

PINCHBECK PARISH COUNCIL

COUN. J. Avery presided at an Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting held at Pinchbeck Community Hub & Library, Pinchbeck on Monday 23rd August 2021, commencing at 7.30 p.m.

Attending was:

Coun. Mrs. E. Beavis
Coun. Mrs. A. Gregory
Coun. Mrs. A. Savage
Coun. Mrs. L. Andrew
Coun. Mrs. S. Jeffery
Coun. A. Chamberlain
Coun. D. Dickens
Coun. D. Houghton
Coun. T. Moore
Coun. P. Ruysen
Coun. O. Wood

Together with Clerk Mrs. Barbara Camps

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence

2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS FROM MEMBERS

None were registered.

3. TO DISCUSS, ESTABLISH AND AGREE ON THE EASTERN BOUNDARY OF PINCHBECK WOOD

There had been some uncertainty regarding the eastern boundary of the Pinchbeck Wood. The adjacent land-owner wished to ensure security of his premises to act as a deterrent against attempted break-ins. Unfortunately, there had been a delay in the Parish Council being made aware of the situation as the land-owner had been exchanging dialogue with the Woodland Trust. Unfortunately, the Woodland Trust inadvertently gave permission for the erection of security fencing along a marked-out path on the edge of the wood, when the permission should have sought from Pinchbeck Parish Council as owners of the land.

All members present furnished with copies of maps from H.M. Land Registry and Ordnance Survey together with photographs of stakes, along the eastern walk-through, indicating where the adjacent neighbour intended to erect the security fencing. Chairman advised relevant advice had been received from Mr. R. Start, Longstaffs and Mr. D. Hicken, Maples & Son Solicitors. The maps presented did not accurately illustrate the boundaries. The adjacent land-owner had commissioned a company to carry out a GPS Survey which is most accurate and all members were furnished with the outcome.

Historically between the two pieces of land there was a dyke, and formerly the middle of the dyke would have been recognised as the boundary and this was confirmed by Mr. R. Start and Mr. D. Hicken. Unfortunately, the dyke had at some time been filled in. Searches had been carried out to ascertain where the original concrete marker posts would have been located from decades ago, but no historical boundary marker posts could be found.

Following a show of hands, it was unanimously agreed that the stakes that had been put down on the pathway from the Glenside North were acceptable but the width of the new pathway on the Northgate side needed to be in a position 1.66m from the nearest tree, as indicated on photographs introduced by the Chairman. Otherwise, this end of the pathway would be too narrow. A letter also to be sent to the owners of Discount Leisure Products from Parish Council solicitor Mr. D. Hicken, Maples & Son. ensuring that legalities are adhered to and to emphasise the difficulty in confirming boundary location of the land. Essentially, it was agreed the Parish Council would accept the agreed location of the fence without objection, but would continue to dispute the location of the boundary and the subsequent land ownership, which should be based on the 'half dyke' principle. This would not prevent DLP installing their security fence.

FOR THE RECORD:

It was requested by Coun. D. Dickens and Coun. Mrs. A. Gregory their votes be recorded, both votes included in the unanimous decision.

4. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following planning applications were brought to the table:

To request an extension on time from SHDC for the following planning application
H14-0862-21 – Land off Wardentree Lane – Modification of S106 Agreement

To recommend objection to the following planning application, quoting overdevelopment/traffic/highways being main concerns

H14-0811-21 – Adj. 47 Milestone Lane – Erection of dwelling

There was no further business and therefore the meeting concluded at 9.40 p.m.