

# AULT HUCKNALL PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of Meeting held 16<sup>th</sup> March 2022 at 6:30 pm at Doe Lea Centre

### Present

A Syrett  
(Chair)  
T Trafford  
T Howell

L Adsetts-Moseley  
D Adsetts-Moseley  
S Poole  
R Hill-Harmsworth

### In attendance:

R Price - Parish Clerk & RFO  
R Fearn  
J Barron - DCC  
2 members of the public by Zoom

### **538/21 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from P Clough and J Wright

### **539/21 Declaration of Interests**

A Syrett and T Trafford declared an interest in a planning application and letters to be considered at Item 14 on the agenda

### **540/21 Public Forum**

Two residents attended the meeting via Zoom. They made reference to their recent purchase of Stainsby School, their wish to bring the property back into full repair and looking forward to collaborating with the community in the future.

### **541/21 Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2022**

The minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2022 were approved and confirmed as a true record, with the following amendment to Minute No

**532/21** - ..... Invite them to have a conversation with parish council **representatives** .....

### **542/21 Police Matters**

There were no police matters to report from the parish council

### **543/21 Report of County Councillor**

Councillor Barron requested a minute's silence in remembrance of those affected by the war in Ukraine. He reported his intention to meet with Highways department to discuss the A617 from Junction 29 to Pleasley, pointing out all the issues occurring on that stretch of road. He would notify the parish council when he had a date. The care home consultation had now closed. He had £375 per parish available to each parish in his patch for jubilee events/activities.

### **544/21 Doe Lea Centre**

The Manager submitted the monthly financial report and session numbers for Doe Lea Centre. He also reported on Holiday Wednesday Activities, Live and Local, Maintenance and Improvements to the Centre, grant applications, new

projects and ongoing projects, Dancing Flowers Celebration of Music event, in collaboration with Bramley Vale Primary School The report was received.

Members also received notes of the meeting of the Management Committee held on 10<sup>th</sup> March. The Chair referred to the Management Committee's decision to review the hours and salary of the Community Development and Business Manager following his appraisal meeting. It had been agreed to increase his hours from 30 to 37 hours per week at point 23 on the NJC scale. The Parish Council were asked to endorse this decision as they grant aided the salary payments for Doe Lea Centre.

It was Proposed, Seconded and Resolved that the report be accepted and that the decision to increase the hours and salary as detailed be endorsed and accepted.

### **545/21 Neighbourhood Plan**

The Clerk circulated the notes of the Neighbourhood Plan meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2022, and members were reminded that the next meeting would be held on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2022.

### **546/21 Parish Projects**

#### **Future Investment in Community Facilities**

The Chair reported that there had been no contact or progress with National Trust. The relationship with the NT locally had been a real issue. NT own most of the properties within the parish in the rural area, creating somewhat of a problem in finding a suitable replacement for Stainsby School.

Under The Social Value Act 2013 it is obligatory for all government offices to take social value into account in their activities. In relation to other public bodies, such as the NT, is advisory and recognised as good practice. NT had specified that they recognised that it was good practice but that they did not intend to put it into practice in their dealings. Whilst the NT is a charity, financial decisions also have to go to the Treasury. The Digital, Culture, Media and Sport Select Committee have a sub-committee which is looking at a number of things, including the activities of the NT. The Chair proposed that this Parish Council make representations to the Sub Committee that it should be obligatory for the NT to take social value in to account in their dealings.

The case could centre around the lack of benefit that NT, with all their resources, brought to communities – no evidence of local employment, low cost housing, lack of re investment in the area where properties have been sold off in excess of £1m, no consultation with communities or representatives of the community, and a refusal to consider social value in their recent sale of property in this area.

This action would not cost the parish council anything. A specialist advisor had offered to take on the case. Whilst the action was unlikely to directly benefit this parish council, it was possible that many other areas in the country may benefit in the future if the action was successful.

Members were in full agreement with taking this proposal forward.

#### **Sculpture**

It was reported that a very successful event had taken place with Bramley Vale School and Orchestra Live, centred around the sculpture. It was agreed that a letter of thanks be sent to the Arts Officer at BDC for co-ordinating the event.

## **Ramp**

The Clerk had been in contact again with BDC re the status of arrangements on the ramp, but unfortunately there had been no progress. The survey had still not been carried out. The Clerk was asked to chase BDC up and enquire whether the survey was something that could be arranged by the parish.

## **Recreation Ground**

The Clerk continued to work with the contractor to put together some proposals and ideas with some costings, for the provision of a 5 a side pitch with car parking, solar floodlighting and seating/covered areas for young people.

## **Queen's Jubilee Event**

It was also reported that the tree planting, financed by a grant from the Tree Council, had taken place on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March. Several members of the parish council and a couple of residents had attended – in pretty awful weather. It was agreed that the Clerk be authorised to source a plaque to identify the trees as a commemoration of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

The Manager of the Centre was liaising with the Miners Welfare to see how they could collaborate for an event. DLVCP would be holding their annual barbecue and branding it as a Jubilee event.

## **547/21 Allotment Matters**

The Chair reported that an issue had been raised about the policy of locking the allotment gate whilst allotment holders were on site. It was felt that this could be a health and safety issue where a sole allotment holder was on site, if they became ill. It was suggested that the holders be advised to close but not lock the gates when there was only one person on site.

## **548/21 Applications for Grant Aid**

There were no applications for grant aid

## **549/21 Financial Matters**

### **Pay Award 2021**

It was reported that the salary award with effect from April 2021 had been agreed by NJC. It was agreed that the new scales be adopted to take effect from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021.

### **Report of Income and Expenditure to 28<sup>th</sup> February 2022 and Payment of Accounts March 2022**

Members accepted the Clerk's report on income and expenditure to date and the following accounts were approved for payment

### **Payments for March 2022**

<b>Parish Council</b>		
E R Price	Clerk Salary March	£1054.55
K Gent	Parish Warden Salary March	£536.70
HMRC	PAYE & NI February	£356.93
Eon	Electric changing rooms	£22.90
Shelter maintenance	Cleaning of bus shelters 14153	£44.78
Vodafone	Parish Mobile	£
AML Midlands Ltd	Microsoft 365 Business & Cloudcare 26317	£14.28

ER Price	Post Office Stamps Newsletter	£114.75
Lees Garden Services	Works to Changing Rooms Invoice 130 Clear planters Changing Rooms Tree planting	£80.00 £914.50 £80.00
Bolsover District Council	Extreme Wheels 21/22	£5812.00
Spire	Refuse Sacks	£16.74
Andrew Towleron	Neighbourhood Plan consultant Inv 1 Inv 2	£2640.00 £2880.00
Roy Nadin Print	Printing of Newsletter	£299.25
Spa Engineering	Parts for mower changing rooms	£408.91
Derwent Treescapes	Trees (grant from Tree Council)	£304.42
M Markowitz	Commercial paint and associated materials for changing rooms invoices 727702/727703	£664.55
<b>Doe Lea Centre</b>		
AML Midlands Ltd	Office & Avast (26231) VOIP rental & broadband (26338)	£43.14 £72.60
Cathedral Leasing	Hygiene services	£46.02
Drax Electric	Electric January	£237.27
Doe Lea Miners Welfare	Rent	£8.67
Crown Gas and Power	Gas	£312.81
Premier	Windows Feb	£60.00
Kudos	Snow clearing equipment	£44.76
Mint Security (18720)	Alarm maintenance	£960.00

### Bank Account Balances at 28<sup>th</sup> February 2022

Parish Council Current Account	£5124.02
Parish Council Doe Lea Centre Account	£4679.74
Deposit Account	£21170.42
Hardstoft Current	£10856.04
Hardstoft Deposit	£1834.94
BDC Investment Account	£14196.72

### 550/21 Planning Applications

Members considered the following applications

22/00127/FUL	The Mill Cottage, Hodmire Lane	Replacement of 2 flat roofs with pitched roofs to bedroom and entrance hall
22/00129/TCON	Hardwick Hall	T1 Large Yew prune back T2 sycamore crown lift T3 Yew reduce crown and removal of branches

22/00059/FUL (please see planning papers attached to email)	Former Stainsby Centre and Baden Powell Scouts Centre, Stainsby	Change of Use of premises as a single dwelling house and associated domestic curtilage
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Members considered application 22/00059/FUL together with letters received from the applicants. A number of errors of fact had been identified in the body of the planning application and these were circulated to all members. It was agreed that BDC be advised of the correction required to the errors and that members be copied into the full response to the application when it was submitted to BDC. Members were clear that they were not opposed to the purpose of the application. There had also been some concerns raised about the proposed change of name. Several residents had reported that this was leading to some confusion with existing similar property names, as residents at those properties had been experiencing incorrect deliveries. Finally members agreed that the applicants be thanked for making contact and offering support to the community. No comments were raised in relation to the other applications.

**551/21 Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting to be held on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2022, at Doe Lea Centre at 6:30 pm.