

Parish Council of Bournmoor

Meeting of Bournmoor Parish Council, via Zoom,

Wednesday 20th May 2020 at 7.00pm

1. **Present** - Cllr Robinson (Acting Chair), Cllr Armstrong, Cllr Holland, G Oliver (Clerk, minuting), Cllr Nelsey,
Guest – Cllr Bell (DCC)

2. **Apologies for absence** – Cllr White, Cllr Tait, Cllr Brady

3. **Chairmans Introduction** – Cllr Robinson welcomed everyone to the virtual Parish meeting, via zoom. Cllr Robinson was acting chair for today's meeting, due to the absence of Cllr Tait, who everyone wished a speedy recovery.

4. **Minutes of Previous Meeting** – March minutes were approved and signed off by Cllr Robinson per pro the Council.

5. **Police report** – Cllr Holland advised that PCSO Janelle Taylor, would no longer be on the front line, and would be replaced by PCSO Christine Taylor, who would be our new Parish contact. Cllr Holland advised around progress of quad bikes being ridden and continued to encourage reporting issue, as they are being pursued.

Details of crime within our area can be found usually through this link (although this is not being updated at present due to covid 19 and staffing priorities):-

<https://www.police.uk/durham/CLS6/crime/>

6. **Matters Arising** – G Oliver advised, G that the application for Trees via the Woodland Trust had been successful. The Cllrs thanked G Oliver for all her work in getting the application approved, we expect delivery of around 100 trees in November. G Oliver advised she had updated Ken Clark on the successful application.

7. **Standards matters** – Facebook is now fully operational and growing in articles and followers each week, providing a good communication tool with the community. A parish e-mail address will be arranged next, followed by a review of the Parish Website to bring it up to date. Cllrs were asked to take a look and review the website and provide any ideas to update and make it another good

communication avenue for the community, which will be developed over the coming months.

It was requested that we use Facebook over the coming month, to ask residents what they see as the issues in our community, whether there is an issue with speeding and a reminder of social distancing measures.

8. Financial matters – The following accounts were agreed & paid:-

- G Oliver - £494.90
- CDALC Subs: £293.23
- BHIB Public Liability Insurance - £493.16
- Bank Balance - £48,542.60

9. Correspondence – none received.

10. Village Matters – Following concerns of speeding, G Oliver had researched costs of a speed electronic sign, and had been advised that a permanent feature would cost the Parish around £11k. The Parish are still keen to pursue this, and would keep an eye out for possible funding opportunities. A facebook post would be arranged to see if community have concerns over speeding before discussing again at next meeting.

G Oliver had also liased with DCC around options for the roundabout, but there is little that can be done to change shape or nature, with costs substantial and would involve road closures.

Other areas highlighted include:-

- Traffic lights will be on the A183 again, to work on street lighting
- Discussion took place around policy on house buildings, all decisions will be made according to the policy
- Concerns that people aren't abiding with social distancing in our community, a reminder to be issued
- Concerns remain over people with rifles for shooting, with damage of bullet holes being seen across street signs
- Further Work by footpath of Bournmoor Cricket Club is due to get underway.
- Kerb lines are being sprayed by DCC – if there are any concerns please report to Cllr Bell or DCC

Next Meeting: 17th June 2020. The meeting closed at 20:05