

These figures were proposed by Cllr Johnson and seconded by Cllr Hampson. All members present agreed.

b) Cheques to be signed-

The clerk presented the list of cheques to be signed
Cheques to be signed 26.05.2020

| Chq No | April 2020 | | |
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| 2674 | Jon Butler | Handyman April 2020 | 75.00 |
| 2675 | David Jones | Village Green April/May 2020 | 70.00 |
| 2676 | BHIB | Council Insurance | 1154.56 |
| 2677 | J.S Fire | Community Hall Fire Extinguishers | 65.88 |
| 2678 | Countrymans | Urban Grass Cutting | 306.00 |
| 2679 | Cllr R Oliver | Plants for Planters | 17.99 |
| 2680 | T Dixon | Wages for May | 748.80 |
| 2681 | Rye Mutual Aid | Mask making | 50.00 |
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| DD | NEST | Clerk Pension, to note details only Employers Contribution £23.40 | 54.60 |

These figures were proposed by Cllr Apps and seconded by Cllr Nottage. All members present agreed.

NOTE: Cheques will be signed on Thursday 28th May, the clerk will drive to the first signatory and then to the second, observing social distancing.

23 Report/observation of the District and County Councillor –

District Councillor Johnson had the following report

Grounds Maintenance in the area is now getting back into place but it will take time to get things back to pre virus levels.

County Councillor Maynard joined the meeting at 7.45pm and had the following report.

Thanks to all the councillors and clerk for everything being done at this time, Working relationships between the tiers of government has been good, there were some small problems initially, but all is working well now.

Some, previously unknown, vulnerable people have been uncovered in the villages (none in Brede Parish) and are now receiving the help they need. There has been a good response with prescription and medical supplies support to those who need it.

Highways – initially there were several complaints received that Highways continued to work during lockdown, but they were social distancing and the patching has been done to a high standard.

Cllr Oliver enquired about rubbish collection on roads and Cllr Maynard responded that he believed it was working as normal.

Cllr Nottage had received an email about whether the villages were receiving any of the extra ESCC funding for temporary cycle lanes. This had been discussed with Cllr Maynard and replied to.

24 Statements, questions and comments from the public. None

Items for discussion

25 Election of Vice Chair – Cllr Armstrong had resigned since the previous council meeting, She was thanked for her hard work over the past 7 years. The correct paperwork had been served and displayed in the noticeboards. After some discussion Cllr Hampson was nominated by Cllr Johnson and seconded by Cllr Oliver. All members present agreed.

26 Signs for the Recreation Ground – The clerk had circulated two quotes for the signs, using the wording as prepared last year. A small change to the wording was requested and

the quote of Thompson signs was accepted. Proposed by Cllr Allison, seconded Cllr Oliver. All those present agreed.

- 27 Annual Report** – The clerk had circulated the end of year financial report, no questions were asked. Cllr Johnson proposed to accept the report, Cllr Hampson seconded. All those present agreed.
- 28 Decision on reissuing unpaid cheques** – The clerk had identified several cheques over 6 months old which had not been cashed. It was agreed that they should be traced, and the recipients contacted and new cheques reissued if required.
- 29 Grant to Rye Mutual Aid for Mask making** – The clerk had spoken to the Rye mutual Aid volunteers in the village. They were hoping to supply masks for all volunteers and donations towards the costs of materials were being sought. Cllr Hampson proposed that £50 should be sent, Cllr Apps seconded. All those present agreed. This payment was to be added to the cheques to be paid list.
- 30 Memorial Stone** – The memorial stone was briefly discussed and it was proposed that further discussions and decisions should be delayed until Council could meet properly in person. Proposed by Cllr Apps and seconded by Cllr Johnson. All those present agreed.
- 31 Review of Standing Orders** – The Standing Orders were due for review. Having been extensively reviewed last year no further changes other than a current date were required. Cllr Allison proposed that they were adopted, Cllr Hampson seconded. All those present agreed.
- 32 Newsletter** – With retiring Cllr Armstrong needing to give up her delivery round, there was some concern about the number that now needing to be posted. After some discussion it was decided that getting the newsletter to every household remained important and that the precept had been budgeted to allow for this. A new database for delivery and postal editions would be prepared by the clerk. The July edition was nearly complete and a request for new deliverers had been included.
- 33 Any other business:**
Community Hall. Cllr Nottage had sent off the claim for the Community Hall damage. Following the leak in the roof there was also some damage to the kitchen.
Best Kept Gardens. The details had been put in the newsletter. Cllr Oliver suggested that David Oliver may be happy to judge the competition. The Cllrs would take a section of the parish each and submit nominations during June and early July
Cllr Nottage Reedswood Estate.
Cllr Hampson Chitcombe Road crossroads to Goatham Lane
Cllr Oliver Pottery Lane and Close and St Marys Close
Cllr Apps Oakhill and Hawthorns and Furnace Lane
Cllr Johnson Udimore Road
Cllr Allison Cackle Street to the Church
The Categories are Best Estate Garden
 Best Hanging Basket
 Best Cottage Garden
- Clerks Appraisal.** Appraisal in due ion November. Job description for the current year to be as per job avert last year. Cllr Hampson and Oliver will consider doing the appraisal.
New Footpath Co-ordinator. Following the resignation of Cllr Armstrong a new footpath co-ordinator is required. To be considered for the next meeting. To note, all footpaths should be walked once a year.
- 34 Date of next meeting:**
Planning Meeting – Tuesday 9th May 7.30pm via Zoom
Brede Parish Council Meeting – Tuesday 30th June 2020 via Zoom (unless restrictions on meetings are lifted) at 7.30pm

With no further business, the meeting closed at 8.38pm.