose agricultural livestock	
		building	

Comments Cllr E Gibbins was muted and took no part in the decision of this application.

As the proposal was identical to the surrounding buildings. The Council supported this application.

20/0848/FUL	Windrush Poltimore EX4 0AB	Change of use of residential
		dwelling and agricultural land to an
		educational facility to operate as an
		independent special school (use
		class D1) and provision of car park
		spaces, installation of compost and
		wildlife pond and planting of new
		woodland.

Cllrs L Thomas and V Langabeer were muted and took no part in the discussion with regard to this application.

Comments

Members of the public were given the opportunity to voice their concerns.

A member of the public made the following statement then introduced the speaker for the residents of Ratsloe

"We wish to make it abundantly clear that the residents of Ratsloe are united in their objections to the change of use application regarding Windrush regardless of whether they are represented by Poltimore Parish Council or Huxham Parish Group."

Ratsloe resident speaker stated the main concerns are centred around the effect on the

a. neighbourhood
 b. noise pollution
 c. road safety and the increase in traffic d. effect on private residential properties.

The speaker then continued to point out that the application firstly does not comply to the Local plan and secondly wished to draw the attention of the Councillors to the change of use in that the application also included an element to cover entertainment on some weekends when the building would become a party venue and provide a second income. Due to time constraints it was decided, that in the light of information put forward during the meeting, Poltimore Council would need another meeting to formalize their comments.

<u>35/20 - DATE OF NEXT MEETING</u> Due to the lockdown to Covid-19, the next virtual meeting TBD.

The meeting closed at 8.05pm
Date