

Otterton Parish Council

Minutes							
Date & Time	4 th May 2020		Location	Meeting via Zoom			
Councillors Present	Initials			Also Present	Initials		
Mr J Hiles	JH	Parish Councillor	Chair				
Mrs V Pride	VP	Parish Councillor	V.Chair				
Mr S Walker	SW	Parish Councillor					
Mrs S Young	SY	Parish Councillor					
Mr J Lister	JL	Parish Councillor					
Mr T Farrington	TF	Parish Councillor					

Apologies	Initials	Reason for Absence	Absent without Apology	Initials	
			Mr K Hill	K H	Parish Councillor

In Attendance	Initials	Capacity	Minutes to
F Mills	FM	Clerk	Councillors, website, notice board

	AGM: The rules governing the conduct of parish Councils state that the need for an AGM has been waived Until 2021 It was decided however to formally vote in a Chair & Vice Chair to provide leadership of the PC during these difficult times.	
1.	Cllr John Hiles was unanimously voted in and accepted the position of Chair of the OPC until May 2021	
2	Cllr Valerie Pride was unanimously voted in and accepted the position of Vice Chair of the OPC until May 2021	
3.	The Cllrs responsible for external bodies and areas within the PC's responsibility are as follows. The Village Green. Cllr Pride. Community Shop, War Memorial, Raleigh federation, Contracts & Finance Cllr John Hiles Stantyway Recreation Ground. Cllr Walker. Football Club & Jubilee Playground. Cllr. Farrington. The Cemetery – Cllr Lister. The Village Hall – Cllr Young. Village Defribulator – TBC	
Ref	Main meeting agenda item, comment & decision	Action Owner & deadline
1	Welcome & Apologies received from Cllr Paul Jarvis	
2	Declarations of Interests: There were no declarations of interest in items on the agenda.	
3	The minutes of the meeting held on 2 nd April were signed as a true record of the meeting.	
4	Public questions by email/letter: Letter from the management at Ladram Bay <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We just wanted to wish the Parish Council well in these mad times. We would also like to thank many of the Otterton residents for their kind support of Ladram Stores, which has allowed Mike and the team to continue provide the 8.00 - 18.00 service 7 days a week. • A resident has written to the Parish Council regarding the green messages on the road. The chair has spoken to the person who did this asking that the action is not repeated. • A resident has stated that there has been an influx of visitors parking at Stantyway to take exercise. Cllr Walker was not able to confirm this but a watching brief will be taken. • A resident has written to the Chair of the East Budleigh PC stating that residents from that parish are crossing the river to take their exercise. The Chair, whilst accepting that the guidance asks that people take exercise within walking distance of their homes, has urged tolerance. 	

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5	<p>Chairman's report: As we enter the 7th week of lockdown, UK deaths have reached 28675. It is clear that a little bit of lockdown fatigue has now set in, but we need to continue to follow the Government message to Stay at home, Protect the NHS and Save lives. In particular we need to continue to be patient, understanding, tolerant of and kind to our neighbours. We need to continue to help one another and keep an eye out for each other. Someone I know, not in the Parish, tragically died in their own home by choking. This wasn't caused by the virus, but is a sad consequence of the situation that no one was there to help. The virus has been in the Parish again this last month, so please continue to be careful and social distance from one another.</p> <p>Through the Association of Parish Councils we have received a message from Rt Hon Robert Jenrick MP about the great work going on at Parish council level which you can read in full in the attached papers. I would like to thank Ian Birch, Rosemary Birch, Dee Wood and Linda Lowes for the fantastic achievement of getting the Neighbourhood plan through EDDC inspection. The plan is now in these times effectively live, but still needs to be voted on in a referendum possibly in May 2021.</p> <p>Our VE Day party has had to change with the times and will now be a Virtual Tea Party. I hope you are still able to join in from home with our virtual party, which will take place online at https://www.facebook.com/VEDayparty/</p> <p>The time table of VE Day events will be;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 11am 2 minutes silence. The Parish Chair and RBL Col Bennett will lay a reef at the Memorial. - 12 noon onwards Tea party at home, click the Facebook link for music and interaction with others - 3pm National Toast and Churchill's speech on the BBC - 6.55pm A National Cry for Peace from the Village Green <p>https://www.veday75.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/03/Cry-for-peace-around-the-world-cert.pdf</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 7pm Peal of bells - 9pm Queens speech, followed by a national sing a long to we'll meet again. <p>“We'll Meet Again” Lyrics;</p> <p><i>We'll meet again, Don't know where don't know when, But I know we'll meet again Some sunny day. Keep smiling through, just like you always do 'Till the blue skies chase Those dark clouds far away. And I will just say hello, to the folks that you know Tell them you won't be long, they'll be happy to know that, as I saw you go You were singing this song, We'll meet again Don't know where Don't know when, but I know we'll meet again Some sunny day. And I will just say hello To the folks that you know Tell them you won't be long They'll be happy to know That, as I saw you go You were singing this song We'll meet again Don't know where Don't know when But I know we'll meet again Some sunny day.</i></p>	
6	<p>Planning matters: No planning applications received during this period.</p>	Clerk to action
7	<p>Reports from Councillors</p> <p>The Village Green. Cllr Pride - Some maintenance of tubs now needed. Thanks to local resident for watering.</p> <p>Community Shop. Cllr Hiles -Not quite as busy now, home deliveries continue.</p> <p>The War Memorial. Cllr Hiles - Needs weeding but will be ready for Friday's celebration</p> <p>Raleigh Federation. Cllr Hiles - Home schooling 6/7 children in attendance.</p> <p>Stantway Recreation Ground. Cllr Walker. Nothing to report</p> <p>Football Club & Jubilee Playground. Cllr. Farrington. Nothing to report</p> <p>The Cemetery – Cllr Lister. Nothing to report</p> <p>The Village Hall – Cllr Young - The village hall is currently closed and the village shop is using the lobby.</p> <p>Trees – Nothing to report</p> <p>Contracts & Finance – The renewal papers for BHIB have been received. The clerk will deliver to Cllr Hiles for his inspection before renewal.</p> <p>Village Defibrillator – Nothing to report.</p>	
8	<p>Correspondence: Information on County Lines from Dave Whelan, Collection of Green bins & opening of recycling centres from EDDC.</p>	

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9	<p>Financial matters: It was agreed that payments as detailed in the schedule sent with the Agenda 4.5.20 would be paid. The clerk has circulated the draft accounts 19/20 to the PC and will take them to the auditor tomorrow. A further claim for VAT paid is in progress.</p>	Clerk to action
10	<p>Further actions: None</p>	
11	<p>Items for agenda. It was agreed that for June this meeting's agenda will be replicated.</p>	Clerk to action
12	<p>It was agreed that the next meeting would take place on 1st June 2020 . The location and method to be decided nearer the time. Having now achieved a successful zoom meeting Cllr Hiles will seek to find ways to invite the public to the next meeting. (Thanks to Clr John Lister for setting up this meeting)</p>	