

BICKERTON & EGERTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the virtual meeting held

on Zoom on

Wednesday 14th October 2020 at 7.00 p.m.

Apologies	Apologies were received from Cllrs Burrows and Goodwin
In attendance	Present were Cllrs Stan Davies (Chairman), Clare Davies (Clerk), Latham, Mills, Proctor and Bourne
Matters arising	Since the lockdown in March, there hasn't been any meetings.
Accounts	<p>The Clerk reported bank balance as £2586.26 - the following cheques had been paid since the last meeting following email approval Zurich Insurance £180.32 Insurance renewal, Mrs C Davies £900 clerks wages. The annual accounts were passed by email to the councillors.</p> <p>It was agreed by all the Councillors that the Exemption Certificate should be signed for the external auditors and the Clerk would forward it to them without delay.</p>
Highways	<p>Flood by Waterworks Corner – nothing seems to have been done to rectify the problem – the grid is very clearly blocked and needs action as a matter of urgency.</p> <p>Footpath between Chipping laybe and Bickerton Poacher – this needs to be looked at again, as on a busy bank holiday earlier this year, the A534 had walkers on the middle of the road walking this stretch.</p> <p>Briar Cottage to Stone House Lane – hedging in need of cutting back by Council</p> <p>Bulkeley Hall Lane – as this is a dead end road, Cllr Mills asked if we could get dead end road signs erected at the two entrances off the A534. Also on this road, the amount of mud coming off the fields is causing the drains to be blocked and the road to flood when there is any quantity of rain.</p> <p>Goldford Lane – Cllr Bourne reported there to still be a lot of sand in the carriageway following the damage after the severe storm. The hedging opposite the vicarage on the derelict property needs tree surgery as it has grown up too tall even for a hedgecutter now – Clerk to try and contact the owner. Since lockdown, the amount of traffic on Goldford Lane has increased with the number of people now walking the hill. This has now amounted to people parking cars on the verges as opposed to using the national trust car park. Cars are being parked in field and house gateways and in such a way that it would be impossible for emergency vehicles and tractors to safely use the road. Maybe some police presence at busy times or notices asking people to use the village hall car park (with their permission)</p> <p>Long Lane – landslide after the severe storm – this has now been cleared, but need to find out if it is secure and won't happen again.</p>
Date and time of next meeting	The Clerk will arrange the next meeting in January under Covid guidance and will liaise with the Councillors via email/telephone accordingly.