

# **AULT HUCKNALL PARISH COUNCIL**

## **Minutes of Virtual Meeting held 21<sup>st</sup> October 2020 at 4:00 pm**

Present

A Syrett (Chair)	T Clough
T Trafford	H Perkins
S Poole	L Adsetts-Moseley
D Adsetts-Moseley	

In attendance:

Councillor C Moesby - DCC  
R Price - Parish Clerk & RFO  
R Fearn – Manager Doe Lea Centre

### **238/20 Apologies for Absence**

An apology for absence was received from T Howell

### **239/20 Declaration of Interests**

H Perkins declared an interest in Item 17 on the agenda

### **240/20 Public Forum**

No matters were raised in the public forum

### **241/20 Minutes of Last Meeting**

The minutes of the last meeting of the Parish Council 16<sup>th</sup> September 2020 were approved and confirmed as a true record.

It was reported that the assessors had visited the sculpture at Doe Lea and was met by several people. He was interested in the background to the sculpture. The assessor would make a recommendation in relation to the National Award. The results were still awaited.

### **242/20 Police Matters**

Members reported that there continued to be issues with apparent drug dealing around the Willow walk area. The Clerk was asked to contact the PCSO about this matter

### **243/20 Report of County Councillor**

Councillor Moesby reported that the County Council were having virtual meetings. They had received some funding to enable some work to potholes in the county. There was still some funding available from his community pot but this would have to be allocated before the end of December.

### **244/20 Report of District Councillor**

Councillor Clough reported that small environmental grants were being made available by BDC. She had identified an area near the bus stop at Bramley Vale, in the ownership of the District Council, which had been put forward for consideration. Small business grants were available for those who had not been eligible for the coronavirus government grants. Bolsover TV were looking for businesses in the district who were wanting to promote their business. At the moment it was looking unlikely that the White paper – Vision

Derbyshire, would be going ahead. Councillor Moesby, in his capacity as portfolio holder for Finance and Community Safety, advised the meeting that, although there was a lot of uncertainty around local government funding, Bolsover had in the past planned well, and consequently were not in too bad a position. This would be reviewed regularly but, at the moment, it was unlikely that they would be losing staff or services.

#### **245/20 Community Trees**

The Clerk reported receipt of information from BDC concerning the distribution of trees by the Woodland Trust. BDC invited the Parish Council to nominate areas within their ownership which could be suitable for investment in tree planting.

Members suggested that possible sites could be on the recreation ground, on the site at the rear of the ex St Johns building off A617 and around the pit wheels at Bramley Vale. It was also suggested that the National Trust may be interested for some planting at Hardwick.

#### **246/20 HS2 – Latest Information**

Members discussed the latest information received from HS2 setting out a proposed delay to the Eastern Leg of High Speed 2 in favour of prioritising the Western Leg of Phase 2B from Crewe to Manchester. The Government plans to present an Integrated Rail Plan for the North and Midlands by the end of the year.

#### **247/20 Neighbourhood Plan**

The Chair referred to the plans discussed previously to consider the development of a Neighbourhood Plan. It was agreed that an article be placed in the next Newsletter to provide the community with information on the benefits of having a plan and ways in which they may be able to become involved.

#### **248/20 Bus Shelters**

The Clerk reported that she had requested quotes for the cleaning of the bus shelters in the parish council's ownership. It was agreed that, subject to the affordability of the price, the Clerk be authorised to accept the lowest quotation, commission the cleaning of the bus shelters and report back to the next parish council meeting

#### **249/20 Football Field and Recreation Area**

- a) **Drainage** – the Clerk reported that she was awaiting a quote for the installation of drainage on the football field to alleviate the boggy area around the base of the mound between the two levels of the football field and the play area
- b) **Changing Rooms** – It was agreed that the Clerk explore the costs of replacing the existing changing room building with a pre-fabricated custom building, together with any funding which may be available.
- c) **Dog Training** – the Clerk reported that the applicant was investigating the use of the football field rather than the area adjacent to the play area.

#### **250/20 Christmas Displays**

The Clerk reported that she was investigating the possibility of the provision of real trees with solar lighting at Doe Lea and Bramley Vale. A response was still awaited from DCC regarding permission to site the trees.

### **251/20 Doe Lea Centre**

The Manager, Richard Fearn, reported to Members on the following matters:  
The Centre was currently in Tier 1 and he was keeping as many sessions going as possible, whilst complying with regulations. Some of the groups had decided not to continue at this stage because of the vulnerability of their members.

The dance sessions and yoga sessions were doing quite well and the Post Office was continuing to visit on Fridays.

Holiday Wednesday would be held in half term week, within the requirements of the regulations. Food Parcels would be handed out together with Halloween activity packs.

Richard was looking for ways to mark Remembrance Day within the regulations

The final 2 blinds had now been replaced

There had, to date, been no decision on the Landfill Community Fund bid for an induction loop system, PA system and white screen and projector

### **252/20 Parish Projects Stainsby School**

A response had been received from National Trust explaining that many of the staff had been furloughed until the end of October. It was agreed that the Trust be asked for permission, and for access, to undertake a survey of the building to ascertain what needed to be done in order to make it safe.

### **253/20 Allotment Matters**

There were no allotment issues

### **254/20 Applications for Grant Aid**

An application was received from Doe Lea Valley Community Partnership for a grant of £150 to enable them to continue enhancing the Willow Walk. It was reported that there were some new volunteers helping on the scheme. It was Resolved that a grant of £150 be made.

### **255/20 Financial Matters**

#### **(a) Audit of Accounts 2019/2020**

The Clerk distributed copies of the AGAR and the Auditor's report to all members. She reported that the Audit for 2019/2020 had been completed and the auditor had not raised any issues. The notice of inspection and the Accounts had been published on the Parish Council website.

#### **(b) Payment of Accounts**

The following accounts were approved for payment

<b>Parish Council</b>		
E R Price	Clerk Salary October	£1040.15
K Gent	Parish Warden Salary October	£584.00
HMRC	PAYE & NI	£414.56
Helping Environmental	Hand Litter Picker	£25.43
PMC Polythene	Dog Bags	£143.10
Vodafone	Parish Mobile	
PKF Littlejohn	Audit fee	£480.00

AML Midlands Ltd	Microsoft 365 Business & Cloudcare (22308)	£14.28
Outdoor Projects (Sept)	Grass cutting hamlets	£350.00
Clarkes Services	Doe Lea Sports Ground	£330.00
	Doe Lea fenced strip	£200.00
Outdoor Projects (Oct)	Grass cutting hamlets	£350.00
Bolsover District Council	Dog and Litter Bin Empty	£436.80
<b>Doe Lea Centre</b>		
AML Midlands Ltd	VOIP Calls (22432)	£1.02
	VOIP Calls (22324)	£2.16
	VOIP Rental and broadband (22347)	£72.60
	Office & Avast	£43.14
Martin Bruno	Payroll	£180.00
Cathedral Leasing	Hygiene services	£46.02
Crown Gas and Power	Gas	£54.00
Bolsover District Council	Trade Waste	£471.64
Bolsover District Council	Licensing Fee	£180.00
Gymfit	Gym equipment annual maintenance	£222.00

### (c) Software and Publication

The Clerk requested consideration of the purchase of the following

#### (i) Easypc Accounts

A supported software programme specifically designed for parish councils called Easypc accounts. The cost for purchase and ongoing support is £50 per year.

#### (ii) Charles Arnold Baker

The up to date edition is due to be published at a cost of £149.99.

#### (iii) Foxit Phantom pdf Editor

A software programme which enables you to edit, copy and combine pdf documents with a licence fee of £126.05.

Members approved the purchase of all three items. Items (ii) and (iii) costs to be split with the Parish Clerk's other parish council

### 256/20 Planning Applications

The following applications were considered and no objections were raised

20/00334/FUL	Ms J Sivalingham	5 Mansfield Road Bramley Vale	Change of Use from Café to Hot Food Take away
20/00409/LBC	National Trust	Hardwick Hall	Replacement of lead roof with new to west loggia roof and associated repairs and alterations
20/00270/FUL	Andre Compton	Holme Farm, Out Lane, Stainsby	Redevelopment of existing stables to form consolidated livery, boarding kennels and garage building

**257/20 Items for Information**

The Clerk reported that there was a requirement to comply with website accessibility regulations. A statement had been placed on the Parish Council's website. An independent skilled person had checked the website and agreed that the statement was correct.

The Clerk had received an enquiry about fibre broadband in the hamlets. Members discussed the matter and concluded that individuals should be able to access this through their own providers.

T Trafford reported that Dan Oakley was in discussions with DCC about the issues they were having in relation to the lighting of the sculpture

**258/20 Date of Next Meeting**

It was agreed that the next two meetings of the Parish Council should be held on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2020 and Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2021 at 2:00 p.m.