# MINUTES of a Meeting of Tatsfield Parish Council held on the 14<sup>th</sup> December 2020 via Zoom commencing at 8.00 p.m.

**Present:** Mr David Pinchin (in the chair)

Mr Jason Syrett Mr Ashley Clifton Mr Ian Hayman Mr Stephen Mittins Ms Alex Davies

In Attendance: Samantha Head (Clerk)

Cllr. Martin Allen (TDC)

And 0 parishioners.

The meeting commenced at 8.05 pm

#### 1. APOLOGIES

3222/1220 Kim Jennings had sent her apologies. These were received and accepted by members.

### 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (relating to items on the agenda)

3223/1220 Jason Syrett declared an interest in item 12a – Tatsfield Green, Boundary Dispute. This item would be discussed under Part 2 and Jason Syrett would not therefore take part in the discussion or agreement for this item.

Although not a member, the Clerk absented herself when members discussed items 9j and k – Clerk's holiday and pension.

## 3. Approve and sign the MINUTES of the previous meeting held on 9th November 2020

3224/1220 It was resolved that the minutes reflected a true and accurate record of the meeting held on 9th November 2020. They were duly signed by the Chair.

## 4. Receive and accept the MINUTES of the Finance Committee meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> November 2020 and the committee's recommendations / resolutions

3225/1220 It was resolved to receive and accept the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> November 2020 and the committee's resolutions and recommendations.

## 5. Receive and accept the Minutes of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> September 2020

3226/1220 It was resolved to receive and accept the minutes of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> September 2020.

#### 6. Public Participation

None

## 7. Officer's report on actions outstanding since the previous meeting

- The Clerk reported that she had submitted the annual return for the King Edward VII Memorial Garden.
- The Clerk has arranged the Surrey Arts Project Portal presentation for 7.30pm on 11th January 2021.

## 8. PLANNING:

#### (a) Planning Team for December: Alex Davies and Stephen Mittins

3227/1220 It was resolved that the planning team for December would be Alex Davies and Stephen Mittins.

#### (b) To determine the Parish Council's position on Appendix A:

#### TA/2020/1907 Anhedral, Greenway, Tatsfield TN16 2BS

Erection of two-storey side, rear extensions and attached garage. (Amended plans to 2018/1276) (Retrospective)

Within the Defined Village within the Green Belt.

Planning history:

2018/1276: Erection of two storey side, rear extensions and attached garage. Formation of additional hardstanding incorporating extension of driveway. (Retrospective) (Revised plans). 14 Jun 2018Decision Determined Approved

2017/834: Erection of single storey side extension to form garage, part single/part two storey front/side extension and two storey side/rear extension incorporating first floor balcony. Alteration to existing roof and installation of window to side elevation. 24 Apr 2017Decision Determined Approved

81/210/R Erection of detached house and integral garage. (renewal)

Summary: This planning application has been made to regularise work that was part done under a previous planning consent in 2018, which was also part completed from the previous planning consent in 2017. The main issue here is that the extension was built with a flat roof, not in compliance with the two previous applications. The application has been submitted to try to gain consent for what was built that is not compliant with either of the two previous applications

3228/1220 Comment: Objection.

It is the view of Tatsfield Parish Council that the extension as proposed (and already constructed) with a flat roof is incongruous, not complimentary to the rest of the house and represents poor design. We therefore object to this application.

The proposed flat roof extension will have (has)a negative impact on neighbouring properties, and the character and appearance of the extension is inappropriate for the surrounding area.

As the extension does not complement and detracts from the character of the house, the street scene and the surrounding landscape it is contrary to TDC Local Plan Part 2: Detailed Policy DP7.10.

It is our expectation that the house extension should be altered to incorporate a pitched roof as proposed and approved under application 2018/1276with complimentary detailing and materials to the main house.

The current design is contrary to the two previous planning consents including specifically Condition 4 of 2018/1276which has not been complied with. It states: 'Within 9 months of the date of approval the proposed pitched roofs to the main dwelling shall be erected in accordance with the details shown on the drawing numbered FR1702-02 scanned on 24 January 2019 and shall be retained as such. '

#### TA/2020/2003/TPO Saddlers, 54 Paynesfield Road, Tatsfield TN16 2BG

Reduce Beech tree approximately 30m in height down by 8m, leaving it about 22m in height. Lift up to 7m and thin by 25%. The tree is situated in the back garden. The tree is getting too big.

3229/1220 Comment: No comment.

## APP/M3645/W/20/3256736

## TA/2020/2216 Land West of Thistle Cottage, Shaw Road, Tatsfield TN16 2BX

Erection of residential dwelling and associated works. (Amended address and description).

Within the Green Belt (outside of the Defined Village.)

Planning history:

Tatsfield Parish Council submitted a detailed objection to TDC re: this application on 17th February 2020.

The application was then refused.

In the Applicant's Statement of Case for the appeal (SOC), they use the construction of a new house at Thistledown under 2015/660 as a precedent.

Thistledown is however currently subject to an enforcement order ENF 2019/245 to do with application 2015/660. (This enforcement action was started some time ago and is being dealt with by Fiona Lander at TDC. Members of the previous PC met her predecessor about a year ago. The issues are ongoing).

It is proposed that the following extended objection is submitted to PINS in full as it was only partially included in the Officer's report and to respond to points raised in the SOC.

3230/1220 The Parish Council resolved to send the following to PINS:

Appeal Reference: APP/M3645/W/20/3256736

Land West of Thistle Cottage, Shaw Road, Tatsfield TN15 2BX

Tatsfield Parish Council submitted an objection to application TA/2019/2216 to Tandridge District Council on 17<sup>th</sup> February 2020. Following a review of the Appellant's Statement of Case in relation to the above appeal, we have further points we wish to outline as follows:

## 1.0: Original Reasons for Objection

1.1

NPPF paragraph 145 states: A local planning authority should regard the construction of new buildings as inappropriate in the Green Belt. Exceptions to this includes: (e) limited infilling in villages.

1.2

Tandridge District Council (TDC) Local Plan Draft Core Strategy Part 2: Detailed Policies 2014-2029 paragraph 12.6 however states: The NPPF does not specify whether boundaries should or should not be drawn around the villages in the Green Belt within which infilling can occur. **Therefore, the sole purpose of drawing a line around these villages is to make it clear precisely where infilling can take place and where Green Belt policy will apply.** Paragraph 12.7 then identifies Tatsfield as one of nine villages considered to be suitable for limited infill development.

1.3

The application site is clearly outside of the Defined Village boundary. The entire length of Shaw Road and all the properties along its north side are outside of the Defined Village.

1.4

The Planning Inspectors decision submitted as a precedent by the appellant for APP/Q4625/W/17/3191758 (Solihull) specifically considered that the site's setting and location was within 'a ribbon of development .... extending out from a large and sustainable settlement .... and a small gap within an otherwise built-up frontage'.

1.5

The character of Shaw Road is noticeably more rural than the streets within the Defined Village and this site does not form a part of a consistent row of houses or 'ribbon of development'. Adjacent properties to the site are loosely arranged, with built forms located far apart from each other and with considerable trees and open space between.

1.6

The TDC Draft Local Plan Core Strategy DP12 defines Infilling as 'within an existing substantially developed frontage; this does not include the inappropriate subdivision of existing curtilages to a size below that prevailing in the area'

1.7

Tatsfield Parish Council argue that the Solihull appeal decision above is therefore irrelevant in this case due to the rural and open nature of this unmade road and the informal and widely spaced arrangement of properties in this area. We also conclude that this is clearly not within an 'existing substantially developed frontage'.

1.8

It is the conclusion of Tatsfield Parish Council that the proposals submitted under this appeal do not therefore constitute 'limited infilling in villages' and that this proposed development should not be considered under this exception.

1.9

Further, NPPF para. 134: Green Belt serves five purposes: a) to check the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas; b) to prevent neighbouring towns merging into one another; c) to assist in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment; d) to preserve the setting and special character of historic towns; and e) to assist in urban regeneration, by encouraging the recycling of derelict and other urban land.

#### 1.10

This land on Shaw Road forms part of important open green space and wooded areas between the urban area of Biggin Hill and the defined village of Tatsfield in the Green Belt. It plays a critical role in preventing these areas from merging together and encroachment of the countryside.

#### 1.11

This proposed development is therefore 'Inappropriate Development' under NPPF paragraphs 143 and 145 and would, by definition, cause harm to the Green Belt. There are no Very Special Circumstances as to why this harm should be acceptable.

## 2.0: Response to Appellant's Statement of Case:

#### 2.1

On Page 5 of the Appellant's Statement of Case, they make reference under 'Character and appearance' to consent granted for the construction of a house under TDC Application ref: TA/2015/660. This is for a property known as Thistledown (They refer to Thistle Cottage).

#### 2.2

The application description for TDC application ref: TA/2015/660 is: 'Demolition of existing dwellings, outbuildings and structures. Erection of detached dwelling and outbuilding with associated landscaping and access on to Shaw Road, erection of detached dwelling and garage with associated landscaping and reinstatement of existing access on to Westmore Road, and associated works. (Amended description).'

#### 2.3

Essentially the consent under TA/2015/660 was for the demolition of all buildings and dwellings across the site and the construction of two new dwellings with a reduced overall volume.

#### 2.4

Thistle Cottage was one of the houses that formed part of the Thistledown approval and is a chalet bungalow property that was further extended in 2019 under TDC Application ref. TA/2019/100. In the officer's report, it was noted as having no previous planning history on record. This is incorrect.

#### 2.5

As can be seen within Figure 1 of the Appellant's Statement of Case, unfortunately, the demolition works were not completed that were required under the planning consent. Thistledown is currently the subject to an Enforcement Order ENF 2019/245 as a result of this outstanding issue under TA/2015/660. The plan provided in Appendix 3 of the Statement of Case showing the aerial view of the site as at 2014 and 2018 is therefore misleading. Once the remaining buildings are demolished in line with the above planning consent, this will demonstrate that the plot and surrounding area are far more rural and open than currently is being demonstrated in the Appellant's Statement of Case.

#### 2.6

Tatsfield Parish Council conclude that application TA/2015/660 for Thistledown was approved under NPPF paragraph 145 as being the replacement of buildings, (provided the new buildings are in the same use and not materially larger than the ones it replaces) and should therefore not be used as a precedent for the construction of a new building in the Green Belt which is 'Inappropriate Development' under NPPF paragraphs 143 and 145 and would, by definition, cause harm to the Green Belt. There are no Very Special Circumstances as to why this harm should be acceptable.

### 3.0: PRECEDENT APPEAL DECISION

3.1

We would draw the Inspector's attention to the decision made under Appeal Ref: APP/M3645/W/17/3180447 (Land rear of 43 Paynesfield Road, Tatsfield TN16 2BG). This appeal considered a similar proposal for a new dwelling outside of the Defined Village of Tatsfield as a potential 'Limited Infilling in villages' under para 89 of the NPPF.

3.2

In paragraph 8 of the Inspector's decision on the above case, the Inspector concludes: 'Nonetheless, it does not necessarily follow that the proposal, in its setting, would constitute infill development. Infill, in such context, would generally involve the development of a small gap along a continuously developed highway frontage within an identifiable group of buildings'.

3.3

Tatsfield Parish Council argue that the above precedent decision is relevant in this case in that this is not 'a small gap along a continuously developed highway frontage within an identifiable group of buildings'. It is also not within an 'existing substantially developed frontage' as noted in 1.7 above.

#### 4.0: CONCLUSION

4.1

Tatsfield Parish Council conclude that this proposal is 'Inappropriate Development' under NPPF paragraphs 143 and 145 and would, by definition, cause harm to the Green Belt. There are no Very Special Circumstances as to why this harm should be accepted. We urge the Planning inspectorate to **dismiss this appeal**.

3231/1220 The Clerk was requested to inform Tandridge Planning of the Parish Council's decision.

3232/1220 The Clerk was requested to submit the Parish Council's statement to the Planning Inspectorate.

## 9. Finance:

### (a) Finance Team for December: Alex Davies and Stephen Mittins

3233/1220 It was resolved that the Finance Team for December would be Alex Davies and Stephen Mittins.

(b) Authorise payments (including authorisation of Internet banking) detailed in Appendix B 3234/1220 Items on Appendix B were duly approved. Payments and supporting invoices were checked and signed by members of the Finance Team for December.

## (c) Items for expenditure:

None

## (d) External Audit Report

PKF Littlejohn (the external auditor) returned the following comments: On the basis of our review of Sections 1 and 2 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR), in our opinion the information in Sections 1 and 2 of the AGAR is in accordance with Proper Practices and no other matters have come to our attention giving cause for concern that relevant legislation and regulatory requirements have not been met.

Other matters not affecting our opinion which we draw to the attention of the authority: None. The Parish Council thanked the Clerk for successfully completing the audit.

#### (e) Mid-Year Internal Audit report

This has been completed. The Internal Auditor's report stated:

In accordance with my Internal Audit Plan, Financial Controls have been tested - these are well managed, as set out in the Governance and Accountability for Local Councils Practitioners' Guide 2020 and meet the needs of the Council. There are some Procedures that have not been reviewed on this occasion (due to distance working). This was last carried out in October 2019, when everything was in order – a full review will be undertaken at the time of the next Annual Return in the Spring of 2021.

I confirm that I do not have any role within the Council. I will carry out my duties without bias and follow the Public Sector Internal Audit Standards 2012 - to enable the Council to comply with these Standards and the Accounts &

Audit Regulations 2015.

There are not any matters to raise - well done.

## (f) Approve budget for 2021-22 as recommended by the Finance Committee (as per item 4)

3235/1220 It was resolved to accept the recommendations made by the Finance Committee and members approved the Budget for 2021-22

## (g) Approve Precept amount for 2021-22 of £51,000

3236/1220 It was resolved to request a Precept amount of £51,000 for 2021-22.

- (h) Approve grant awards as recommended in the Minutes of the Finance Committee (as per item 4) 3237/1220 Members approved the grant awards as recommended by the Finance Committee.
- (i) Approve appointment of Finance Committee Chairman to carry out member checks on PC bank accounts 3238/1220 Members approved the appointment of the Finance Committee Chairman to carry out member checks on the PC bank accounts.
  - (j) Clerk's holiday allowance to carry over to 2021 (Under Part 2)

This would be discussed under Part 2.

(k) Clerk's pension (Under Part 2)

This would be discussed under Part 2.

#### 10. Notified Items

## (a) Covid-19 update / TDC Covid-19 Community Support

The Clerk had circulated the following report:

The Clerk has attended two TDC Zoom meetings re Covid-19 Community Support – 19<sup>th</sup> November and 7<sup>th</sup> December.

Tandridge had begun to see the expected decrease in cases by 19<sup>th</sup> November, following the second national lockdown starting earlier in the month. However, by 7<sup>th</sup> December, cases were on the rise again at a rate above the national average.

Business grants had gone live and many had been paid out. TDC was also still administering self-isolation grants but in smaller numbers than before.

The Government's Winter Grant Scheme would be administered by SCC, mainly through schools but also via the Surrey Crisis Fund.

There had been no confirmation that Tandridge would have a vaccination hub (at the time of the meeting on 7<sup>th</sup>). Once there was a hub, Dial-a-Ride would be on hand to transport over 80-year-old non-driving residents to receive the vaccination (they can safely carry up to 3 passengers at a time).

There had been lots of confusion regarding priority online supermarket slots during the second lockdown and, despite registering on the National Shielding System, some residents still couldn't access the priority slots. Stephen and I had continued to phone / visit the few Tatsfield residents we knew were on the vulnerable list.

Equally, the communication from Government during the second lockdown had proved confusing for many – unlike the first lockdown, CEVs (Clinically Extremely Vulnerable) had not been told to shield but to self-manage their interaction with others.

TDC has now stopped making outbound calls to CEVs.

TDC advised that SCC would not be authorising any events until at least March 2021. There is a big concern regarding the proximity to the Kent border and measures have been put in place to stop Tier 3 residents from attending events across the border e.g., at Lingfield Racecourse. Anyone wishing to host an event would need to submit event plans, risk assessments and ensure compliance with the Covid Secure checklist. Any plans received would be forwarded to public health at SCC for go-ahead confirmation.

The Clerk further added that the daily dashboard reports from SCC showed that cases in Tandridge and across Surrey were still rising.

#### b) Parish Council meeting dates for 2021

The following dates were confirmed for the main meetings in 2021: 11th January, 8th February, 8th March,

12<sup>th</sup> April, 10<sup>th</sup> May, 14<sup>th</sup> June, 12<sup>th</sup> July, 13<sup>th</sup> September, 11<sup>th</sup> October, 8<sup>th</sup> November, 13<sup>th</sup> December. The following dates would be use for supplementary meetings (if required) – 25<sup>th</sup> January, 22<sup>nd</sup> February, 22<sup>nd</sup> March, 26<sup>th</sup> April, 24<sup>th</sup> May, 28<sup>th</sup> June, 26<sup>th</sup> July, 27<sup>th</sup> September, 25<sup>th</sup> October, 22<sup>nd</sup> November.

## c) Parish Council Website Accessibility Statement

The Clerk noted that any non-compliance issues were still being investigated and rectified so the completion of the statement would need to wait until next year.

#### d) Ben's Art Panels – agreement on when PC takes ownership of panels

Ben Holmes has confirmed that he is delighted for ownership of the art panels to be transferred to the Parish Council (to be held in trust for the parish). He has suggested a value of £400 per panel (for insurance purposes). 3239/1220 Members resolved that the Parish Council would take ownership of the panels once they had been 'finished'. The panels would be added to the Parish Council's insurance policy once ownership had been formally transferred.

## e) Report from Police Advisory meeting on 2<sup>nd</sup> December

David Pinchin gave the following report:

A police advisory meeting via Zoom was held on 2 December attended by PCC David Munro, Borough Commander Karen Hughes, Martin Allen, Samantha Head and myself.

Some very interesting discussions, both county and district-wide as well as local issues relating to Tatsfield.

As Becky reported at our last meeting recruitment has recently been taking place. That has been so successful with high quality candidates coming forward that there are already seven neighbourhood specialist police officers in post across Tandridge. PC Tom Warwick has joined Tandridge North which includes Tatsfield, alongside PC Wayne Stephens, and is now the named contact for the village. Hopefully, we will get the opportunity to meet with PC Warwick in the near future and also that there will be a more frequent police presence in the village.

We talked at some length about the recent unpleasant events in Tatsfield, particularly around the village centre, including bullying, threatening and other anti-social behaviour, damage to property, drug-taking and theft. Karen Hughes expressed real concern about this and promised an increased police presence. There has already been a good response to that with police visiting the village, particularly the village hall and car park areas. It has already had an impact with fewer gatherings of youths in the evenings.

Discussion also took place about the need for all crime, however minor, to be reported. This should be done via 101 or online at <a href="https://www.surrey.police.uk">www.surrey.police.uk</a>

This will be emphasised by Tandridge police on Tatsfield Talk and in the Parish magazine. Clearly people will be more likely to report a crime if there is confidence that it will lead somewhere. Apparently the 101 system is now working much more effectively than it has done in the past.

A few other things mentioned:

- While recruitment was currently good across the county, retention remained a cause for concern
- Surrey's clear-up rate was not as good as it should be despite the low level of crime
- A new Community Safety Partnership has been established with rural crime a priority
- Encouragement to use Crimestoppers if anybody fearful of reprisals after reporting
- Similarly, the use of <a href="www.fearless.org">www.fearless.org</a> for younger residents

A very positive meeting leaving us with a degree of confidence that issues in the village will be taken seriously by the Borough Commander.

#### f) TIB request for plant containers attached to new noticeboards

A request had been received by Jon Allbutt from TIB for self-watering containers to be purchased for the new noticeboards (to be attached to the uprights).

It was noted that the new noticeboards would be aluminium rather than timber. The new noticeboard had not yet been purchased and there may be provision for planting in the ground underneath. This would need to be deferred until the noticeboard had been purchased and installed.

## 11. Reports from County Councillor, District Councillor, Village Organisations and External Organisations

### a) County Councillor

Cllr Rush was not at the meeting and there was no report.

## b) District Councillor

Cllr Allen gave the following report:

- Government had announced a range of support for businesses and employees which will be administered by TDC – the Local Restriction Support Grant and the Additional Restriction Grant. Two payments had been made to Tatsfield businesses already. For the latest information and application forms, visit: <a href="https://www.tandridge.gov.uk/coronavirus">www.tandridge.gov.uk/coronavirus</a>
- The Parkwood Road boundary dispute went to mediation and matters seem to have settled down.
- 81 Paynesfield Road the situation remains unchanged.
- Parsons Shaw the situation remains unchanged.

- The Old Forge, Clarks Lane has been reported again as it appears that encroachment onto SCC land is happening again.
- Cllr Allen has attended the following meetings: Community Service, Planning Policy, Joint Consultative x2, Strategy and Resources, Audit and Scrutiny, Full Council and Training in an effort to explore ways to meet the budgets for the next two years.
- Cllr Allen also attended the Police Advisory meeting on 2<sup>nd</sup> December.

## c) Village Hall Management Committee

David Pinchin gave the following report:

I attended the VHMC meeting via Zoom on 2 December.

Lloyd had had early discussions with Sogosolar regarding the possible installation of solar panels on the village hall roof, hopefully to be funded by a BIFFA grant. An outline plan would be drawn up and submitted to the PC in due course. Subject to PC agreement, a grant application would then be made by the VHMC.

A plan was still awaited from Carol Gaskell regarding the resiting of the Ben Holmes art panels. There was discussion about the recent spate of vandalism. I reported on the meeting with the PCC and Borough Commander Karen Hughes who would be taking the matter of antisocial behaviour and crime in the vicinity of the hall extremely seriously. The general message was that any crime witnessed should always be reported.

#### d) THS

Stephen Mittins gave the following report:

THS held its first meeting with new Chairman, Pam Bishop, on 18<sup>th</sup> November. Jon Allbutt was elected as Vice-Chairman.

It is not yet known whether Coronavirus effects and restrictions would allow any events to take place in 2021. The Treasurer reported that it had been extremely difficult to produce a budget for 2021 due to the present uncertainties.

The Banksian Medal had been awarded to Sheree and Simon Cook.

The Grenfell Medal had been awarded to Dawn Forrester-Groom in acknowledgement of the support she had given the Society over the years.

Composting – it was noted that if no-one came forward to take over as organiser (to replace Phil Brett) then the scheme may have to close.

#### e) PFA

The Clerk gave the following report:

Tandridge District Council has confirmed that Tatsfield PFA had brought all arrears up-to-date as of 16<sup>th</sup> October 2020.

David King, PFA Chairman, emailed an update to say that there has been limited movement at Furze Corner. Some damage (bricks thrown at windows) has been made safe. One of the villagers has been using the space to host yoga classes (as and when restrictions have allowed).

Plans are afoot for the AGM to be held in January and the committee is still looking for additional volunteers to bolster numbers and assist in putting together a sustainable plan for Furze Corner.

#### f) Neighbourhood Plan

Martin Allen gave the following report:

Work continues on the Topic Papers and the Draft Plan. It is hoped that this will be completed over the Christmas and New Year period. If this is successful, then a Steering Group meeting will be called in January 2021.

## g) Citizens Advice

Stephen Mittins gave the following report:

A Trustee Zoom meeting was held on 30<sup>th</sup> November. Catherine Wyncoll, the CA Oxted manager, gave a report and an update on activities during Covid-19.

There had been no face-to-face meetings since 18<sup>th</sup> March 2020. All help and advice had been delivered by telephone or email.

CA Oxted assists anyone living and working in Tandridge.

This year, CA Oxted has helped 700 people to deal with 2,400 issues over multiple channels. 138 people have been helped with their disability benefits, including 35 appeals. CA Oxted has helped 320 people with 940 benefit issues resulting in a £200k increase in benefit income. 93 food parcels have been delivered to families in urgent need.

## 12. Parish Council Land/Property

#### a) Tatsfield Green

- Boundary Dispute (Under Part 2)

This would be discussed under Part 2.

- Parishioner request re wooden post installation on southern edge of Millennium Wood Stephen Mittins and the Clerk had visited the site to assess the damage being caused by horse riders, quad bike / scramble bike riders. These activities are prohibited on Tatsfield Green (except for one route for horse riders who have permissive rights). Stephen Mittins and the Clerk met Ian Hudson from TDC and he made several suggestions regarding ways to limit these users from accessing the green. He will email the Clerk suggestions and to confirm if TDC can fund all / any of the work.

#### b) AMB

- Redecoration The new tables were now in the meeting room. Alex Davies confirmed that she had begun the painting of the corridor leading from the meeting room to the kitchen. The second coat would be carried out soon.
- Re-opening for hirers the Parish Council had received a request to hire the meeting room for training. It would be ad-hoc hire and would involve a deep clean at the end of every day of hire. There is also the risk to the PC's tenants to consider.

3240/1220 Members resolved not to reopen the meeting room at the present time. This would be reviewed again at the January meeting.

#### c) Village Hall

- Little Acorns permission to install permanent gates adjacent to the fire exit door outside the VH (ratification) 3241/1220 Members agreed to the Little Acorns proposal, on condition that existing conditions were met i.e., the gate was left unlocked when Little Acorns was not in session.
  - TIB art panels on rear wall of VH (TIB / LA art project)
    Members noted that no proposals had been received from TIB and the Parish Council would be unable to consider this until such proposals were submitted.
  - TIB proposal to move mosaics from AMB external wall to VH
    Members noted that no information had been received from TIB regarding the proposed location of the
    mosaics and the Parish Council would not be able to consider this until this information was forthcoming.

#### d) Westmore Green

Christmas Lights – The Christmas lights were up and working. Many compliments had been received. David
Pinchin noted how fabulous the village centre looked and suggested that formal thanks from the Parish
Council were sent to both Chris McMullan from Magna IM and Ian Hayman from Tatsfield Aquatics for their
generosity and hard work.

## 12. Meetings to attend/ correspondence

None

#### 13. Matters for reporting or Inclusion in a Future Agenda

None

Final public participation:

- LA gates – should these be locked next to a fire exit door?

The meeting closed at 8.59pm

Note: the next meeting will be held on Monday 11th January 2021