

**Minutes of the Grateley Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2022 in the Grateley Village Hall at 7.00pm.**

Present: Cllr Mr K Smith – Chairman  
Cllr A Bettle-Shaffer  
Cllr Mr I Wingfield  
Cllr Mr A Bradford  
Richard Waterman – Parish Clerk  
Borough Councillor Mrs M Flood.  
Members of the Public – 6

Apologies: Cllr Mr D Atfield – Vice Chairman, Cllr Mr M Horne, Borough Councillor Mr D Coole and County Councillor Mr C Donnelly

**WELCOME.**

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**DECLARATION OF INTEREST.**

There were no Declarations of Interest recorded.

**MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING.**

The Chairman signed the amended minutes of the April Meeting and the minutes of the May meeting as a true record. Matters Arising from those minutes:

PLAY AREA – Cllr Mr D Atfield had reported that the questionnaire for the village is nearing completion. The questionnaire will be available on the website and in paper form.

HIGHWAYS – Issues discussed:

- The repairs to the hole on the bridge was done but is now breaking up.
- Potholes on Wallop Road and Monxton Road have been repaired but not to a high standard – The Parish Council were very disappointed with the service Highways are giving. Cllr Mrs M Flood will pass this on to County Councillor Mr C Donnelly.
- The tree roots at the top of Church Lane are starting to come through the road surface. This will be reported to Highways.
- Many of the 30MPH signs through the village are disappearing into the hedges. The Clerk will ask the Lengthsman to cut back the vegetation.

FOOTPATHS – The footpaths are clear and walkable.

SPEEDING – The Clerk did not have a delivery date for the Flashing Speed Sign. Speeding through the village and the reduction of the Speed Limit along Cholderton/Wallop Road was discussed. Hampshire County Council have on three occasions over the last 15 years have carried out speed surveys and reported that there is not a speeding problem. Cllr I Wingfield will try again and contact Mandy Ware at Hampshire County Council to revisit the installation of village gateways' and their possible locations.

BUS SHELTER – The working party have completed the outside and now have the inside to paint.

DOG BIN – The Clerk was asked to chase up Test Valley Borough Council on the siting of the new dog bin and the moving of the rubbish bin adjacent to the Bus Shelter in Streetway Road.

GRATELEY NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN – Cllr A Bettle-Shaffer Reported:

- A meeting was held on the 17<sup>th</sup> May to talk about a doing a Grateley Neighbourhood Development Plan. Representatives from TVBC attended and gave a presentation. Response was very positive with 11 residents offering to sit on the Steering Group.
- The Steering Group are to hold their first meeting on the 14<sup>th</sup> of June 2022.
- The Parish Council will need to apply to ordinance Survey for a licence to access maps.
- The Parish Council agreed to make a formal application to Test Valley Borough Council for Grateley being listed as a designated Neighbourhood area. Proposed by Cllr A Bettle-Shaffer and seconded by Cllr Mr K Smith.
- The Parish Council agreed to pay for the hire of the Hall for the NDP meetings.
- The Parish Council agreed to set aside £1,000 to held with the initial costs.
- Cllr A Bettle Shaffer reported that there are grants available to fund the NDP and these will be investigated.
- TVBC will give the Grateley NDP all the support they need to complete the task.

The Parish Council though this excellent news and very positive.

#### **PLANNING.**

22/01380/FULLN – Demolish exiting conservatory are erection of two storey extension including addition of obscure glazed dormer in side – The Gables, Rookery Close, Grateley – NO OBJECTION.

#### **FINANCE.**

##### **2021/2022 End of Year Accounts.**

CERTIFICATE OF EXEMPTION – AGAR 2021/2022

The Parish Council agreed to submit a Certificate of Exemption as the turnover was below £25,000. Proposed by Cllr Mr K Smith and seconded by Cllr A Bettle-Shaffer. All agreed.

##### **ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT 2021/2022**

The Clerk read out the Annual Governance Statement 2021/2022 ensuring that there is a sound system of internal control, including arrangements for the preparation of the Accounting Statement.

The Annual Governance Statement was approved by the Parish Council. Proposed by Cllr Mr K Smith and seconded by Cllr Mr A Bradford. All Agreed. The Chairman and the Clerk signed the relevant paperwork.

##### **ANNUAL ACCOUNTING STATEMENTS 2021/2022**

The Annual Accounting Statement 2021/2022 was approved by the Parish Council. Proposed by Cllr Mr K Smith and seconded by Cllr Mr I Wingfield. All agreed. The Chairman and Clerk signed the relevant paperwork.

#### **QUEENS PLATINUM JUBILEE.**

Cllr A Bettle-Shaffer reported that the Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations went very well and everyone who attended had a good time. Photographs taken at the event will be put on the Website.

Cllr A Bettle-Shaffer wished to thank Laura and the Committee for doing such a good job and the school for the use of the field.

### **CORRESPONDENCE.**

Cllr A Bettle-Shaffer reported that an enquiry has been received on using the Village Hall for Ballroom Dance Classes.

Over the last month the Website has received 251 Unique Visitors with the Parish Council Minutes being the most popular page.

### **BOROUGH COUNCILLOR MRS M FLOOD.**

Cllr Mrs M Flood reported that TVBC have commissioned 2 statues of Her Majesty the Queen for the Borough. A new 18 Hole Adventure Golf Range is planned for Charlton Lakes. Every second Sunday a seasonal Arts and Food event will be held in Andover High Street. Test Valley have a new Mayor – Cllr Alan Dowding. TVBC had announced some time ago that they intended plant 10,000 trees in the Borough, in fact planted they have planted 20,000.

Cllr Mrs M Flood urged the Parish Council to keep an eye out for the important changes TVBC are making to Refuse Collections throughout the Borough.

### **MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.**

Issues raised:

- An up-date on the Play Area – The Chairman hoped that there would be a full up-date at the July Meeting.
- Several 'near misses' at the school regarding parked cars at picking-up time. The Clerk urged residents to report such issues to the Police on 101. The school are aware of the problem with parking and regularly letter parents.

### **CLOSE OF THE MEETING.**

The Chairman thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.

### **DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING.**

5<sup>th</sup> July 2022 at 7pm in the Grateley Village Hall.

### **WEBSITE.**

[www.grateley.net](http://www.grateley.net)