

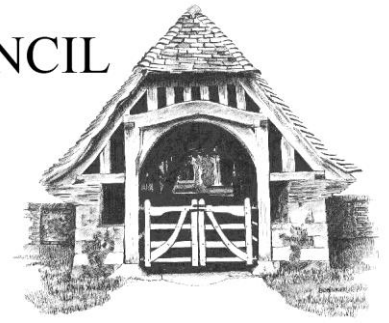
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Minutes of a Virtual Meeting of Waltham St Lawrence Parish Council held on Tuesday 6th October 2020.

Present: Mike Kay (Chairman), Mark Hipgrave (Vice Chairman), Clive Scott-Hopkins, Paul Mason, Herman Bleekendaal, Graham Pobjoy, Rupe Patel, MJ Streater (Clerk). Also present: 7 members of the public, Cllr Hunt and Cllr Johnson

	<p>Public Question Time:</p> <p>A member of the public raised the issue of the unannounced arrival of 22 vehicles in the village on a Saturday. The Garage have secured a contract to MOT vehicles for Zip Cars. This presents a number of issues: (not withstanding the fact that the Parish Council would want to support businesses operating in a responsible and considerate way in the village)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Volume of vehicles in a rural environment obstructing the village. • The drivers delivering the vehicles tended to be non-English speaking thus were unable to explain their presence. (This resulted in a call to log the issue with the Police). • Exacerbates an existing problem of parking in the village. In addition, vehicles, although parked on the forecourt of the garage premises, parked in such a way that the pavement was obstructed. • Temporary access has been granted to an existing piece of land behind Baskerville House. The owner of the access is being cooperative to minimise the effect on the parking on The Street issue • The licensing conditions appropriate to the garage. • Allowable use for the land behind Baskerville House, which itself subject to an enforcement notice. <p>The enforcement issues within the village are already unclear. Cllr Hunt committed to discuss the existing enforcement matters with RBWM. This is to establish whether after 6 weeks the enforcement enquiry automatically gets wiped off the system which has been quoted to Herman Bleekendaal. Enforcement issues which have not been followed up include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Land behind Baskerville House. (question remains whether the enforcement applies to the land or the owner) It has been reported that the land has very recently been purchased by the owner of the Garage site (not the tenants). The land is being investigated regarding an historical pond filled in by a previous owner. • Trees cut down in Andrews Yard prior to a planning application. • Licence conditions re The Shurlock Inn Garage. <p>Meanwhile dialogue is to continue with the garage to ensure vehicle deliveries are more closely aligned to MOT opening times and operational capability.</p> <p>A member of the public raised the issue of RBWM weed killing along the pavements on The Street in light of the fact that RBWM made a statement regarding their desire to support environmentalism. The Chairman suggested as the weedkilling reported was on hardstanding it was likely that this was to prevent damage to the pavement and road surface but committed the Parish Council to establish the policy RBWM operate regarding pavement weed control.</p>	<p>Cllr Hunt</p> <p>Herman Bleekendaal</p> <p>Clerk</p>
FC/77/10/2020	Apologies: There were none	
FC/78/10/2020	Minutes: Minutes of the 8 th September 2020 meeting were approved by the Council and signed by the Chairman.	Clerk
FC/79/10/2020	Declaration of Interests: The Chairman declared an interest in the planning application for The Gables. The Chairman and Vice Chairman declared an interest in the tree application for 4 Church Farm Cottages. Herman Bleekendaal expressed an interest in the tree application for South Lodge	

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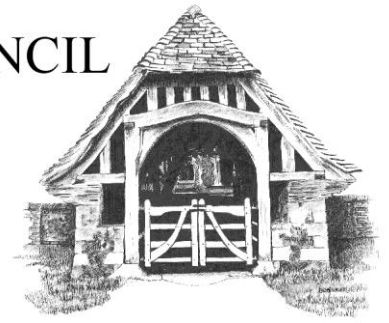
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FC/80/10/2020	<p>Significant Matters Arising from the January Minutes: Shurlock Road Nature Reserve, Shurlock Road, WSL. All appears to be kept neatly and well cut and is being well used by residents. No further developments regarding the lease, perhaps unsurprising in the current COVID environment. It is believed that the car park is occasionally used for commuter car sharing. Although the facility exists to lock the car park overnight it is not planned to do so unless vehicles left overnight becomes a problem. A watching eye to be kept.</p>	All
FC/81/10/2020	<p>Planning Applications</p>	
	<p>Reference 20/02318/REM Address Land And Stables At 4 Fourcroft Cottages Shurlock Road Waltham St Lawrence Reading Proposal Reserved matters pursuant to outline planning permission 19/00113/OUT for outline application for a replacement equestrian building with all matters reserved. Parish Council Comments: No Comment.</p>	Clerk
	<p>Reference 20/02264/CONDIT Address Land And Stables At 4 Fourcroft Cottages Shurlock Road Waltham St Lawrence Reading Proposal Details required by condition 4 (external materials) 5 (vehicle parking and turning) 7 (animal waste) 10 (landscaping) of planning permission 19/00113 for outline application for a replacement equestrian building with all matters reserved. Parish Council Comments: No Comment.</p>	Clerk
	<p>Reference 20/02360/CPD Address Willow Cottage Shurlock Road Waltham St Lawrence Reading RG10 0HN Proposal Certificate of lawfulness to determine whether the proposed single storey rear extension is lawful. Parish Council Comments: No Comment.</p>	Clerk
	<p>Reference 20/01972/PDXL Address Glebe Farm Cottage The Straight Mile Shurlock Row Reading RG10 0QP Proposal Single storey side/rear extension no greater than 2.3m in depth, 3.5m high with an eaves height of 3m. Parish Council Comments: The Parish Council would like to point out that although this application is submitted under 'permitted development'. The property has been extended several times and therefore this proposal may conflict with GB2.</p>	Clerk
	<p>Reference 20/02462/FULL Address Bellman Hanger Shurlock Row Reading RG10 0PL Proposal Erection of 14 dwellings with associated parking and landscaping and the retention of the existing access road following the demolition of the existing buildings, warehouse, external storage areas and hardstanding. Parish Council Comments: The Parish Council to request a delay in posting comments until after the next meeting (10th November) and an EGM to canvass residents' comments. Cllr Johnson and Cllr Hunt were asked to attend. Meeting will be online Tuesday 3rd November 7pm. Please contact the Clerk for joining details.</p>	Clerk
	<p>The Chairman left the discussion. Reference 20/02490/CPD Address The Gables Halls Lane Waltham St Lawrence Reading RG10 0JB Proposal Certificate of lawfulness to determine whether the proposed detached outbuilding ancillary to the main dwelling is lawful. Parish Council Comments: Noted</p>	Clerk

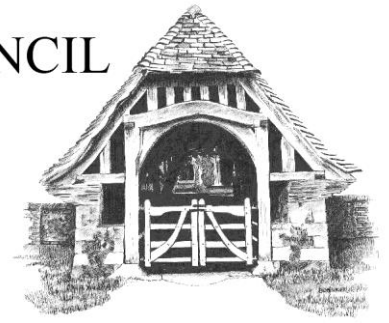
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<p>FC/82/10/2020</p>	<p>Trees in a Conservation Area: Mark Hipgrave left the discussion. Reference 20/02535/TCA Address 4 Church Farm Cottages Halls Lane Waltham St Lawrence Reading RG10 OJG Proposal Sycamore - Fell. Parish Council Comments: No Objection subject to the Arboricultural Officer report. The Chairman and Mark Hipgrave re-joined the discussion. Herman Bleekendaal left the discussion. Reference 20/02580/TCA Address South Lodge Manor Farm Manor Drive Shurlock Row Reading RG10 OPX Proposal(T2) Gingko - fell. Parish Council Comments: No Objection subject to the Arboricultural Officer report. Herman Bleekendaal re-joined the discussion.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
<p>FC/83/10/2020</p>	<p>Plans that have arrived in the last couple of days: There were none.</p>	
<p>FC/84/10/2020</p>	<p>Other Planning Matters: Reference 20/02609/CONDIT Address Zacara Polo Ground Martins Lane Shurlock Row Reading RG10 OPP Proposal Details required by condition 5 (external walls materials) of planning permission 19/03455/OUT for outline application for a replacement equestrian building with all matters reserved. Parish Council Comments: No Comment. Reference 20/02610/REM Address Zacara Polo Ground Martins Lane Shurlock Row Reading RG10 OPP Proposal Reserved matters pursuant to outline planning permission 19/03455/OUT for outline application for a replacement equestrian building with all matters reserved. Parish Council Comments: No Comment.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
<p>FC/85/10/2020</p>	<p>Enforcement Notices and Appeals: Andrews Yard. The lack of response by RBWM to unauthorised tree felling to be investigated by Cllr Hunt Land behind Baskerville House. Detailed above Cllr Hunt to investigate Beenhams Farmhouse: Ongoing Bellman Hanger. Details above. EGM 3rd November online. Panel date likely 16th December. Pool Lane: Enforcement Team believe that the land is correctly being used for grazing, there is still concern regarding the hardcore deposited and the siting of a mobile property being used as storage (not accommodation), this is still under investigation by RBWM enforcement.</p>	<p>Cllr Hunt</p> <p>Cllr Hunt</p>
<p>FC/86/10/2020</p>	<p>Finance: Cheque £40.00 to Information Commission re GDPR adherence was approved and signed by the Chairman. Online payments £2811.30 (Remembrance Garden maintenance, Countrywide x2, Accordis Retainer, Verge replanting Crockfords Copse, Defib Pads, Clerk Salary} £2,811.30 were approved and signed by the Chairman. Receipts of £60 - Goodway Headstone Plot 35 were noted.</p>	<p>Clerk</p>
<p>FC/87/10/2020</p>	<p>Reports from Representatives: Report from the Clerk:</p>	

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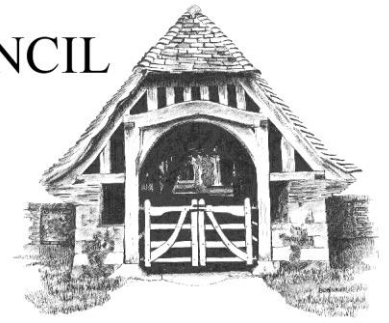
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	<p>Borough Local Plan: Briefings 10th/19th Nov on RBWM YouTube channel. Further consultation likely pre- Christmas. Outcome unlikely before Spring 2021. Clerk to monitor.</p> <p>Local Clerks and Chairmans' meeting: Well attended including Clerk. Collaborative approach to be adopted if financial situation at RBWM continues and devolution of powers is required. Cllr Hunt advised there is an Extraordinary Full Council Meeting re Finance 14th Oct at 6.15 viewable on the YouTube Channel.</p> <p>All Councillors requested to consider Budget requirements for 2021/2022 and submit ideas/proposals to The Chairman.</p> <p>Need to consider meeting dates for 2021 – Councillors to be prepared to review diaries. Decision at next meeting.</p> <p>Communications: Nothing other than publicising this meeting and the Bellman Hanger EGM</p> <p>Highways and Speed Limits:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Speeding campaigns have been delayed everywhere until further volunteers can be recruited by TVP. Councillors were encouraged to re-read the correspondence from Graham Pobjoy and Rupe Patel circulated a few months ago which is informative. <p>Footpaths and Bridleways: Still awaiting response from Sharon Wootton PROW Officer re fallen trees, Herman Bleekendaal to follow up.</p> <p>Parish Maintenance: First Dog Poo bin is sited in Shurlock Row, second to be placed w/c 5.10.2020</p> <p>Burial Ground: Quote still awaited for hedges and trees. Rupe Patel requested Shottesbrooke Estate be requested to trim their hedge adjacent to the Burial Ground.</p> <p>Neville Close Triangle Trees: Carry forward</p> <p>Capital Projects: Mick's Bench has been sited next to the Pound and has received very positive comments from residents. This was funded from donations made in memory of Mick Hitchman.</p> <p>Shurlock Row Pond: There are some dead trees that require felling. If a planning application is required, this can be done at no cost. Clearing of the pond if required should be done by volunteers if possible. The issue of knotweed needs to be investigated as it requires specific disposal.</p> <p>Ditches and Allotments: A flood has been reported at the entrance to Bluey's Farm due to blocked ditches; the resident is raising the issue with RBWM.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>All</p> <p>All</p> <p>All</p> <p>Herman Bleekendaal</p> <p>Paul Mason</p> <p>Herman Bleekendaal</p>
FC/88/10/2020	<p>Correspondence: A resident has questioned whether there is any intention to make the Nature Reserve accessible for disabled ie wheelchair access. Unfortunately, the nature of the Reserve prevents this beyond the existing hard standing. Clerk to respond.</p> <p>A resident has questioned whether plant screening was a condition of the School Canteen extension. Mark Hipgrave to investigate the conditions stipulated.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Mark Hipgrave</p>
FC/89/10/2020	<p>Meetings attended by Councillors: Reported above.</p>	
	<p>AOB: Herman Bleekendaal requested that some form of festive decoration be considered for the Shurlock Row Pond area. Christmas Tree with coloured decoration could be a possibility but the lack of power to the pond area restricted festive lights. Solar powered lighting to be considered. Herman Bleekendaal to investigate.</p>	<p>Herman Bleekendaal</p>
FC/90/10/2020	<p>Date of Next Site Visits: 9am Saturday 7th November 2020</p> <p>Date of Next Meetings: Virtual EGM Tuesday 3rd November 2020. Virtual Meeting Tuesday 10th November 2020. (Please contact the Clerk to join)</p>	
	<p>The meeting closed at 9.04 pm.</p>	