

Greatham Parish Council

Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday 14th October 2020 at 8pm

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Dear Councillor,

You are hereby summoned to a meeting of Greatham Parish Council for the transaction of business set out below. This meeting is being held remotely using the Zoom video conferencing platform.

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Jane Ives, Clerk to the Council

8th October 2020

AGENDA

1. Chair's Announcements

2. Apologies for Absence – To note any apologies received from Councillors

3. Declarations of Interest

Councillors are reminded of their responsibility to declare any disclosable pecuniary interest which they may have in any item of business on the agenda no later than when that item is reached. Unless dispensation has been granted, you may not participate in any discussion of, or vote on, or discharge any function related to any matter in which you have a pecuniary interest as defined by regulations made by the Secretary of State under the Localism Act 2011. You must withdraw from the room or chamber when the meeting discusses and votes on the matter

4. Approval of Minutes: To approve minutes from the Parish Council meeting held on 9th September 2020

5. Update on actions arising from Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held as above

6. Report from District Councillors: Report from Cllr Adam Carew/Cllr Phillip Davies

7. Report from County Councillor: To note a report from Cllr Russell Oppenheimer

8. Report from Planning Chair: To hear an update on any planning matters and to note existing planning applications

9. Public Question Time: Adjournment of the meeting for 15 minutes to allow the public to raise questions

10. Parish Council Finances/Administration:

- a) **Clerk's Report including Financial Report:** To note the current report and Quarter 2 Bank Reconciliation
- b) **Payment Schedule:** To approve current payments
- c) **Grant for Wildflower Plugs:** To approve a request to apply for a District Councillor grant for wildflower plugs on verges throughout the village
- d) **Interpretation Boards:** To approve costs of £200 for design work for ecology and footpath interpretation boards

11. Speed Limit Reduction Sign: To review and approve the use of the SLR for 2021/22 including associated costs

12. Defibrillator: To consider location of existing defibrillator and consider costs for a defibrillator at the Village Hall

13. Community Funded Initiative Scheme:

- a) To hear an update following a recent meeting with Hampshire Highways
- b) To consider and agree the location of the refurbished telephone box (subject to Highways approval)

14. Old Church Working Group Report: To hear a report from the Working Group and agree any actions

15. Councillor Drop In Sessions: To consider setting up Councillor Drop In Sessions on Zoom

16. To note reports from representatives of Organisations, Outside Bodies, Working Parties, Leads & Groups

17. Items for next agenda

18. Date of next meeting: Wednesday 11th November 2020, 8pm. Planning Committee Meeting, Monday 26th October 2020, 8pm (subject to planning applications being received).

Appendix 1: County Councillor's Report

1. New Covid app

The County Council is urging Hampshire residents to download and use the new NHS Covid-19 app. The official contact tracing app for England and Wales went live on 24 September and is available to download for free on both Apple and Android phones for anyone aged 16 or over.

The app has features that include contact tracing, risk alerts based on postcode district, QR check-in at venues, symptom checker and Covid-19 test booking. The County Council would also like to inform residents that if they visit one of our venues, they will see the QR posters on display to enable them to easily 'check-in'.

2. Hampshire sets out targeted actions to reduce carbon emissions

On 29 September 2020 the County Council's Cabinet approved a Climate Change Action Plan and Framework 2020-2025. The plan is based on a carbon baseline produced by the Carbon Trust which established the greatest sources of emissions in Hampshire, and therefore where efforts must be focussed to reduce them. These are from industry and commercial operations (38.89%), transport (36.98%) and housing, such as energy use and heating (23.66%). Cabinet also approved new decision-making tools, created by the Carbon Trust, designed to assess the carbon emissions and resilience impact of all significant decisions made by the County Council at the start of all projects. These tools provide a clear, robust, and transparent way of assessing how projects, policies and initiatives contribute towards the County Council's climate change targets; and will ensure climate change considerations are built into everything the Authority does.

The Strategy, Action Plan and Framework provides clarity for residents, communities, and partners on how the County Council will work to both make Hampshire more resilient to the impact of climate change and to meet carbon reduction targets. It highlights our commitment to working with partners and other organisations, and the opportunities there are for others to get involved in helping us to deliver real change in Hampshire. More information is available at:

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/climatechange>

3. The financial picture at HCC

Latest predictions put extra costs and losses at around £160 million this financial year – with around £83 million of that unfunded. This results from significant unplanned additional costs during the outbreak, as well as lost income from areas such as school meals, country parks and registration services (births, deaths and marriages).

The job of forecasting the financial impact of coronavirus is an immensely difficult task because of the uncertainty caused from such a fast-moving, evolving pandemic.

HCC has had some additional, welcome funding from Government in the form of grant and reimbursement of lost income. Together with some additional savings secured across our departments, the financial liability of coronavirus for this year is slightly less than we predicted earlier this summer.

However, moving into the medium term, the situation worsens as we also take stock of growing demand in adult social care which we expect to increase further as a result of the pandemic, further lost income and council tax revenue, and the costs of responding to any subsequent coronavirus outbreaks. It means that our total unfunded costs and losses rise to around £210 million over the next three years – with the need for at least £52 million from Government in order to remain financially viable in the future.

4. Successful start to school term

Attendance at Hampshire schools is exceptionally good and above the national average, despite the fears relating to COVID-19. The week ending 18 September 2020 saw: 91% of primary aged children attending

Hampshire schools compared to 86% nationally; and 92% of secondary aged pupils compared to 88% nationally. Many absences are explained by the need to continue shielding because a pupil has a serious medical condition or a pupil has one of the more usual childhood illnesses.

In preparation for the new term, all schools carried out detailed risk assessments to put in place whatever they needed to, with support from HCC Children's Services. Those arrangements vary from school to school, depending on the size and layout of their sites, as well as the ages and number of children attending, but include:

- Placing children in distinct 'bubbles' to be maintained throughout the day
- Operating a one-way system around the school site
- Staggering the start and end of the school day
- Staggering break times
- Building time for frequent handwashing in the daily timetable
- Additionally, providing hand sanitiser in strategic areas of the building
- Frequent reminders to Catch It, Bin It, Kill It
- Additional cleaning of school buildings.

The successful return to school is a great success for Hampshire and we can all be proud of our schools.

5. Employment and training support post-Covid

Hampshire County Council is putting in place a raft of support to help residents get into work if they have become unemployed or had difficulty finding work after leaving education or training, due to COVID-19.

Our ambition is to minimise the negative impact of COVID-19 on our local economy, increase economic prosperity and continue to develop a skilled workforce for Hampshire to 2030 and beyond. The strategy sets out the actions that the County Council will be taking, including:

- Doubling the available Apprenticeship Levy funding to a total of £2 million. Further, the levy funding criteria will be extended to allow businesses to support higher and degree level apprenticeships.
- £1.3 million is being invested in Adult and Community learning and, in partnership with training providers, new, county-wide programmes will be created for adult basic skills.
- Employability Hubs are being established across the county, specialising in training and support for young people with special educational needs and/or disabilities.
- In support of those nearing school and college leaving age, the County Council's comprehensive Careers Information and Guidance Service will be expanded to be able to offer schools and colleges expert advice to enable them to develop their careers programmes, as well as to achieve the Quality in Careers kitemark.

Anyone wanting to find out more can visit:

<https://www.hampshirefutures.co.uk/course/view.php?id=548>

6. SDNPA launches New "People and Nature Network"

The South Downs has launched a document officially called the "People and Nature Network – Green Infrastructure in the South Downs National Park and wider South East". The document sets out how a wide range of partners can work together to plan positively for nature and natural services within and surrounding the protected landscapes of the South East. This is in recognition that nature, and the provision of natural ecosystem services do not follow administrative boundaries.

The authors of the plan (including academics, SDNPA Officers and the Sussex Biodiversity Centre) have analysed a wide range of evidence to develop a series of key priorities and principles for the 1st phase of the PANN area. From these high-level principles more detailed and localized strategies, plans, projects, and their delivery will be developed.

The research has found that there are hotspots in the study area where a number of issues coalesce to inhibit nature and natural processes. These areas are called 'Natural Capital Investment Areas' (NCIAs) and will be targeted for early action. I am pleased to report that "East Hants and Heathlands" is one of the 12 NCIA's.

I provide below a link to the Executive Summary for Councillors who wish to learn more about this exciting initiative:

<https://www.southdowns.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/PANN-GI-in-the-SDNP-and-wider-SE-FINAL.pdf>

RUSSELL OPPENHEIMER

County Councillor for Petersfield Hangers

Appendix 2: Planning Applications updated 08/10/20 (decisions since last meeting highlighted yellow)

Reference	Address	Proposal	Consultation Expiry Date	Determination Date	GPC Comments	Decision
SDNP/20/03362/HOUS	April Cottage, Longmoor Road, Greatham GU33 6AE	Detached garden shed	07/10/2020	28/10/2020	No objection	
SDNP/20/03908/OHL	Land at Ham Barn roundabout, Farnham Road, Liss GU33 6LB	Installation of new pole for transformer	12/10/2020	23/10/2020	No objection	
SDNP/20/03691/HOUS	2 Greatham Green Cottages, Forest Road, Greatham GU33 6HD	Proposed 2 storey side extension and single storey rear extension following demolition of existing pitched and flat roof extensions and demolition of existing concrete garage	15/10/2020	10/11/2020	No objection, request local brick used	
SDNP/20/03198/HOUS	Pilgrims Way, Church Lane, Greatham GU33 6HB	Replacement garden shed following removal of existing shed	22/09/20	19/10/20		Approved
SDNP/20/03070/CND	5 Bakers Field, Greatham GU33 6EX	Variation of Condition 2 of permission SDNP/19/05738/FUL to allow external walls to be built with facing brickwork	02/09/20	21/09/20		Approved
SDNP/20/02763/TCA	The Hermitage, Petersfield Road, Greatham GU33 6HA	Row of Leyland Cypress (G1) - fell row of trees (approx 12) as they add little in environmental and amenity value and their removal will allow the planting of more beneficial species.	06/08/20	19/09/20	No objection	Approved
SDNP/20/02417/FUL	West Fork, Farnham Road, Liss GU33 6LA	Creation of new access road and use of existing access road for additional caravan storage, relocation of building and 2 additional holiday pods.	10/08/20	02/09/20	Objection	
SDNP/20/02812/HOUS	Willow Lea, Church Lane, Greatham GU33 6HB	Two-storey rear extension, enlargement of the front porch and removal of the timber shed.	20/08/20	15/09/20	No objection	Approved
SDNP/20/02572/HOUS	Longmoor Lodge, Longmoor Road, Greatham GU33 6AP	Clad only the existing red grey brickwork on the right hand side of the front elevation and right side elevation to match the cladding at the rear extension.	21/08/20	10/09/20	No objection	Approved
SDNP/20/02282/HOUS	Darley, 1 Longmoor Road, Greatham GU33 6AE	Relocation of an existing garden storage shed to an existing concrete hardstand forward to the front façade of the main dwelling	09/07/20	05/08/20	No objection	Approved

SDNP/20/01023/HOUS	Lindisfarne, Longmoor Rd, Greatham GU33 6AG	Single storey rear extension following demolition of existing conservatory	13/04/20	08/05/20	No objection	Approved
SDNP/20/01507/HOUS	Bower Cottage, Longmoor Rd, Greatham GU33 6AQ	New vehicular access, widen pedestrian kerb and single storey side extension	15/05/20	11/06/20	No objection	Approved
SDNP/19/05338/HOUS	2 Bridge Cottages, Farnham Rd Liss GU33 6LA	Single storey rear extension & replacement garage	25/02/20	02/03/20	No objection	Approved
SDNP/19/05998/HOUS	1 The Mount, Petersfield Rd, Greatham GU33 6AU	Extension of existing detached double garage and new pitched roof to existing section of garage	21/01/20	10/02/20	No objection	Withdrawn
SDNP/19/05738/FUL	5 Bakers Field, Greatham GU33 6EX	Replacement dwelling following demolition of existing dwelling	20/01/20	13/02/20	Objection	Approved
SDNP/19/05466/FUL	1 Hill View, Petersfield Rd, Greatham, GU33 6EY	Demolition of single storey extension & build a detached dwelling	19/12/19	15/01/20	Objection	Approved
SDNP/19/05505/HOUS	44 Sherwood Close, Liss, GU33 7BT	Single storey front & rear extension	19/12/19	14/01/20	No comments	Approved
SDNP/19/05132/HOUS	3 Bridge Cottages, Farnham Rd Liss GU33 6LA	Reconstruction of front porch following impact damage	19/12/19	14/01/20	No objection	Approved
SDNP/19/05129/FUL	Copse House, Church Lane, Greatham GU33 6HB	Replacement dwelling	03/12/19	30/12/19	No objection	Approved
SDNP/19/05310/FUL	18 & 20 Wolfmere Lane, Greatham, GU33 6AL	Retrospective application for change of use of land to residential gardens	04/12/19	04/12/19	No objection	Approved
SDNP/19/05464/TPO	Greatham Primary School, Petersfield Rd, Greatham GU33 6HA	Various tree works	13/12/19	10/01/20	No objection	Approved
SDNP/19/03287/FUL	Darley, 1 Longmoor Road, Greatham GU33 6AE	Pair of semi detached dwellings	30/08/19	27/09/19	Objection	Withdrawn
SDNP/19/02897/FUL	West Fork, Farnham Road, Liss GU33 6LA	Change of use to caravan storage	02/08/19	29/08/19	No objection	Refused
SDNP/19/02450/FUL	West Fork, Farnham Road, Liss GU33 6LA	Change of use of land to a caravan site & provision of 16 mobile holiday lodges	11/07/19	01/08/19	No objection	Refused
SDNP/19/02237/FUL	Fern Farm, Longmoor Road, Greatham GU33 6AW	Erection of four mobile home pitches, utility/day room building, replacement stables and associated hardstanding, following demolition of the existing buildings.	19/07/19	14/08/19	No objection	Approved

SDNP/19/01984/FUL	Longmoor Training Camp, French Road, Longmoor GU33 6EL	Change of Use of Existing Buildings from Military Storage depot to a flexible use comprising Film Studios/Storage and Distribution and offices with associated car parking and landscaping	04/07/19	08/08/19	Supports	
SDNP/18/06111/FUL	Liss Forest Nursery, Petersfield Road, Greatham GU33 6HA	Development of 46 dwellings (including affordable homes) and a shop, alterations to existing access onto Petersfield Road, hard and soft landscaping, drainage and all other associated development works	28/02/19	21/03/19	Objection	

Appendix 3: Clerk's Report including Financial Report as at 30th September 2020

Exercise of Public Rights

There were requests to view the accounts during the Exercise of Public Rights period which ends on 12th October. Information requested was sent by email after a meeting was declined, but some information was withheld as it related to personal data about the Clerk and was exempt under Data Protection legislation. The costs to the taxpayer in terms of Clerk time to deal with the various requests is £126 to date.

Tree Works at Old Church

Tree works will be commencing in the next few weeks. The works are in accordance with the Council decision made in July 2020 following consultation with EHDC, the Ancient Yew Group, Dryad Tree Specialists and the Old Church Working Group. EHDC wrote to the Parish Council regarding the objections to the application from residents and non-residents and said that "these objections have not in the main considered the full content of the notification submitted by the Parish". There were concerns raised in particular about the yew tree and EHDC commented that "The notification, while it includes a number of reports; It is based on the recommendations of the Ancient Yew Group and is considered by EHDC Arboricultural Service to be good practice in respect to the management and care for this very old tree" and that the "yew tree is being managed sensitively and professionally".

Playground Inspections

Weekly playground inspections are still being carried out to ensure all signs remain in place during the Covid-19 pandemic. This is in accordance with government guidelines.

Website Update

I will be shortly be adding a new page to our website with information on where residents can go to report various issues such as planning enforcement, road/traffic issues, footpath issues etc.

Financial Records as at 30th September 2020

Receipts 1st September 2020 – 30th September 2020

Hampshire County Council Grant for CFI	£1,000.00
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Balances as at 30th September 2020

Current Account	£19,810.19
Deposit Account	£25,044.68
Total at bank	£44,854.87

Earmarked Funds held

CIL fund	£ 8,140.00
Community Engagement	£ 500.00
NDP	£ 1,000.00
Election costs	£ 500.00
Tree works	£ 1,820.00
S106 project	£ 4,802.00
CFI Scheme	£ 1,000.00
Total Earmarked Funds	£17,762.00

General Reserves Balance	£27,092.87 (total at bank less earmarked funds)
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Quarter 2 Bank Reconciliation

The bank reconciliation is below and will be verified by a councillor prior to the meeting.

GREATHAM PARISH COUNCIL

SUMMARY RECEIPTS & PAYMENT ACCOUNT 2nd QUARTER ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2020

Annual Budget	Actual YTD	RECEIPTS	Figures shown exclusive of VAT	
			£	£
			Q2 Receipts	
19640	19640	Precept	9,820.00	
0	5052	S106	-	
0	0	CIL	-	
0	1025	Grants	1,000.00	
30	0	Bank Interest	-	
0	619	VAT repayment	618.75	
0	300	Old Church income	-	
19670	26636			
		TOTAL RECEIPTS		11,438.75
		PAYMENTS	Q2 Payments	
10,635	5309	Net salaries (July-Sept 2020)	2,955.96	
180	75	Allowances	30.00	
200	101	Travel costs	56.16	
150	73	Training staff	72.50	
200	0	Training councillors	-	
400	53	Printing	53.33	
400	293	Stamps & Stationery	193.42	
75	0	Publications	-	
300	8	Room Hire	-	
655	746	IT/email/website	7.90	
350	0	Repairs & maintenance	-	
120	89	Equipment purchase	89.00	
350	0	SLR Deployment	-	
1,500	1150	Grant allocation	500.00	
450	554	Subscriptions	31.80	
400	200	Audit fees	-	
650	604	Insurance	-	
720	100	Grass cutting	100.00	
200	0	Maintenance outside spaces (lengthsman/pa)	-	
80	95	Playground inspection	95.00	
500	13	Playground maintenance	13.48	
1,150	120	Old Church expenditure	120.00	
-	270	VAT on payments	122.11	
-	36	Bank charges	18.00	
8,140	0	EMR CIL projects	-	
2,100	280	EMR Trees	-	
500	0	EMR Community Engagement	-	
500	0	EMR Election costs	-	
1,000	0	EMR NDP	-	
5,052	250	EMR S106	-	
31,905	10170			
		TOTAL PAYMENTS		4,458.66
		BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD on 01/07/2020		37,874.78
		ADD Total Receipts (as above)		11,438.75
		LESS Total payments (as above)		4,458.66
		Balance Carried forward 30/09/2020		44,854.87
These cumulative funds are represented by:				
		Current Account Balance	19,810.19	
		Less: Cheques drawn but not debited as at 30.09.20		
		Deposit Bank Account Balance	25,044.68	
				44,854.87

Appendix 4: Payment Schedule

Invoice Date	Payee	Description	Net Total	VAT	Total
		PAYMENTS MADE			
30/09/20	Clerk	Salary September 2020	£814.97	£0.00	£814.97
30/09/20	HMRC	Tax/NI liability mth 6	£8.55	£0.00	£8.55
16/09/20	Clerk	Expenses (toner cartridge, mileage, mobile phone, IT)	£185.20	£33.53	£218.73
02/09/20	Petersfield Town Council	Grass cutting August 2020	£50.00	£10.00	£60.00
02/09/20	Petersfield Town Council	Grass cutting Old Church	£120.00	£24.00	£144.00
		PAYMENTS TO BE MADE			
15/09/20	Petaprint	Playground notices	£35.42	£7.08	£42.50
01/11/20	SLCC	Membership renewal (50% share with Selborne PC)	£101.00	£0.00	£101.00
05/10/20	Petersfield Town Council	Grass Cutting September 2020	£75.00	£15.00	£90.00
		TOTALS	£1,390.14	£89.61	£1,479.75

Signed by Chair of Meeting:

Date:

Appendix 5: Speed Limit Reduction Sign

The SLR is shared with Grayshott and Headley Parish Council's and we have 5 deployments per year.

Locations

Current year locations are as follows:

Petersfield Road (near Eurotec) facing oncoming traffic from the North heading out of the village towards Whitehill

B3006 from Ham Barn roundabout heading towards Greatham. Before turning on right, on left existing 30mph repeater sign

Longmoor Road, 30mph repeater on left just before stables

Lamp column 3, heading out of Greatham towards Toll House Corner

B3006 from Liss towards Ham Barn roundabout, existing 40mph marker sign outside cottages on left hand side

New locations were discussed with Hampshire Highways and changes can be made to next year's schedule.

Cost

The cost will increase by 5% next year to £59.06 for each deployment.

Jane Ives, Clerk
08/10/20

Appendix 6: Defibrillator

The defibrillator currently owned by the Parish Council is located outside the Church Rooms behind St John the Baptist Church. This location did prove difficult to find by the emergency services a year or so ago. It is tucked away down an unlit path and not easily accessible for residents living in the north of the village.

We could move the defibrillator to a more central location and the Village Hall have agreed to house it on their building. The Village Hall is an ideal location as it is central in the village and has a large easily accessible car park.

One resident has written to the Parish Council to object to moving the defibrillator as below:

I am very unimpressed and saddened with the thought of the Greatham Parish Council removing the defibrillator from St. John the Baptist Church.

Firstly when agreed to put the defibrillator at St. John's the long term plan was to have another in the Village to accommodate the northern part of the Village (At the pub possibly) as some seem to forget that the other side of Ham Barn comes into the Village, so does Mill Lane, part of Snailing Lane, Forest Road and Le Court too. There is also now the continued use of Church Field with their plans to use their outside classroom more frequently. Which means it is more central to the south part of the village.

Secondly the Church and Church Centre is used by a variety of people that are in a Category that may be at risk of heart problems whether known or unknown. St. Johns is not just used for Sunday Services it is used for a variety of things including outreach to the local community. I am sure you are aware of this though!

Thirdly a bit of common decency would be a thought to liaise with or let St. John's know of the Greatham Parish Council plans for this. Greatham Parish Council paid for the installation, isn't it a complete waste of money to remove it? When the defibrillator was installed under the guidance of Farnham Lions he did however comment that already they had made improvements to the current defibrillators.

I do seem to remember that the District Councillor was mentioned that he had funds to install another defibrillator in the Village and this has been mentioned more recently I believe.

I think it would be advantageous to have another defibrillator in the Village as that was the long term plan originally.

Should you decide that you feel it is best for the Parish Council to remove the defibrillator? The feeling at St. Johns is that they will have no alternative other than applying for funding to purchase another defibrillator to be in situ when the current one is unfortunately removed by the Parish council.

The Parish Council could purchase a second defibrillator for installation at the Village Hall and leave the existing one at the Church. Many towns and villages have more than one defibrillator and it is worth remembering that time is of the essence when it comes to treating someone in cardiac arrest.

Costs of a defibrillator including a cabinet and installation would be approximately £2,000.

The Parish Council could fund this from General Reserves or seek grant funding. However, some grant funds, such as the British Heart Foundation, are currently closed for funding during the Covid-19 pandemic.

Jane Ives, Clerk
08/10/20

Appendix 7: Community Funded Initiative Scheme

Greatham Parish Council recently submitted a CFI form to Highways for review and Cllr Rook and the Clerk met Joe Folland a Highways Engineer this week to look at the various options during an onsite meeting.

Hampshire County Council have recently launched a Community Funded Highways Scheme for larger scale projects and some of the projects we have put forward such as raising kerbs to reduce junction radius would now fall under this scheme. These are expensive projects (over £20k) and may not be feasible for the Parish Council to undertake without applying for external funding.

It must be understood that under the CFI scheme, Hampshire County Council do not fund any of the projects. We must fund any projects ourselves.

We have suggested potential new crossing points and these would cost approximately £5k each if they are simple. Fingerpost signs cost approximately £2.5k-£3k each.

Once we have some further information and costings for the various projects a decision will need to be made by Council as to which projects to take forward and how to fund them.

Telephone Box

The Traffic Working Group came up with various options for the location of the telephone box and these were discussed with Highways. The working group also suggested buying a second telephone box but this has not been discussed or agreed by the Parish Council. We have not yet finalised the proposed use of the telephone box but a book swap, information centre /noticeboard have been suggested.

The 3 locations are as follows:

1. Relocation at the Village Hall (where it was originally sited or thereabouts)
2. Locating it on the grass verge outside the Village Hall
3. Locating it at the corner of Longmoor Road

Location 1 would be the simplest and would need to be discussed and agreed with the Village Hall Trustees.

Location 2 is the most complex option. Joe Folland will talk to the Highways team and try to give us an indication of the feasibility of this option. Safety to users is the biggest concern and some sort of fenced enclosure would most likely be necessary. This could tie in with a new crossing point and access to the Village Hall but it should be made clear that this option has not been discussed with the Village Hall Trustees and no action can be taken without their consent. A full safety audit would also need to be carried out (at our cost).

Location 3 would be feasible and further discussions would need to be had with Highways if this was the preferred option. There did not appear to be any objections though at this stage. The telephone box at this location could serve as a very useful noticeboard for the Parish Council as we do not have a noticeboard at this end of the village other than in the pub meaning it is currently only accessible during pub opening times.

Jane Ives, Clerk
08/10/20