

PRESTON ST MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of an Additional Meeting of Preston St Mary Parish Council.**'Remote meeting' - held on 6 July 2020 at 7pm**

Present: Chair Cllr Martin, Cllrs Tasker, Hanlon and Luck, together with the Parish Clerk, Nicola Smith and District and County Cllr Robert Lindsay. No members of the public present.

1. Apologies:

- i. Cllr Korwin sent his apologies (see 2i);
- ii. Cllrs consented to the apology.

2. To receive Members' Declarations of Interest:

- i. Cllr Korwin declared an interest to the Parish Clerk ahead of the meeting in relation to item 6(i) planning matter, due to the proximity of his own home. As this was an additional meeting, primarily to deal with the planning matter, Mr Korwin advised the Clerk that he would not attend the meeting.
- ii. Declaration of gifts of hospitality – none.
- iii. Requests for dispensation for pecuniary interest – none.

3. Minutes of Meeting: Draft Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting on 26 May 2020: Cllr Hanlon proposed that they were a true and accurate record. Chair Cllr Martin seconded. All Cllrs present agree. Chairman to sign and date the Minutes in due course.**4. Public Forum: No members of the public present.****5. To consider further expenditure on bulbs for the village:**

Cllr Hanlon proposed that further Spring bulbs were purchased for planting around the village (300 snowdrops and 675 crocuses). Cllr Martin enquired about tulips, and it was agreed that Cllr Hanlon would look into this for next year. Cllr Hanlon had obtained quotations for the bulbs in the sum of £136.75. Cllr Tasker proposed and Cllr Martin seconded the expenditure on the bulbs. Motion carried. Cllr Hanlon will purchase and provide the Clerk with the invoice.

6. Planning Matter:

- (i) Application DC/20/02363 – Model Farm, Whelp Street, Preston St Mary, Sudbury, CO10 9NJ. Submission of details (Reserved matters application) for outline planning permission DC/18/03470. Access, Appearance, landscaping, layout and scale for the erection of 1No. dwelling following demolition of existing buildings.

Cllrs discussed the planning application and commented as follows:-

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- It is a tall, large and dominating building and feel that it is out of character with Whelp Street;
- As pointed out in the 2018 response, the proposed property sits within the valley of Whelp Street which is overlooked by a footpath, and the property would dominate part of that view;
- One Cllr did not feel that the property was too large and dominating;
- All Cllrs agreed that there are issues with the access regarding the highways splays. The Highways Department comments on this application had been noted by all Cllrs present. Clerk had further advised that same concerns had been expressed by Highways on the 2018 application. Several Cllrs concerned about how this would impact on traffic (including cyclists and pedestrians) on Whelp Street if visibility at the access point was not improved in line with what Highways were suggesting in their expert opinion;
- It was agreed that the Clerk would draft a response for Cllrs to consider ahead of the Clerk submitting the response on the 9th July 2020 (2:1 vote to object to the

7. **Date of next meeting:** 28 July 2020 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

Meeting closed: 7.35pm

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