

# **AULT HUCKNALL PARISH COUNCIL**

## **Minutes of Virtual Meeting held 16<sup>th</sup> September 2020 at 2:00 pm**

Present

A Syrett (Chair)	T Clough
T Trafford	H Perkins
S Poole	T Howell

In attendance:

R Price - Parish Clerk & RFO

R Fearn – Manager Doe Lea Centre

### **217/20 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from D Adsetts-Moesley, L Adsetts-Moseley and Councillor C Moesby

### **218/20 Declaration of Interests**

T Howell declared an interest in Item 14 on the agenda.

### **219/20 Resignation of Councillor**

The Clerk reported that Councillor Norma Darby had submitted her resignation. The Chair referred to her long and valuable service both to the parish council and to the community. Members unanimously agreed that their sincere thanks and best wishes for a long and happy retirement, from public duties, be sent to Norma.

### **220/20 Public Forum**

S Poole re-raised an issue concerning the dangerous parking on Mansfield Road, which continued to cause problems. The Clerk was asked to speak with PCSO D Hancock and also to work with S Poole to prepare some polite notices that could be placed in the areas where the problems occur, as well as placing on vehicles belonging to repetitive offenders.

T Trafford reported that the sculpture had now been entered for a National Award and that assessors would be visiting the site at 9:30 am on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September. Members were encouraged to attend, as were those who had been involved in the process of choosing the design

### **221/20 Minutes of Last Meeting**

The minutes of the last meeting of the Parish Council 15<sup>th</sup> July 2020 were approved and confirmed as a true record

### **222/20 Police Matters**

No items were raised

### **223/20 Report of County Councillor**

Councillor Moesby had submitted his apologies

### **224/20 Report of District Councillor**

Councillor Clough reported on discussions currently taking place relating to proposals for the future development of unitary authorities. More information could be found on the DCC website.

### **225/20 Lets Get Things Going – Grant funding BDC**

The Clerk informed Members the above grant funding had now been received. The Chair, Parish Clerk and Centre Manager had discussed a variety of options to meet the requirements of the grant and a report would be brought back to a future meeting

### **226/20 Parking Bays at Old School Close**

The Clerk reported on further discussions with BDC who had specified that they would be meeting the cost of resurfacing the roadway at Old School Close. The Clerk was continuing to speak with them concerning the preferred surfacing for the parking bays. A further report would be brought back to the Parish Council once firm costings had been received..

### **227/20 Proposed Stockley Trail to Stainsby Mill Cycle Route**

The Clerk referred to the proposals received from BDC which had been circulated to all members. She confirmed that BDC had been informed that the Willow Walk route was the preferred option as this would provide the least disruption to the residents of West Street.

### **228/20 Christmas Displays**

The Clerk reported on some possible options for Christmas displays as an alternative to the solar Christmas trees. It was agreed that investigation be made into a possible real Christmas Tree to be sited near the sculpture. In addition the solar Christmas trees to be retained for the hamlets. Richard reported that they would continue to look at options for a Christmas Fair/Santa at the Centre whilst complying with current and possible future restrictions

### **229/20 Doe Lea Centre**

The Manager, Richard Fearn, reported to Members on the following matters: The boiler had been serviced. Some faults had been found but these had now been rectified at a cost of around £430. Several of the groups had now started back at the Centre – all in compliance with restrictions. Slimming World, Craft and Chat, Crochet Club, a private craft group and Yoga were now meeting. Children’s dance sessions were due to commence the following Wednesday. The Post Office was now back on Fridays and had been getting increased customers

### **230/20 Parish Projects Stainsby School**

The Chair reported that a Development Plan had now been drafted together with a Memorandum of Understanding for signature by a number of partners. These documents had been sent to National Trust inviting them to support the proposals and work in partnership to ensure the sustainable future of the school.

### **231/20 Allotment Matters**

There were no allotment issues

### **232/20 Applications for Grant Aid**

An application was received from St John the Baptist Church Ault Hucknall for grant aid to support the maintenance of the churchyard. Normal annual costs were in the region of £1800 but these had increased recently as the Community Payback Scheme which was normally used, had not been available to them during lockdown. Members discussed the fact that the church served both Ault Hucknall and Glapwell parishes and it was therefore agreed that a grant of £900 be made towards the costs of maintenance.

### **233/20 Payment of Accounts**

(a) The following accounts were approved for payment

<b>Parish Council</b>		
E R Price	Clerk Salary August	£1013.08
	Clerk salary September	£1174.70
K Gent	Parish Warden Salary August	£508.05
	Parish Warden Salary September	£577.95
HMRC	PAYE & NI	£338.58
		£335.98
Vodafone	Parish Mobile	£32.78
		£64.02
AML Midlands Ltd	Microsoft 365 Business & Cloudcare (22088)	£14.28
Outdoor Projects	Grass cutting hamlets	£350.00
	Cut path to Stainsby	£150.00
Clarkes Services	Maintenance Doe Lea Sports Ground Aug	£330.00
	Maintenance Doe Lea Sports Ground Sept	£330.00
Woolley Moor nurseries	Summer Planters	£3270.00
<b>Doe Lea Centre</b>		
AML Midlands Ltd	VOIP Calls (22104) and VOIP Rental broadband (22138)	£1.13
		£72.60
HSA	Fire Protection	£123.82
		£417.07
Cathedral Leasing	Hygiene services	£46.02
Crown Gas & Power	Gas	£43.79
Midshire	Photocopies	£104.65
Kudos Office Supplies	Stationery	£47.32
	Stationery	£19.19
J Butler	Boiler Repairs	£435.00

### **(b) NALC Pay Award**

The Clerk reported that the NALC Pay Award had now been agreed and was to be backdated to 1<sup>st</sup> April 2020. The increase averaged 2.7%

### **234/20 Planning Applications**

No planning applications had been received for consideration

### **235/20 Mainstay - Management Committee**

S Poole met recently with Melanie Barker, who has taken over as Property Manager responsible for looking after Mainstay's interests on the recent development part of Doe Lea and he gave the following report –

Mainstay are the company whose services are engaged by Doe Lea (The Brambles) Management Company of which Steve is one of the 3 resident directors, to maintain the common areas/green space, permacrib wall etc and keeping residents aware of/upholding the TP1s which were part of their contracts when purchasing houses on the estate. The purpose of Melanie's visit was to introduce herself and do her initial walk around/observation/assessment of the estate.

She appeared very impressed with how the properties and environment were being maintained, and I gave her some background on the village's history, heritage etc and the work done by the PC. Although she's from Leeds, she has previously managed a development in Heath and therefore already had some local knowledge...but was mightily impressed by the PC's work, projects etc and the input residents had into the estate's original development.

It was agreed that Ms Barker be invited to a future meeting of the Parish Council

### **236/20 Request re area for dog training**

The Clerk reported that she had received a request from a dog trainer for use of an area of land on the recreation area to undertake dog training sessions.

It was agreed that the Clerk discuss this further with the groundsman, with possible suggestions for the use of the large recreation area away from the children's play area, or the area of land which the PC lease from DCC on the opposite side of the A617

### **237/20 Date of Next Meeting**

It was agreed that the next meeting of the Parish Council be held on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October at 2:00 p.m.