Filkins and Broughton Poggs Parish Council

	Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council on 22nd January 2020 at 7.30 pm at The Village Hall, Filkins	
	Present Cllr Irwin-Singer (Chairman), Cllr Robbins, Cllr Ford, Cllr N Walsh, Cllr Tridgell, Cllr Jones Members of Public: L Bennett	
54/20	54.1 District & County Councillors Report None	
55/20	55.1 Apologies for Absence None	
56/20	56.1 Declaration of Personal, Prejudicial and Pecuniary Interests None	
57/20	57.1 Adjournment for Public Participation None	
58/20	Minutes 58.1 Minutes of the meeting 29th August 2019 were accepted and signed. 58.2 Matters arising: 58.2.1 Playground offers of help- Cllr Jones & Robbins will contact them. It may be that the playground emerges as a project from the CLP so can be taken forward then. The hope is a playground committee or club similar to the swimming pool could be established. Cllr Jones has had the feet made for the posts he and Cllr Robbins will fit them with Matt Simpson. The outer boxes also need attention. 58.2.2 Noticeboards – Cllr Jones has two new boards being made. The positioning of the board at Bulls Close will need to be looked at so the wheelie bins are not in the way. Cllr Tridgell entered the meeting.	
59/20	External Liaison 59.1 CLP- there will be an update in the newsletter and there is a section on the website. Meetings are on 2nd Wednesday of the month. Cllr R Munro from Alvescot visited the last meeting and gave some background on their experience. They discussed communication and approaching residents. The next meeting is focused on projects and how to work ahead and approach residents. Members of the Steering Committee are Emma Keating, Annika Hansen, Colin Daniels, Moira Swann, Lee Bennett, Alexis Thompson, Ena Constable, Craig Johnson, Rachel Avery. Parish Council reps are Julie Tridgell and Kym Ford. 59.2 Delay to Broughton Poggs Street Signage – James Wright has told us there is a delay in the signage as there is more urgent work ahead of ours. There is nothing we can do to speed this up. Hazells Lane sign will be erected 1st week of February by Matt Simpson. 59.3 Cllr Ford attended the meeting. There was not much that related to Filkins & Broughton Poggs. There are 21 RAF families resident in Little Rissington that will be moving back to Carterton – there are issues locally with flooding and run off. The traffic issues were raised once again.	
60/20	Planning & Cemetery 60.1 19/01696/01974 Demarca – approved 60.2 19/02674/02657 Pear Tree Cottage – approved 60.3 19/02790/HHD Millers Cottage approved 60.4 19/02893/HHD The Bakehouse approved	

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	60.5 19/03123/FUL Peartree Farm – the Parish Council objected to the oak boarding, roof slates and wooden fence around the perimeter. These have now been replaced with materials as per the original application and we were asked if the objection could now be removed. The plans issued do not show the whole site – the access to the farm is not shown fully and it is not clear if the entrance is blocked as per the original application, so farm traffic uses the access over the allotments. Clerk will query this with WODC Planning. We will remove our objection to materials when we have clarification on the entrance. 60.6 WODC have made changes to the way applications are handled which means we will have even less influence on decisions. If we wish to object to an application, we now have to contact our District Councillor so they can ensure it is taken to the committee. 60.7 Cemetery- Inscription for D Banham approved. 60.8 Cemetery Trees- Margaret Hambidge has asked if we are doing anything about the trees. Cllr Jones will obtain a quote for trimming the trees, renewing the gravel path and planting a hedge along the wall.	
61/20	Finance 60.1 Clerk asked permission to book a training day with OALC for Audit training. This was approved. 60.2 List of cheques paid and account balances was distributed to the Council. Cheques were approved and signed. 60.3 Clerk confirmed that the Charity Commission finance report had been submitted. 60.4 Clerk has been to Barclays Bank as there has been an error by Barclays on the way the mandate has been set up. The forms to correct this were signed. 60.5 request for a donation was received from Volunteer Link Up It was agreed £50 would be given.	
62/20	Groundsman Cllrs Robbins and Jones will meet with the two applicants and provide a work schedule and the rates of pay expected. They will then send a proposal to Councillors with a quote from each and one from a contractor for the March meeting. Cllr Walsh will contact the Gardening Club and inform them that we will let them know as soon as a Groundsman is appointed.	
63/20	Village Matters 63.1 VE Day Celebrations- These will take place on 8th May 2020 and it is hoped there will be something on from lunchtime onwards organised by all organisations in the village. Cllrs Robbins and Ford and co-ordinating the events. There is a Swing Band booked for the evening, a bell ring at 3pm. St Filica will organise a road closure for the day. The Parish Council agreed to allow £300 to pay for any shortfall in the events. Cllr Jones and Walsh suggested business were approached to donate towards the events. 63.2 There will be a temporary road closure between 16th and 20th March 2020 on the A361 underpass while road patching takes place. This will be displayed on the notice boards and website. 63.3 Cllr Irwin-Singer has chased WODC for a 3rd time regarding the ramp at the end of the footpath at The Gassons. Each time they promise to come and inspect- he will keep chasing them. 63.4 Replacement of old street light in Hazells Lane. The quote for the new light is £450 plus VAT. Residents of Hazells Lane have asked to update their light and are to donate towards the cost. This was agreed. Clerk will contact David Page. 63.5 Cllr Irwin Singer attended the AGM for the Village Shop there was a surplus this year. The shop committee were congratulated. They have also painted inside. 63.6 There has been a change of personnel on the Traffic group as Julian Alder is moving.	

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64/20	EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC The Committee is asked to consider passing the following resolution: "That under Section 50A(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 3 and 6 of Part 1 of Schedule 7A of the Act." This was agreed. Item Contractors quotes for Village Centre works will be taken as a confidential item. The Parish Council both as Councillors and Village Centre Trustees agreed with RFO that after all the time spent in consulting about improvements, obtaining drawings and then building estimates the figures provided were far in excess of what would be reasonable expenditure . The decision was to try and proceed with a more modest plan to install new toilets.	
65/20	Next Meetings will be held on 23rd March 2020 – Cllr Walsh will be Chairing 21st May 2020 – APM followed by Annual Parish Council meeting. These dates are far in advance and are subject to change.	

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