

Grateley Parish Council

Up-date 1st March 2021.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – During the Covid-19 Pandemic.

Due to regulations, we are not allowed to meet in person and seem to have a problem with choosing a medium that we can all access to hold a meeting via the internet. Indications from the Government indicate that we should be able to meet in a group of 6 after April 12th, 2021. If we postpone our April meeting until the 13th and we could then meet in the village hall, with out members of the public. Under these rules we could meet in May and June and back to normal with members of the public in July.

As regards the March Meeting how do you wish to proceed? We could try holding a Zoom meeting on the 16th, giving time for a few practices, I am happy to register for Zoom and to host the meeting or each of you submitting a report via email distributed to all Parish Councillors.

UP-DATE.

FOOTPATHS – The footpaths are all walkable but very muddy.

HIGHWAYS AND POTHLES.

- Potholes are still reported to Highways as they appear.
- The area around a storm water gully in Campbell Close is breaking up, this was reported to HCC and it has now been marked out for repair.

PLAY AREA – Quotes for the new Play Equipment was put on hold during the recent lockdown. Now things are beginning to open again the three companies will be contacted.

DOG MESS

- Dog mess on Streetway Road continues to take place, including from Streetway Close to the Hampshire Gap and in the alleyway from Wallop Road to Locke Close. This has again been reported to TVBC.
- Dog Mess on the Locke Close Field is also a problem. This has been reported to TVBC. Noel Preece the TVBC Green Space Officer has confirmed that he will be visiting the site this week and action will be taken.

PLANNING.

20/03200/LBWN – Removal of modern brick insert to fireplace to restore original fireplace opening, raising of fireplace lintel bricks to allow sufficient clearance for installation of cooker into fireplace opening, re-opening of kitchen doorway by removal of single skin brick in-fill, to improve access between two sections of the house, re-opening of kitchen doorway to larder, replacement of tiled kitchen floor, removal of UVPC conservatory and replacement of aluminium patio doors, and replacement of kitchen window – The Old Farm House, High Street, Grateley.

21/00469/TREEN – Fell two Horse Chestnut Trees – The Grange, Pond Lane.

VILLAGE HALL

Due to Covid-19 Rules the Village Hall is still shut. It is hoped that we can re-open after the 21st of June 2021.

SSE are installing a new Smart Meter on the 17th of March 2021. I requested that SSE looked at the old meter as we were still getting large bills and the hall is not being used. It turned out that the meter was faulty. We now must negotiate for a part refund once the new meter has been fitted and average consumption is recorded.

The Kitchen project still needs finishing, and the refurbishment of the toilets needs to be agreed. We now have the 21st of June as a deadline for works to be completed so we are ready to open.

Wessex Fire and Security have visited the Village Hall to quote for a basic fire alarm.

FINANCE

Payments made from April 2020 to March 2021

R.N. Waterman	Administration	£2,640.00
Flashing Speed Sign	Maintenance	£ 483.70
Insurance		£ 553.87
Web Site	Hosting Fee	£ 134.00
		<u>£3,811.57</u>

Bank Account Balance

The Bank Account balance as of the 1st of March 2021 is £21,100.28.