

HERMITAGE PARISH COUNCIL
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**Members of Hermitage Parish Council are summoned to attend a
Virtual meeting of Hermitage Parish Council**

Thursday 10 December 2020 at 7.30pm

AGENDA

1 Public participation

This will be a virtual meeting which the public is welcome to observe by providing the Clerk with their email address. Anyone wishing to speak in the open forum should let the clerk know by 6pm 08 December to arrange participation. Members of the public may not contribute to the meeting thereafter.

2 Apologies for absence

3 Minutes of the Parish Council planning meeting held on 19 November to be agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman

4 Declarations of interest

5 Actions agreed and matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting not referred to elsewhere

6 The report of the District Councillors

7 Planning

7.1 New applications:

20/02118/HOUSE, 29 Fletton Link, Hermitage, RG18 9WR. Retrospective application for a wooden framed free standing structure at the side of the existing dwelling house, to become a permanent structure. The structure will be 3.25m to the top of the slate roof, the width will be 5.15m and length will be 3.15m.

20/02777/House, The Annexe at Crossways House, Marlston Road, Hermitage, RG18 9SU.

Proposed front extension, false pitched roof to "hide" flat roof and new dormer.

7.2 Decision notices:

20/02211/ADV, Lawrence Building Newbury Road Hermitage Thatcham RG18 9TD. 1x internally illuminated logo sign 1x set of non- illuminated perspex letters 1x internally illuminated totem sign and vinyl window treatments. Approved.

7.3 Neighbourhood Development Plan: to receive report

8 Finance and report of Responsible Finance Officer

8.1 Report of Financial Officer

8.2 Receipts and payments for consideration December 2020

8.2.1 Sunshine Commercial Services Ltd monthly charge £ 251.70

8.2.2 Grass maintenance/Contractor £ 650.00

8.2.3 Cost of administration £ 687.24

Salary

8.2.4 Clerk expenses, stationery £ 66.22

8.2.5 Sue Russell, newsletter fliers £ 80.00

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8.2.6 Low Carbon Products Ltd, Eling Way benches	£ 974.40
Total	£ 2,709.56

8.3 Direct Debits previously approved:	
1&1 Ionas (web site) monthly payment	£5.99
8.4 VAT Return 2019-2020; £2,443.74	

9 Burial ground

9.1 Proposed burial ground fees 2021-23: to receive and consider

10 Highways

- 10.1 Removal of bus shelter: to agree Volker Highways quotation
- 10.2 Replacement of bus shelter: to consider preferred style to inform quotation requests if decision made to replace. (See attached Boxford design.)
- 10.3 Speed management: consider report and recommendations from Cllr Purchase
- 10.4 Active Travel Route (ATR) to Newbury: consideration of requesting of WBC that it be included in Government Covid travel money or CIL project money.

11 Environment

Council to receive verbal reports or updates on the following

- 11.1 Playgrounds
 - 11.1.1 Councillor inspection reports
 - 11.1.2 Annual inspection report from Wicksteed
- 11.2 Furze Hill
 - 11.2.1 Recreation Ground
 - 11.2.2 Wildlife areas
- 11.3 Other open spaces: Dines Way, Lipscomb Close, Charlotte Green
- 11.4 Defibrillator check

12 Other matters

Council to receive verbal reports or updates on the following

- 12.1 Village Hall
- 12.2 Hermitage Support Group: Covid 19
- 12.3 Hermitage Green

13 Correspondence received since the last meeting not referred to elsewhere

- West Berkshire Council: Council supports campaigns to wrap up Christmas for those in need
- West Berkshire Council: Additional Restrictions Grant (ARG) scheme launched for West Berkshire businesses
- West Berkshire Council: A thank you letter to school staff
- West Berkshire Council: heads up on new grant scheme and steps against fraud
- West Berkshire Council: Post-lockdown restrictions in West Berkshire (High tier)
- West Berkshire Council: West Berkshire Council to launch £279k COVID Winter Grant Scheme for residents
- West Berkshire Council to receive £495,000 to enhance cycling and walking infrastructure following bid to Department of Transport
- West Berkshire Council: COVID Winter Grant Scheme and Location Restrictions update
- West Berkshire Council: Free parking days in West Berkshire Council's public car parks this December
- West Berkshire Council: announces £500k Community Infrastructure Levy fund now open for Bids
- Police & Crime Bulletin November 2020 – 260 additional police officers; Operation Riddler; supporting victims of domestic abuse; and more...

West Berkshire Lottery players have chance to win an Entertainment Bundle in national draw
West Berkshire Libraries to welcome back visitors from 5 December

- 14 Reports from Parish Council representatives who have attended meetings of outside bodies on behalf of the council**
- 15 Items to be raised by Councillors (information only)**
- 16 Any other items which the Chairman decides are urgent (information only)**
- 17 Date of the next meeting:**
Thursday 21 January at 7.30pm. This will be a virtual meeting.

Nicky Pierce
Parish Clerk
4th December 2020
