

THE MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 9<sup>th</sup> MARCH, 2021 WHICH WAS HELD VIA ZOOM AT 7.30 p.m. AS PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS SHOULD CONTINUE TO BE HELD VIRTUALLY DUE TO THE CORONAVIRUS EMERGENCY WHERE PUBLIC MEETINGS ARE NOT ABLE TO BE HELD.

Cllr Delmege (Chairman), Cllr Childs, Cllr Watts, Cllr Rutherford, Cllr Rappini, Cllr Brenchley and the Clerk Mrs Anne Collins were present. District Councillor Mclean was present for part of the Meeting.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Apologies were received from County/District Councillor Humby, District Councillor Miller and Councillor Taylor.
2. ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST UNDER THE CODE OF CONDUCT. A Declaration of Interest was made by Cllr Brenchley on item 8(a) on the Agenda.
3. THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 9<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY, 2021 WERE AGREED, AND WILL BE SIGNED AT THE NEXT AVAILABLE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING.
4. MATTERS ARISING:
  - (a) Review of table/seating at The Sawmills. Deferred at the moment.
  - (b) Locating SID sign in Parsonage Lane and Durley Street proposals. Cllr Delmege to report on any progress with HCC. There was no further update.
  - (c) Update on footpaths/Meeting with ROW Officer. Deferred until a visit is possible.
  - (d) Older childrens' play equipment update on donations/sponsorship/grant. Clerk reported that we were unsuccessful in receiving a Grant of £500 towards a piece of gym equipment from WCC. Clerk outlined the costings and the finance put aside towards this equipment. There is a shortfall if we purchase 5 pieces of equipment, however the installation costs would be the same if the equipment was all installed at the same time. Clerk has informed the gym equipment provider that we were unsuccessful in our recent Grant and they are looking to see if any costs could be re-calculated. Cllr Rappini offered to supply and erect the heras fencing to save on some cost. Councillors agreed that when a response is received a decision will be made on whether to purchase 4 or 5 pieces of equipment.
  - (e) WW2 commemorations in Durley. Deferred at the moment.
  - (f) WCC/Winacc Climate Change Meeting (23.2.21) – Cllr Taylor and the Clerk attended the Meeting and a summary of the details from the Meeting were circulated by Cllr Taylor. Carbon Footprints for each Parish is being carried out and further information will be sent to Parish Councils. The HCC Solar Panel Initiative has been circulated and solar panels are already placed on the Durley Memorial Hall roof. Cllr Rutherford will co-ordinate the village litter pick when restrictions are lifted sufficiently. Cllr Delmege said that under the Greening Campaign residents could get involved with their own ways of reducing climate change.
  - (g) WCC Local Plan response from Parish Council. Councillors agreed that a draft response would incorporate the evidence from the recent Parish Plan Questionnaire which was completed by residents. Councillors would look at the Consultation and Response Form so that a response can be formulated.
5. COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT: CC Humby. There was no Report available.
6. DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' REPORTS: DC Humby, DC Miller and DC Mclean. DC Mclean discussed recent fly tipping, the new brown bin waste collections and the bottle bank recycling bins at Durley Memorial Hall with Councillors.
7. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ITEMS BY INVITATION OF THE CHAIRMAN. There were no residents present who wished to participate.
8. CORRESPONDENCE:

- (a) Enquiries regarding purchase of Parish Council land. Clerk has received 2 more enquiries about purchasing Parish Council land at The Sawmills. Councillors agreed that a starting point should be that the Clerk clarifies if we are able to sell Parish Council land. The Clerk will make an enquiry to HALC.
  - (b) Adverde flexible litter pick support service. Clerk read out an e-mail in which Adverde are offering to help residents with litter picking initiatives in their areas. Cllr Rutherford and Cllr Taylor will see if this is an idea that could be taken forward.
  - (c) E-mail enquiry regarding footpath signs in Greenwood Lane. Cllr Brenchley will look at the signs and see if there is a problem that should be reported to the landowner. Cllr Delmege also offered to look at the signs.
9. SCHOOL REPORT: There was no School Report available. Cllr Delmege said that he had spoken with Kirstie and the whole School was back after the lockdown on 8<sup>th</sup> March.
10. RECREATION GROUND REPORT: Cllr Watts reported that football matches will re-start again on 29<sup>th</sup> March and the playing season will be to the end of June.
11. SAWMILLS REPORT: Cllr Rutherford reported that everything was fine in the play area and it was being well used at the moment. Update on planting in Millway Green – the area has been reinstated although the tree has not been planted yet. A little more top soil is required to fill in the hole left by the former tree.
12. NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH REPORT: Cllr Watts reported that there have been 26 crimes carried out locally, but only 1 in Durley along Stapleford Lane. 2 scams are circulating – one concerning boiler repairs and the other from Amazon. A suspicious van has been seen in the Upham area which might be used to steal dogs.
13. HIGHWAYS REPORT: Cllr Rappini reported that there are no particular highways issues at the moment. Clerk has reported damage to the edges of the roadside in the lay-by opposite Durley Church.
14. FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS: Financial Report for March is attached to these Minutes and cheques were agreed. A Budget to date was also circulated to the end of February, 2021.
15. HALL: Hall still closed due to Government restrictions with Covid-19 but it is hoped that we might be able to take some of the smaller bookings on 12<sup>th</sup> April. Clerk reported that a further Grant has been received to cover some of the loss of income from Hall hirings.
16. UPDATING OF DURLEY PARISH PLAN. Summary of results have been distributed to residents. Updates on the following:
- (a) Broadband – Cllr Brenchley reported that he has had 2 Meetings with the 3 residents helping him with this project. He is waiting for the Budget from BT to see what BT will offer.
  - (b) Mobile phone signal – Cllr Childs said that he has written to the 3 main providers and Vodaphone has responded and tried to tweek the current signal. EE responded and could not understand what the issue was and O2 have not responded at all.
  - (c) Greening Campaign – Cllr Rutherford will follow up on the village litter pick when restrictions allow. The HCC Solar panel initiative has been circulated.
  - (d) Flooding Risks – Cllr Rappini is still waiting for a response from his enquiry to HCC Highways regarding ownership of land adjacent to the highway. Clerk has followed this up twice, but will follow up again for a response.
17. PLANNING:
- 21/00194/FUL. Mr Sullivan. Replacement of the existing dwelling and temporary use of the proposed garage as residential accommodation for use by the applicant during the construction. Larkfield, Kytes Lane, Durley. Councillors agreed that they had concerns about a small dwelling in the countryside being made into a much larger property.

20/02752/FUL. Msrs Saunders, Keet and Castle. The use of land as a travellers caravan site consisting of 13 no. caravans and associated development. The Paddock, Durley Street, Durley. As this Planning Application was only received today it was agreed that a separate Planning Meeting should be held so that the views of residents could formulate our response. As we are not able to hold face to face Public Meetings at the moment Councillors agreed that we should advertise the Planning Application in the usual way and ask that residents copy in the Parish Council with their views so that we can discuss our response at a Zoom Meeting on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30 p.m. as the closing date for comments is 23<sup>rd</sup> March. Clerk will check with WCC Planning Department that this is an acceptable way to get our response in, as Councillors felt that if there were a large number of residents giving their opinions it would be too difficult to manage via Zoom.

18. THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 10.10 p.m.