

Parish Council of Bournmoor

Meeting of Bournmoor Parish Council, in the Communal Hall,

Lambourne Close, Wednesday 19th February 2020 at 7.00pm

1. **Present** - Cllr Tait (Chair), Cllr Armstrong, Cllr Holland, Cllr Nelsey, Cllr Hall, G Oliver (Clerk, minuting),
2. **Apologies for absence** – Cllr Robinson, Cllr Brady
3. **Chairmans Introduction** – Cllr Tait welcomed everyone to the meeting. An update was provided on Cllr White, with the council sorry to hear he was back in hospital and sent their best wishes.
4. **Minutes of Previous Meeting** – January minutes were approved and signed off by Cllr Armstrong pro the Council.
5. **Police report** – Cllr Holland advised he had been in contact by correspondence with PCSO Janelle Taylor, who had provided details of recent crimes in the area. These included:-
 - thefts in Sydney Street, Finchale Terrace, Fencehouses Service Station, Bournmoor Filling Station;
 - burglaries in Pinewood Street, Lambourne Close, Beaumaris
 - criminal damage in Medwyn Close, Rose Crescent
 - off road quad bike use across Marigold Crescent, Orchid Squar, Iris Square and Rose Crescent

Details of crime within our area can be found through this link:-

<https://www.police.uk/durham/CLS6/crime/>

Cllr Holland is hoping to meet with PCSO Janelle Taylor in the near future.

6. **Matters Arising** – The work of Bournmoor Conservation Group (BCG) was discussed. It was proposed by Cllr Armstrong that a £500 donation to BCG should continue to be given, but would be reviewed annually, with BCG providing updates on what the money had been used for. This proposal was agreed unanimously. BCG would be asked to provide an annual report to the Parish each year.

7. **Standards matters** – it was discussed that the admin details for Facebook and website were still needed by G Oliver, to enable improvements and ensure compliance with Parish standards.
8. **Financial matters** – Cllr Armsrong updated on the proposal for the clerks wages, following discussion through the sub-committee, which were agreed. The following accounts were agreed & paid:-

- CDALC - £286.63 (outstanding from 19/20 subscriptions)
- G Oliver - £487.04 and £227.80
- Bournmoor Conservation Group - £500

Cllr Armstrong advised, he had agreed with Little Lumley Parish that the expenses for G Oliver would be shared.

G Oliver provided an update on options for moving banks, and suggested the best process would first be to add G Oliver and Cllr Tait as signatories first with the existing bank, before proceeding with any movement. G Oliver brought the necessary forms and shared with Cllr Tait to complete.

G Oliver also updated on options for the end of year accounting period, advising on her external accounting contact and process used for Little Lumley Parish. Cllr Holland agreed to speak to Cllr Brady on the proposal to use the same contact as Little Lumley.

9. **Correspondence** – none

10. **Village Matters** – Cllr Armstrong updated on concerns around the Bournmoor area, these included:-

- Evidence of broken glass
- Flytipping, including dumped suitcases
- Paint on paths
- Grass verges destroyed
- Speeding along A1052
- Lack of information on forthcoming roadworks

Cllr Nelsey also raised concerns around the state of the roundabout at the bottom of Bournmoor. Following discussion, it was agreed that Cllr Armstrong would outline the concerns raised to Cllr Bell from Durham CC.

Cllr Holland had met with Ken Clerk to look at projects to help the local community, including planting of more trees in various locations, purchase of high visual jackets to wear when litter picking, hedge planting to support wildlife, signage to reflect and remember the heritage of the area. It was agreed that a visit would be arranged, around end March/April to review the area and see what the Parish would like to do. Cllr Holland, Cllr Hall, Cllr Armstrong and G Oliver agreed to go on the visit, alongside Ken Clerk.

Next Meeting: 18th March 2020. The meeting closed at 20:42.