

FREELAND PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF FREELAND PARISH COUNCIL, HELD REMOTELY VIA ZOOM DUE TO THE ONGOING CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC, ON THE 15TH FEBRUARY 2021, IN THE COUNTY OF OXFORDSHIRE AT 7.30PM.

PRESENT:	Chairman:	Peter Newell
	Vice-Chairman:	Robert Crocker
	Councillors:	Mary Ann Canning, Peter Foster, Matthew Ruddle, Véro McCoy, Tim Webster, Bill Phillips.
	District Councillors:	Alaa al Yousuf (till 9.50pm) Merilyn Davies (till 8.35pm)
	County Councillor:	Liam Walker (from 8.25pm-9.50pm)
	Clerk:	Lisa Smith

At the time of this meeting taking place, the UK and rest of the world were still experiencing a Coronavirus (Covid -19) pandemic, and legislation and rules around social distancing were being updated regularly. The current Government advice was to not allow public meetings to take place, but legislation had been changed to allow virtual meetings instead.

1. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

Two members of the public were present for this session – Kenny Wylie, who wished to listen to the meeting, and Russell Fisher who wished to speak about a Naturehood Earthwatch group for Freeland.

Another resident, Amy Jackson, who was also a member of the Traffic Calming Working Group, joined the meeting later from 8.20pm – 9.45pm.

Russell gave a brief presentation following on from a webinar produced by Eynsham Nature Recovery Group. He was starting a Naturehood Earthwatch group for Freeland and was keen to work together with the Parish Council to engage the community and try and reverse wildlife decline. A project in Eynsham had been very successful and was now being started in Cassington, and Russell was hoping to build on something similar in Freeland. A suggestion was to have an interactive map where residents could pin locations of what wildlife had been seen or what improvements could be made to particular areas of the village. This would enable community engagement and involvement. There was also the chance of obtaining some funding from Wild Oxfordshire for hedgerows from the Nature Recovery Network. Another idea was to work with OCC Highways about reducing mowing on certain verges to aid nature to recover and more wildflowers to flourish, or to have a wildflower meadow to increase wildlife. It was suggested the group could get involved in the current project of tidying up the bottom end of the playing field and Robert would get in touch with Russell when he had received delivery of the plants. Russell was keen to draw upon expertise in the village and to promote this as a community project, owned by everyone rather than dictated to the residents. Alaa, Merilyn and Liam could also assist with promoting these ideas with WODC and OCC.

Councillors were positive about these ideas and were happy to support Russell in his endeavours. Russell thanked the Parish Council for their time and wished to stay in the meeting until 9.45pm.

2. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – None.

3. CODE OF CONDUCT:

3.1 TO RECEIVE ANY AMENDMENTS TO THE REGISTER OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

There were no amendments to the Register of Members' Interests.

3.2 TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS FROM COUNCILLORS FOR MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED AT THE MEETING

Mary Ann Canning (personal) as a member of Freeland Charitable Foundation.

Robert Crocker (personal) as a member of Freeland Charitable Foundation (FCF) and as having a local business.

Matthew Ruddle (personal) as caretaker of the Little Free Library and as a member of 1st

Hanborough/Freeland Scouts Committee.

Tim Webster (personal) as having a local business.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4.1 To approve and sign as a correct record the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Monday 18th January 2021

The Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 18th January 2021 were approved and would be signed by the Chairman (outside of the meeting) as a true record of those proceedings.

5. URGENT BUSINESS

There was no urgent business to report.

6. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

6.1 Mobile coverage in Freeland – to receive an update on progress to improve mobile signal

It was reported that the site at the BT Exchange on the corner of Wroslyn Road and the A4095 was progressing with a multi-skills site visit planned for the following month. After this was completed, if the site was deemed acceptable, drawings would be produced and a planning application would be submitted. Initially the mast would be for Vodafone and O2, but it was felt likely it would then be opened up to other operators such as EE. Peter F would keep the Council updated on any further developments.

6.2 PC Noticeboard – to update on progress to remove PC notice board on the corner of Parklands.

The board had not yet been removed but would be done shortly.

6.3 Community Led Plan review – to receive an update on the CLP review.

Mary Ann had been in email and telephone communication with the resident who had confirmed they were happy to review and update the Plan. However, it was noted that the CLP was a stand-alone document and a snapshot in time of the views of the village, so any update should be a paper insert rather than an update to the whole document.

The resident had come up with a list of items they felt needed addressing and these were as follows:

- To form a Youth Club and have youth activities.
- Day Centre with café and shop.
- An Advocate for elderly.
- A village pond group.
- To initiate a community woodland/allotment.
- Village Community co-ordination group for events.
- A cycle group to promote cycling and cycle paths.
- A mobility Scooter Champion – worth following up.

After some discussion, Council felt that some of these items had already been addressed. It was felt there were sufficient activities on offer with Scouts, Guides and various sports clubs to not need a Youth Club as well. For the day centre and café/shop there was the Methodist Church still being pursued as a possible option, plus it was felt better use of the Nursing Home café could be made as they were keen to play a bigger part in the community and this could be publicised more widely. The Clerk was happy to be an advocate for the elderly to link in with the prescription collection service. Russell Fisher was starting a Nature Recovery group who could include the pond in their project. Alaa and the Allotment Association were already in contact with Blenheim regarding use of some of the land opposite the school for allotments and possibly a community woodland/orchard. The village community coordinator group for events, cycle group and mobility scooter champion were all items that were felt to be worth following up. Mary Ann would respond to the resident.

Action: Mary Ann to feed back to resident re above.

7. PLANNING - Applications received & WODC Decisions plus:

7.1 Applications Received:

20/03584/HHD

53 WROSLYN ROAD, FREELAND.

Insertion of new dormer window in rear elevation of detached garage for Mr G Findley.

21/00068/HHD

59 WROSLYN ROAD, FREELAND.

Erection of a two-storey side extension, single story rear extension and conversion of loft space with rear dormer for Mrs Evens.

After reviewing the above two applications, Councillors agreed not to make any comments or objections to the proposed changes to the properties.

Action: Clerk to advise WODC Planning Dept of the above.

7.2 Applications Approved:

20/03458/HHD

20 BLENHEIM LANE, FREELAND.

Erection of two-storey rear and side extensions to replace existing garage and utility and construction of new garage for Mr & Mrs Lay.

20/02310/HHD

PIPERS, 163 WROSLYN ROAD, FREELAND.

Partial demolition of existing garage and rear extension and replace with a two-storey side extension for Mr G Bull.

20/02311/LBC

PIPERS, 163 WROSLYN ROAD, FREELAND.

Internal and external alterations to include partial demolition of existing garage and rear extension and replace with a two-storey side extension together with changes to internal layout for Mr G Bull.

7.3 Applications Refused: None.

7.4 Applications Withdrawn: None.

7.5 Applications Awaiting Decision:

20/01734/OUT

LAND NORTH OF A40, A40 SECTION FROM BARNARD GATE TO EYNSHAM ROUNDABOUT, EYNSHAM (NEIGHBOURING PARISH)

Outline application with means of access for a mixed-use Garden Village, comprising residential, retail, food and drink, health and community facilities, hotel, class B1, B2 and B8 employment uses, education provision, burial ground, public open space with sports pitches together with ancillary facilities, landscaping and associated infrastructure and works for Grosvenor Developments Ltd.

7.6 Wroslyn Road Safety concern – to discuss concerns raised by resident re road safety on Wroslyn Road near 163 (by sharp bend near Rose Cottage)

Concerns had been raised by a resident regarding some safety concerns near 163 Wroslyn Road, especially by the blind bend. As part of the planning application comments for the changes to 163 Wroslyn Road, the Parish Council had requested to have a white line (access protection marking) painted across the driveway of 165 and 167 Wroslyn Road. However, it was reported at the meeting that this request had to be made directly to Highways rather than as part of comments to WODC on a planning application. It was agreed to make the request directly to Highways and to ask for their comments on the fact that the changes to 163 also means a loss of a garage with therefore more cars forced to have to park on a dangerous stretch of road.

A query was also raised about the outcome of a double yellow lines survey that was carried out a while ago. The Clerk would respond to the resident to advise that double yellow lines were not possible but that the Traffic Calming Working Group were reviewing the whole of Wroslyn Road with a view to making improvements to safety at various points, and this blind bend was a known hazard.

Action: Clerk to respond to resident as above and to make request to Highways re white line painting.

7.7 WODC - Salt Cross Garden Village Area Action Plan (AAP) – submission for examination

Confirmation had been received from WODC that following a successful public consultation last autumn, WODC had formally submitted the Salt Cross Garden Village Area Action Plan (AAP) to the Planning Inspectorate (PINS) for independent examination, in accordance with Regulation 22 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012.

The submitted AAP and all other relevant documents had been made available on the Council's website at www.westoxon.gov.uk/gardenvillage.

The District Council's website would be updated as the examination progressed and more information became available, including the name of the appointed Planning Inspector and the anticipated dates of any hearing sessions. This was all duly noted.

7.8 Land ownership around Freeland – to discuss suggestion of keeping a list/register of landowners around Freeland for potential development/community woodland ideas.

A suggestion had been made about having a list of landowners for the fields and green areas around Freeland for when potential development arose or for possible community orchard/woodland ideas. Robert agreed to do this and pass to the Clerk, who would also pass to Russell Fisher from the Freeland Naturehood group for any projects they may wish to pursue.

Action: Robert to write list of landowners around Freeland and pass to Clerk.

8. REPORT OF COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCIL BUSINESS

In Merilyn's update she provided a brief update on the Gigaclear works that were due to commence in Freeland imminently. The work that had been carried out so far in Long Hanborough was felt to be of a high standard and it was hoped this would be the same for Freeland. A query was raised about whether something could be done about litter on the roadside and verges which seemed to have got worse over the lockdown period. Merilyn agreed to take this forward. She also provided an update regarding a Hanborough Tree project where permission from Blenheim had been granted to plant trees on parts of their land.

In Alaa's update he firstly noted that the Inspired Villages proposals. was awaiting a decision from WODC.

Alaa had also written an article for the Grapevine to explain the tax base calculation. As reported last month WODC had an unchanged programme of spending and support as it now had a balanced budget, and this was due to be reviewed again at the Cabinet meeting and then at the full Council meeting on 24th February with a view to formally approving the budget.

Alaa also provided an update about land that Blenheim were willing to provide for use as allotments. A few meetings and a site visit on the field opposite the school had been held between Blenheim and the Allotment Association to discuss where the allotments could be located. No final decision had been reached as some areas of this field were prone to flooding. Alaa had also raised the idea of a community woodland/orchard with Blenheim but they were keen to make some progress with the allotment site before looking at the woodland/orchard idea.

With regards to the litter problem, this had been raised with officers but the contractors (Ubico) were currently prioritising bins so were not able to go out and clear verges and lanes. This could possibly be reviewed once the Covid restrictions were eased. It was also worth looking at the behavioural science report that Amy had circulated regarding changing people's behaviour with regards to littering.

Liam's update provided an update on the OCC budget that had now been set. Following a Government bail out for local councils, there would be no cuts to front line services.

With regards to the Covid vaccine roll out, out of 110 care homes in the County, 90% of residents and staff had been vaccinated. The speed at which the vaccine had been rolled out by the NHS was impressive and over 65s were now being invited to book an appointment to receive their vaccine. The UK Prime Minister was also due to give a speech the following week to advise how the country was going to ease out of lockdown.

Liam also gave a brief update on the work on the A40 that had now officially started as part of a long-term project to improve this stretch of road. Works to improve the Wolvercote roundabout would be completed initially, then the dual carriageway work and then the Park and Ride at Eynsham.

Wroslyn Road was due to be closed on the 18th and 19th Feb for some resurfacing work, and the local elections would also be going ahead on 6th May.

Merilyn, Alaa and Liam were all thanked for their updates and Merilyn left the meeting at 8.35pm, and Alaa and Liam both left the meeting at 9.50pm.

9. FINANCIAL MATTERS

9.1 Presentation of the monthly financial report

The monthly financial report was presented to the Council showing details of the bank balance at 31st January 2021 and the receipts and payments received or paid out in the last month. The bank statement was checked as agreeing with the figures on the finance sheet and would be signed by Matthew or Bill outside of the meeting.

9.2 Approval of invoices for payment

The Council approved invoices for payment as listed on the invoices for payment sheet distributed with the meeting. These invoices would all be paid by BACS online via the bank account with Unity Trust. Council therefore **resolved** to approve all of the following invoices for payment:

The following invoices are requested to be approved for payment:			
BACS Ref Number	To whom paid	Details	Amount (£)
BACS 019	Starboard Systems Ltd	Scribe accounts software - annual licence fee	504.00
BACS 020	Lisa Smith	Clerk's salary - February	949.82
BACS 021	AC Jackson Ltd	Final payment for shed (doors)	2,772.00
BACS 022	Mary Ann Canning	Refund expenses - Parish Online mapping	118.80
		Total:	4,344.62
Plus:	New NEST pension payment of £33.09 (employee & employer contributions). The amount of £18.91 has been deducted from Clerk's salary for February salary payment.		

9.3 To note contents of Freeland Hall Management Committee Annual Accounts

The annual accounts of Freeland Hall Management Committee had been circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting. The contents of the accounts were duly noted, and no queries were raised.

9.4 Any other financial business – None.

10. PARISH COUNCIL STANDING ITEMS

10.1 Play areas/Playing Field – to receive any reports:

10.1.1 Play area reports – to update on trampoline tile gluing; damage to cricket sight screens; possible drug abuse on playing field or in village hall car park.

The Chairman had the pink book and would pass it to Mary Ann. There were no problems to report. The trampoline tile would be done in the Spring when the weather would be much drier, and the tile could be glued successfully. It had been reported that some damage to one of the cricket sight-screens had occurred, but it was not clear if it was due to vandalism or wind damage. A report had also been received about possible drug use by a group of youths in the village hall car park and on the playing field. The details had been reported to the police.

10.1.2 New storage building on field – to update on progress of new shed, and to note concerns from resident re drainage on field by shed, water entering resident's property and to discuss path reinstatement.

Robert gave an update. The doors had now been fitted and Robert had the keys, some of which had been passed to the Clerk. The internal cladding would be installed shortly. The drainage around the shed had not yet been completed as the area had become waterlogged with all the recent rainfall. Robert had met with one of the residents who had raised concerns about the drainage so that they could see what was being done. The area around the perimeter of the shed had been dug and pipes laid that connected onto the drain in Blenheim Lane, plus a soakaway had been installed by the footpath. There were also old land drains on the field although it was impossible to know where these were located. Now that the pipework was connected to Blenheim Lane, it was hoped this would help the water to drain off the field through the pipes gradually rather than it pouring rapidly off the field in one go. It was felt that the shed should also provide some protection for the property as a barrier to hold the water back so it can drain through the soakaway and pipework. It was also noted that it was in the resident's interest to keep the drain in Blenheim Lane clear of leaves and debris and this had been discussed with the resident.

Councillors passed on their thanks to Robert for all the work he had done so far with the drainage which Council felt was a good system. Thanks were also passed to Mary Ann for the colours chosen for the shed which blended in nicely with the surroundings.

Action: Robert to install cladding and to complete drainage work, arrange work on path, and gateway/landscaping.

10.1.4 Water for cricket square – to update on progress with adding a water supply to the new storage shed and to discuss where stop tap will be located.

The quote from Thames Water had been paid and the Council now needed to arrange to have the pipework installed before they could make the connection. Robert agreed to speak to a local plumber to see if they were able to sign off the pipework before the connection to Thames Water was arranged.

Action: Robert to speak to local plumber re pipework.

10.1.5 Play equipment replacement for wooden climber – to receive an update from working group.

Mary Ann and the Clerk had met with a small working group of parents to gain some ideas and feedback as to preferred pieces of equipment to replace the wooden climber.

Various ideas were put forward including spring rockers, a small trampette, balance beams, a sand pit and sensory items. Mary Ann and the Clerk would investigate costs and any hygiene implications for the sand pit and would report back next meeting.

Action: Mary Ann and Clerk to investigate costs and hygiene implications for sand pit as above.

10.1.7 Northern boundary of playing field (including area behind zip wire) – to receive an update on tidying work due to be carried out and to discuss how to develop this area going forward.

It was reported that the tidying up work of this area was due to be carried out on Friday that week.

Action: Robert to liaise with Steve Sparrowhawk re above work.

10.2 Village Highway Matters – to receive any reports: uncontrolled dog/ dog's mess.

Reports had been received about an uncontrolled dog that had jumped up at residents and dog's mess left on grass verges. The Clerk had contacted who she thought was the owner of the uncontrolled dog and would place a reminder in the Grapevine about clearing up after dogs.

10.2.1 Traffic calming measures – to receive an update from Traffic Calming Working Group, including discussing and agreeing when to carry out the traffic survey, public consultation, 20mph zones and deterring HGVs using Pigeon House Lane, and to note contents of behavioural science report. Also, to receive an update on Eynsham Parish Council experience.

The Traffic Calming Group had met on 27th January and the notes from this meeting had been circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting. It had been reported at that meeting that OCC may be able to assist with consultancy work to get a design prepared of possible ideas for the village to help with traffic calming and speeding. A number of behavioural science reports had been circulated by Amy to the group which were very helpful and looked at ways to change people's behaviour by using an approach called EAST – in order to find a way to change people's behaviour it had to be Easy, Attractive, Social and Timely. It was important to have both physical changes to the road layouts and psychological changes and to ensure residents were involved in the process as a lot of speeding was found to be carried out by our own residents! A village consultation exercise was also required, and it was noted this was something that would require specialist help from a consultant. Mary Ann was also going to be drawing up a large-scale village plan to look at critical points in the village.

The important first step was to carry out a traffic survey in the village to collect data of how much speeding was present in Freeland and where the critical points were which could then be addressed. Liam agreed to ask Highways about how many traffic boxes would be required and where they could be located in the village with a view to carrying out the survey in late March/early April. Each traffic survey box would cost around £200, Council approved to have the survey carried out in late March/early April. It was also noted that it would be worth looking at other village consultations carried out and any data available from the AA/RAC about accidents and speeding, especially from Speed Awareness Courses.

Action: Liam to liaise with Highways re traffic survey being carried out late March/early April, Traffic Calming Working Group to look at consultant fees and collating any accident/speeding data as above and Mary Ann to draw up large scale village plan.

10.2.2 Overgrown hedge in Broadmarsh Lane – to discuss quotes received for work to either trim back or remove laurel hedge on unregistered land in Broadmarsh Lane.

A quote had been received to reduce this hedge by 50%, but it was noted that a second quote was required to see how much it would cost to remove the hedge or cut it down to ground level. The Clerk would speak to the contractor to obtain a further quote.

Action: Clerk to contact contractor re quote as above.

10.2.3 Preschool sign – to discuss a request to place a permanent sign for the Preschool by the phone box on corner of Parklands.

The Parish Council had been approached by the Chair of the Preschool Committee, to ask if they could install a permanent sign for Preschool by the phone box on the corner of Parklands. They had thought about it going somewhere near the school sign, within the school grounds, on the corner of Parklands (they have spoken to the school about this). The only slight problem is that there are trees by the school sign, which would probably hide the sign when they are in leaf.

The style of sign being considered was shown to the Councillors with the size of the sign likely to be 100cm x 75cm. It would have metal posts and be installed in the ground by the supplier. After a brief discussion, Council were happy to approve this request.

10.2.4 Blenheim Lane road surface – to note concerns raised by resident regarding current state of road surface at bottom end of lane and to discuss any action required.

A resident had also raised concerns about the deteriorating road surface at the bottom end of Blenheim Lane and asked the Council to take some action. It was agreed the Clerk would report this on the Fix my Street website with some photos to see if some action could be taken. It was also noted that it would be advantageous for the resident also to report this matter to Fix my Street.

Action: Clerk to report road surface on Fix my Street as above.

10.3 Footpath & Bridleway matters/Footpath Book – to receive any reports: None.

Robert had the book and although the rota was complete for this year, he would dig out the book and return to the Clerk.

Action: Robert to return footpath book to Clerk.

10.4 Garden of Remembrance – to receive any reports:

No reports had been received.

10.4.1 To receive an update on progress of maintenance work required at the GOR and on the GOR gates, and to update on production of brochure.

Basic maintenance had been carried out and Tim was going to review it again shortly.

As reported last month the GOR gates needed some attention, mainly painting and the top bar was rotten although still felt to be ok. It was agreed that replacing the gates was not a priority at the moment and Tim was happy to carry out some repair work to the current gate with wood filler and paint. Mary Ann and the Clerk were working on getting the brochure for the GOR ready.

Action: Tim to continue with various jobs at GOR, and carry out repair work to gates

10.5 Freeland Hall Management Committee – to receive any reports

There was nothing much to report as the Hall was currently closed due to the third Covid-19 lockdown regulations. The AGM had been deferred for a month. Thanks were passed to Dorothy Sharpe for keeping on top of the finances and to Brian Wildblood for auditing the books.

10.6 Amenity Area – to approve quote and plan for planting and maintenance work to tidy up this area

Robert and Mary Ann were due to meet shortly to discuss the planting and Mary Ann would forward the planting plan to the Clerk. It was suggested contacting the Freeland Nature Recovery Group as this was something they make like to be involved in. This could be done by contacting Russell Fisher.

Action: Mary Ann and Robert to meet re planting and to contact Russell Fisher re involving Nature Recovery Group. Mary Ann to forward planting plan to Clerk.

11. CORRESPONDENCE – To discuss and agree any actions arising from:

(a) OALC January update – details had been emailed around.

(b) WODC Climate Action Day – to approve whether the PC wishes to take part in the Climate Action Day – details of this had been emailed around. After a brief discussion, Council approved to take part in the Climate Action Day and the Clerk would email WODC with the response.

Action: Clerk to email WODC with response to Climate Action Day.

(c) Census 2021 update – details had been emailed around and duly noted. The Census was due to take place in 2021.

(d) OALC – elections, face to face meetings briefing – details had been emailed around. Confirmation had been received that the local elections would in fact take place on 6th May as planned. Details had been forwarded to the Council which was duly noted. It was agreed to start publicising the elections in the Grapevine as a number of Councillors had already expressed their wish to not stand for re-election this year.

Action: Clerk to place note in Grapevine re PC elections.

Plus additional items received since meeting papers were sent out:

(e) London Oxford Airport & Brize Norton Airspace Consultation – confirmation had been received that the proposed changes to the airspace above Freeland had been rejected by the Civil Aviation Authority. The details had been emailed around.

(f) Oakland Close junction white line painting - to note response from Highways re white line painting around Oakland Close junction. Following the request to have white lines painted around the Oakland Close junction, Highways had confirmed that the cost for this would be £256 for both sides of the junction (the price would increase slightly after 1st April). After a brief discussion Council were happy to approve these costs and the Clerk would advise Highways accordingly.

Action: Clerk to approve work with Highways.

(g) Gigaclear works – details of works to install fibre broadband to premises which was due to commence from 15th Feb onwards had been received and circulated to the Council – Parklands and Wroslyn Road would be the first areas to be completed.

12. CIRCULATION

Due to the ongoing Coronavirus pandemic, no circulations were currently being circulated.

13. MEMORIAL TREES – to discuss and approve a proposal from the Gardening Club to plant wildflower seeds around the base of the memorial trees

The Parish Council had been approached by the Gardening Club for permission to plant wildflower seeds around some of the Memorial Trees (those not currently with plants around them). This would be part of a scheme organised by the Commonwealth War Graves Foundation who were organising a Wargrave week from 21st–28th May 2021 to display the work and the people who keep remembrance of our war dead. Further details of all of the events could be found at <https://www.cwgc.org/our-war-graves-your-history/war-graves-week/>.

In the build up to the week, one of the events is for people to join in a wildflower memorial and the Gardening Club had suggested planting them under the memorial trees.

Councillors were very supportive of this suggestion and gave their unanimous approval. It was also suggested that, at the same time as they planted the seeds, the Gardening Club might use their expertise to trim off the lower side branches that had grown out.

14. TO RECEIVE A MONTHLY UPDATE REGARDING FREELAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

The school were continuing to provide online learning for the children.

15. ANY OTHER BUSINESS – FOR PRELIMINARY DISCUSSION ONLY

None.

16. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

Until the regulations changed about public meetings, the next meeting of the Council would be held remotely via Zoom on **Monday 15th March 2021 at 7.30pm.**

There being no other business the meeting closed at 10.10pm.