

# **AULT HUCKNALL PARISH COUNCIL**

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Dear Member

I have to inform you that the next meeting of **AULT HUCKNALL PARISH COUNCIL** will be held on **TUESDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2023** at **6:30 p.m.** at **Doe Lea Centre, Mansfield Road, Doe Lea.** **(PLEASE NOTE THE DAY AND TIME OF THE MEETING)**

**FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**  
**Members of the public may join the meeting in person**  
**For further information contact the Parish Clerk**  
**[theclerk@aulthucknallparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:theclerk@aulthucknallparishcouncil.gov.uk) or ringing 07587 107122**  
**Alternatively, you may join virtually by clicking on the link below**

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87040823843?pwd=VUsxY3Qybm0zQzVjdHAyNURlcFhKZz09>

Yours sincerely



Clerk & RFO

## **A G E N D A**

1. Apologies for absence
2. Declaration of Interests and to receive and approve dispensations relating to disclosable pecuniary interests (if any)
3. Exclusion of Public – to determine which items, if any, from the agenda should be taken with the public and press excluded
4. Public Forum
5. To confirm the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> December 2022
6. Police Matters
7. To consider a report from the County Councillor
8. To consider a report from the District Councillor
9. Doe Lea Centre
  - Report of Manager (to follow)
10. Parish Projects
  - (a) Ramp
  - (b) Sculpture
11. Applications for Grant Aid (if any)
12. Allotment Matters (see enclosed) (Members may consider moving this to Exclusion of Public)
13. Financial Matters
  - (a) To consider the Parish Council's budget and Precept requirement for 2023/2024. The attached Finance Report details expenditure and income to end of December 2022 with outturn forecast for the end of the financial year, together with anticipated balances at bank. Also enclosed is a chart detailing the impact of the level of precept on Band D properties based on the Tax Base for Ault Hucknall for 2023/2024.

- (b) Payment of Accounts December 2022 (attached)
- (c) Finance Report to end December 2022 (attached)
- 14. Planning Matters
  - (a) Planning Applications
- 15. Items for Information
- 16. Date of Next Meeting – Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2023
- 17. Exclusion of Public
- 18. Renewal of Lease – Doe Lea Centre – update if any
- 19. Negotiations in relation to the land for the installation of the ramp at Doe Lea

# **AULT HUCKNALL PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting  
Held 13<sup>th</sup> December 2022 at 6:30 p.m.

## Present

T Trafford (in the Chair)  
D Adsetts Moseley  
L Adsetts Moseley  
J Wright  
T Clough  
S Poole

## In attendance:

R Fearn – Manager Doe Lea Centre (for part of the meeting)  
R Price – Parish Clerk & RFO

### **678/22 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from A Syrett, T Howell and R Hill Harmsworth

### **679/22 Declaration of Interests**

There were no declarations of interest

### **680/22 Public Forum**

D and L Adsetts gave a report on their attendance at the District/Parish Liaison Meeting at BDC.

Reports were presented to the Liaison meeting on support for residents through the Treacle programme. This was in its infancy but they were urging members to bring it to the attention of the public. It had been identified that lack of computer literacy was preventing some people from accessing the help they needed so they were looking at other ways in which information could be distributed. Other information presented included the structure of the partnership, the Dragonfly project (house building programme), cemetery safety and the Cost of Living Action Plan. The Liaison Group had expressed an interest in moving around the parishes with their meetings and it was suggested that Richard be asked to contact them offering the Centre as a venue.

The Police and Crime Plan had also been presented to the meeting and all parishes present had complained about the lack of police presence both in their communities and with the parish council.

### **681/22 Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held 16<sup>th</sup> November 2022**

The minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 16<sup>th</sup> November 2022 were approved and confirmed as a true record.

### **682/22 Police Matters**

No police were present. The Clerk was asked to write to the police suggesting that the Police and Crime Commissioner had promised a closer liaison between the police and parish councils but that this had not appeared to be forthcoming.

### **683/22 Report of County Councillor**

Councillor Barron was not in attendance

### **684/22 Report of District Councillor**

Councillor Clough reported that she had been following up on the conversations relating to the ramp at Doe Lea. BCVS had opened an office in Bolsover. In relation to the Dragonfly project,(house building) plans were being put in place and it was likely that BDC would be the major shareholder in the proposed new company.

### **685/22 Grant Funding Prospectus**

The Clerk informed members of the Grant Funding Prospectus 2022-2023 from DCC and the types of projects which may be eligible for funding. It was agreed that the information be passed to the Manager of the Centre to identify whether there were any planned projects which may qualify.

### **686/22 Police and Crime Commissioner - Precept**

The Clerk reported receipt of an invitation from the Police and Crime Commissioner to comment on proposals for the setting of their element of the precept for 2023/24. The invitation was noted.

### **687/22 Extreme Wheels**

The Clerk reported receipt of invitation to commission Extreme Wheels in 2023/2024 at the same rates as the current year subject to the decision being notified before 19<sup>th</sup> December. It was also reported that the Manager of the Centre had been successful in obtaining some contribution towards the costs from grant funding. It was unanimously agreed that Extreme Wheels be commissioned for the same level of activities as 2022/2023

### **688/22 Appointment of New Manager – Hardwick Hall**

The Clerk reported that a new manager had been appointed at Hardwick Hall and it was agreed that she be invited to a future meeting of the parish council.

### **689/22 Doe Lea Centre**

### **Ault Hucknall Parish Community Management Committee - 5<sup>th</sup> December 2022**

Members received and noted a copy of the notes of the above meeting

#### **Report of Manager**

The Manager submitted a report to members who were happy with the content and supportive of the proposals he was making.

### **690/22 Parish Projects**

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

It was resolved to hold any decisions over on this matter until the council were more able to assess their financial position following negotiations on the lease of Doe Lea

#### **Sculpture**

The Clerk had been successful in dealings with Western Power but was now awaiting confirmation from the supply company that they were willing to take on the contract for the un-metered supply. Only two companies were being offered – Green Energy and SSE. Green Energy had already declined the contract and a response was currently awaited from SSE

#### **Ramp**

Members discussed recent conversations between the parish council, BDC and DCC concerning proposals for the arrangement for a ramp on land off East Street, Doe

Lea. Following several exchanges, DCC accepted that there had been a long standing agreement for a right of way for the ramp across their land. Negotiations were ongoing and the Clerk would work closely with Matt Connley from BDC to try and ensure that the matter was brought to a satisfactory conclusion.

### **691/22 Allotment Matters**

There were no matters to report.

### **692/22 Applications for Grant Aid**

There were no applications for grant aid.

### **693/22 Financial Matters**

#### **Report of Income and Expenditure to 30<sup>th</sup> November 2022 and Payment of Accounts December 2022**

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

#### **Payments for December 2022**

<b>Parish Council</b>		
E R Price	Clerk Salary Dec + arrears	£1730.30
K Gent	Parish Warden Salary Dec + arrears	£838.56
HMRC	PAYE & NI	£342.17
Eon	Electric changing rooms	£40.28 £41.57
Shelter maintenance	Cleaning of bus shelters (14657)	£47.02
O2	Parish Mobile	£
AML Midlands Ltd	Microsoft 365 Business & Cloudcare 28482	£14.28
Lees Garden Services	Invoice 167 – Winter Planting	£650.00
Roy Nadin	Parish Newsletter printing	£313.00
Viking	Envelopes & stamps Newsletter	£151.13
<b>Doe Lea Centre</b>		
AML Midlands Ltd	Office & Avast (28392)	£43.14
	VOIP rental & broadband (28536)	£72.60
	VOIP calls (28500)	£3.92
Cathedral Leasing	Hygiene services MI/469220	£46.02
Doe Lea Miners Welfare	Rent	£8.27

### **Appointment of External Auditor**

The Clerk reported that PKF Littlejohn had again be appointed as external auditors for the parish council for the ensuing 5 years

### **Report of Meeting with Financial Advisor**

The Clerk and Vice Chair reported that they, together with the Chair of the Council, had met with the Financial Advisor to discuss the status of the parish council's investments. Despite the volatility of the market and some quite dramatic dips over recent months, although the investment had lost some ground, the manager had managed to maintain some level of advancement. Both the manager and advisor were quite confident that the path that the parish council had taken was sustainable and that a request to increase the monthly drawdown from the investment should be possible. The increase was necessary to allow the parish council to continue to support the Doe Lea Centre salaries which had increased due to increased hours and the recent national salary award. It had also been suggested by the Financial Advisor that it may be prudent to begin involving more members of the parish council in the investment meetings to help the building of understanding for the future. S Poole and J Wright suggested that they would be interested in becoming involved.

### **694/22 Planning Applications**

22/00605/TCON	National Trust – Evelyn Devonshire Cottages	Works to Trees
22/00629/FUL	Emmafield Cottage, Chesterfield Road, Astwith	Erection of storage shed for agricultural use

Members noted the planning applications

### **695/22 Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Parish Council to be held on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

### **696/22 Exclusion of Public**

Resolved that the public be excluded from the meeting during discussion of the following items of business as they related to the business of a third party

### **697/22 Lease of Doe Lea Centre**

Members were informed that the Council's solicitor had not to date received a response from DLMW

### **698/22 Land at Doe Lea – Installation of Ramp**

Following a discussion about proposals for the land owned by DCC where the parish council had plans for the installation of a ramp, members agreed in principle to exploring a number of options to establish their interest in the land.