

**GREAT BEDWYN PARISH COUNCIL**  
**DRAFT MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ONLINE PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 12 NOVEMBER 2020 AT 7.30 PM.**

Present: Cllr Howell (Chair), Cllr Barry, Cllr Younger, Cllr Kershaw, Cllr Nicholson, Cllr Barber from agenda item 6. Cllr Sheerin joined the meeting at 20.06 at agenda item 7.  
3 members of the public

Public Participation –

1. Mr Wilkinson, GBNDP, asked whether progress had been made on asking Councillor Wheeler to facilitate a meeting with Little Bedwyn Parish Council to discuss a proposed boundary change. Cllr Howell reported that no progress had been made.

**290.20 – APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Cllr Clack. No apologies: Cllr Bushby, Cllr Brunskill

**291.20 – MINUTES**

The Minutes of the meeting held on 10 September 2020 were not approved due to there being an inquorate of those present at that meeting. The minutes of 2 October 2020 were approved and signed as a true record.

**292.20 – DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were none.

**293.20 – COUNCILLOR CO-OPTION**

Mr Humphrey Barber was co-opted onto the Council and onto the Planning Committee. Mr Barber signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office form and joined the meeting as a Councillor. Cllr Barber declared no interest in any agenda item.

**294.20 – FOOTPATHS GROUP GRANT REQUEST**

The Council agreed to fund a grant of £1500 from reserves and the grant budget using its powers under the Highways Act 1980 s.43. The Footpaths group must report back to Council on how the money is spent and submit a new request for any future funding. The Council agreed to set aside money in next year's budget for footpaths maintenance.

**295.20 – VILLAGE HALL**

The Council considered a request from the Village Hall Committee for a grant of £921 to pay for decorating costs as part of the Hall's refurbishment project and agreed to spend the money using its powers under the Local Gov (Misc. Provisions) Act 1976 s.19.

**296.20 – BENCH**

The Council discussed the proposal to purchase a new bench and it was agreed that Councillor Barber will research whether to refurbish the bench on Forest Hill or purchase a new bench.

**297.20 – PCAP**

The Council passed a resolution to donate £300 to PCAP. The Council agreed that in accordance with its powers under Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972 the expenditure is in the interests of the inhabitants of Great Bedwyn and will benefit them in a manner commensurate with the expenditure.

**298.20 – ANNUAL GOVERNANCE REVIEW SECTION 3**

The Council received the External Audit Report, AGAR section 3, and noted the auditor's comments: '...in our opinion the information in Sections 1 and 2 of the AGAR is in accordance with Proper Practices and no other matters have come to our attention giving cause for concern that relevant legislation and regulatory requirements have not been met.'

### **299.20 – PLANNING REPORT**

The Council received the planning report -

20/07069/LBC, 85 Church Street, SN8 3PF, Central heating tank - Approve

20/ 04487/ VAR, 39,Farm Lane, SN8 3LU, Attention to supporting wall – object

20/07806/FUL, 11, Farm Lane SN8 3LU, New building for six apartments etc... – object. Wiltshire Council has refused the application.

20/07896/FUL, Tottenham House SN8 3BE, Electricity substation etc... – no comment.

20/08118/FUL, 94 Church Street SN8 3PF, Renewal of lapsed permissions for garage & garden room – no comment

20/08436/FUL, 5.Forestry Houses SN8 3LW, single storey extension/garage /workshop to replace shed – no comment

20/08199/FUL, 37. Farm Lane, SN8 3LU, Ground floor rear extension - no comment

20/09272/TCA, 16/ Brook street SN8 3LZ, Removal of Silver Birch tree - no comment

### **300.20 – FINANCE REPORT**

1. The Finance Report was received. The Clerk reported that the Council has received £23191.62 in Community Infrastructure Levy for the Tottenham House development. Cllr Barry reminded Councillors to submit their budget proposals prior to the next meeting.
2. The cheques were approved.

The meeting closed at 20.49.