



Minutes of the Meeting of Gnosall Parish Council

held on 19th July 2021 at 7.30pm in The Grosvenor Centre

Present: Cllr P Alker (in the chair), Cllr M Booth, Cllr J Tomkinson, Cllr S Powell, Cllr T Simkin, Cllr M Holmes, Cllr D Webb, Cllr J Archer, Cllr R Greatrex and Jayne Cooper Clerk

The Chair informed Council that agenda item 21/066(d) had been deferred and would be dealt with at an Extra Ordinary Council Meeting on 29th July.

Public Open Forum

No members of the public were present

21/061 To receive apologies and record absences

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Gregory, Cllr Ingram, Cllr Mills, Cllr Payne, Cllr Emsley, Cllr Lammin, Cllr Symons and SBC Cllrs P Farrington and M Smith and County Cllr M Winnington.

21/062 To receive any Declarations of Interest

Cllr Archer, as Youth Leader and owner of ACP Bar Services, declared an interest in any discussion about GG's Youth Club or the bar provision at the Grosvenor Centre.

Cllr Alker declared an interest in any discussion about the library and Grosvenor online booking system as her husband is involved in both (voluntary roles).

Cllr Simkin declared an interest in any personnel related discussions as her mother is an employee of the Parish Council.

21/063 To receive and confirm the minutes of the last regular meeting of the Council held on 4th May 2021

Subject to one minor amendment, the minutes were approved as true and accurate record of the meeting.

21/064 To consider any matters arising from the minutes not elsewhere on the agenda

There were no matters arising.

21/065 To receive the following reports:

- a) **The Clerk's Report** was taken as read with the Clerk explaining that the recently appointed Police Crime Commissioner had been invited to the parish council meeting but had declined.

He had since sent an email asking parish councillors to contact him directly with any matters of concern.

- b) **The CSO Report** was taken as read and it was noted that the Grosvenor Centre, now all COVID restrictions had been lifted, is open and it is hoped previous regular hirers would resume their bookings.

c) Any reports from Parish Councillors on meetings/courses attended

Gnosall Patients Forum - Cllr Alker had attended the most recent meeting. It was reported that the surgery had resumed face to face consultations for some patients and would continue with telephone and video call consultations.

Gnosall Memorial Village Hall, Cllr Simkin confirmed that reports of meetings would, in future, be sent to the Parish Council from the Secretary of the Village Hall Committee.

d) Any reports from Borough and County Councillors

Borough and County Councillors were not present.

21/066 To consider committee issues

Matters relating to the Resources Committee

- The minutes of the meeting held on 6th July were accepted.
- Recommendations to pay the second instalment of 2019 election expenses, grants to Moreton and Knightley churches for ground maintenance and a grant to Gnosall First Responders to help meet the costs of replacement defibrillator batteries were all approved. The Clerk to action.

Matters relating to the Planning Committee

- The minutes of the meeting held on 24th June were accepted

Matters relating to the Open Spaces Committee

- Minutes of the meeting held on 21st June were accepted.
- A recommendation to appoint Foxley Earthworks as the preferred contractor for 4 years to maintain the brook and wetland area on The Acres was approved.
- A recommendation to terminate the contract with Staffordshire County Council for maintaining the grass verges in the parish (owned by County Council) was approved. It was agreed that an explanation of why the parish council had reached this decision would be published parish magazines.
- It was noted that quotations had been received for the refurbishment of the play area on Brookhouse Road and a meeting would be held on 29th July to consider them.
- It was also noted that repairs had been carried out on the boardwalk.

Matters relating to the Grosvenor Centre Committee

It had been agreed previously to defer consideration of a report from the CIO Working Group.

Matters relating to GFest 2021

Some GFest events had been postponed until September because of the delayed lifting of COVID restrictions, bad weather and football matches all of which would have affected numbers of people attending events. All postponed events would take place on 25th and 26th September. Events that had taken place ie the Family Fun Run, Pond Dipping, Family Walk, History Walk, Gnome Spotting Trail and Photography Competition had been well supported. A grant of £500 had been received from Visit Stafford to support GFest.

21/067 To receive a report on financial receipts for May and June 2021 and receive accounts for approval for July 2021

The accounts were approved as presented.

21/068 To report any highway issues including any feedback from Staffordshire County Council on matters raised at the public meeting held on 1st March 2021

The Clerk confirmed she had recently written to the County Councillor reminding him of agreed action at both the public meeting and consequent Council meetings. There had been no response to the email.

Cllr Greatrex confirmed that he had been informed that work is scheduled to take place on Knightley Road week commencing 6th September and would take 7-10 days. Work would include new drains, ditch clearing and new pipework. This was welcomed and Cllr Greatrex was thanked for his input.

It was also agreed that the local Highways Officer should be informed that repairs carried out by developers that built new houses on Audmore Road are now deteriorating and need addressing to make good.

It was noted that despite road closure signs on Wilbrington Road, no work had commenced and therefore traffic is ignoring the signage. Road closure signs had also been placed on Hollies Common and work carried out intermittently but signage left in place.

21/069 To request items for the next agenda

Police Matters - Cllr Webb

21/070 To confirm the date and time of the next meetings

An Extra Ordinary Meeting on 29th July at 7pm

Scheduled Council Meeting 13th September 7.30pm

The meeting closed at 8.20pm

Gnosall Parish Council
PAYMENTS LIST

Voucher Code	Date	Minute	Bank	Cheque No	Description	Supplier	VAT Type	Net	VAT	Total
106	12/07/2021		Co-operative	BACS	Pension	GPC	E	1,182.88	0.00	1,182.88
102	12/07/2021		Co-operative	BACS	Salary	GPC	E	648.61	0.00	648.61
103	12/07/2021		Co-operative	BACS	Salary	GPC	E	2,230.41	0.00	2,230.41
104	12/07/2021		Co-operative	BACS	Salary	GPC	E	483.62	0.00	483.62
105	12/07/2021		Co-operative	BACS	NI&PAYE	GPC	E	1,250.07	0.00	1,250.07
107	12/07/2021		Co-operative	BACS	Grass cutting	JWH Ground	E	2,364.00	0.00	2,364.00
108	12/07/2021		Co-operative	BACS	Allotment maintenance	JWH Ground	E	110.00	0.00	110.00
109	12/07/2021		Co-operative	BACS	Staff expenses	GPC	E	45.00	0.00	45.00
100	19/07/2021		Co-operative	BACS	Handyman duties	P Prince	E	123.50	0.00	123.50
101	19/07/2021		Co-operative	BACS	Handyman duties	Paul Prince	E	169.00	0.00	169.00
94	19/07/2021		Co-operative	BACS	Photocopying	Ricoh	S	151.29	30.26	181.55
95	19/07/2021		Co-operative		Photocopying	Ricoh	S	143.72	28.74	172.46
96	19/07/2021		Co-operative		DIY materials for	Travis Perkins	S	12.03	2.41	14.44
97	19/07/2021		Co-operative		DIY materials for benches	TFM	S	10.42	2.08	12.50
98	19/07/2021		Co-operative		new door on Workshop	Huws Gray	S	84.15	16.83	100.98
99	19/07/2021		Co-operative	BACS	Sanitary services	Phs	S	149.95	29.99	179.94
Total								9,158.65	110.31	9,268.96