**MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL MEETING OF AUCKLEY PARISH COUNCIL**

**HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 19TH AUGUST 2020, COMMENCING AT 6.30 P.M..**

Present: Mrs. J. Worthington (Chairperson), Mr. S. Featherstone (Vice Chairman), Mr.I.Butterfield,

Mr. G. Payne, Mrs. S. Platts, Ms. J. Staniforth, Mr. I. Swainston, Mr. G. Warrender

In attendance Mrs. M. Caygill (Clerk)

1. **To Receive Apologies for Absence**

Received and accepted from Cllr Fiddler.

2. **To Receive Declarations of Interest and Any Amendments**

None declared.

3. **To Determine Exclusion of Public and Press**

There were no items considered in need of exclusion.

4. **To Approve Minutes of the Virtual Parish Council Meeting Held on 15th July 2020**

The minutes were approved as a true record.

5. **To Receive a Report from District Councillors and/or DMBC Officers**

No Ward Members or DMBC Officers joined the meeting.

6. **To Receive Police Report and Latest Crime Statistics**

Crime Report - 24 incidents occurring in Auckley during June 2020 were reported to the Police.

The local PCSO had been asked to patrol both Riverside Park, where broken glass had been found, and

and the new Hayfield Park where some young people had climbed over the railings to play in the MUGA

and were causing a noise nuisance. The Officer reports that they have been patrolling these areas, but

so far have not come across any incidents. Although not working as many evenings or weekends as

usual, they will continue to patrol these sites.

A report of the CAP Meeting held on 12th August has been circulated to Councillors.

7. **Matters Arising from the July Meeting**

a) Increased Number of HGV’s Using Roads in Auckley - Cllr Jones advises that Ward Members will

add the Parish Council’s concerns into the discussions they are having with Highway Officers with

respect to the movements of HGV’s. The first step will be to instigate a traffic survey to be

conducted in conjunction with the forthcoming road closure

b) Cars parked on Verges Outside Hayfield Lane Primary School DMBC Highway Officer advises

that they will be starting Mobile Patrols in this area when schools re-open. They were already

conscious of the problem beforehand but, due to the number of schools, they have a data base and a

roster for complaints.

c) S106 Funds – Ward Cllr Jones advises there are no other funds, other than the £53,033 previously

quoted.

d) Application to Hold Keep Fit Sessions at Riverside Park – The local resident who applied to use

the field has not provided any insurance details or notified the Clerk that sessions will take place.

e) Nisa Store – The Clerk has contacted the Planning Officer to report that the fencing, specified to

be erected as part of the planning permission for the air-conditioning units, has not been erected

Following this, the Enforcement Officer has sent a letter to the owner requesting the installation of

the fence within 28 days, or an acceptable schedule of works for completion.

f) Overspill Car Park, Hayfield Lane – Awaiting a reply from DMBC’s Enforcement Officer. It was

agreed to write again and stress that this matter needs to be settled before children go back to school.

g) Use of Football Pitch – The Clerk reported that the goal posts are now in situ, and a friendly game,

held in memory of a young footballer who played in the team, was held on 15th August, and another

game was held on the following Tuesday. The team to be asked to confirm whether this was a

formal game or a practice.

8. **To Consider Quarterly Internal Audit and Budget Information**

These were approved by Council.

9. **To Report on Meeting at Riverside Park with Contractor to Discuss Damaged Logs**

Cllr Swainston and the Clerk met with the Contractor of ‘Brambledown’ to discuss the removal of

damaged wooden logs on the site and replace with more sturdy equipment. The Contractor is to

investigate what equipment might be a suitable alternative for the area.

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10. **Report of Site Meeting at Hayfield Park**

Seven members of the Council met on 12th August to inspect the site and expressed their concerns

that the southern boundary of the park has not been built in accordance with the agreed and approved

layout. They are dissatisfied with the location of the new fence, erected substantially within the

southern boundary and within the tree line, which is not what was agreed. The fence must be

relocated to the perimeter line, the pre-existing ditch should be filled in and levelled for safety and

the area tidied generally. These comments to be raised with the Development Manager.

Taylor Bracewell, Solicitors, have sent the Pre-Emption Agreement and the Land Registry Transfer

Documents. These to be signed but not dated, and returned with instructions that the transaction

must not be completed until Council is satisfied with the finished works.

Payment was approved for an invoice in the sum of £357.00 for the solicitor’s professional charges

in respect of the purchase.

11. **To Discuss Highway Matters**

a) Repairs on Loop Road – These have now been completed.

b) Closure of Gatehouse Lane – Council was informed that Gatehouse Lane will be closed for

one day on 23rd August to enable work to be undertaken on the level crossing. Hurst Lane

will be open on the day to ensure motorists do not have to take a long detour via the A638

and Austerfield High Common Lane.igh Common Lane

c) Grass Cutting Outside Nisa Store – Council was informed that DMBC staff appear to be

cutting the grass verge in front of the store, although it is in private ownership.

**RESOLVED**- It was agreed to monitor the situation.

12. **To Discuss Recreation Matters**

a) Damaged Zip Wire – The Clerk to ask DMBC’s Playground Officer when repairs will be done.

b) Supply of Christmas Trees – Council was informed that a reply is still awaited from DMBC

regarding the cost of planting Christmas trees. However, the Mulberry Park Estate already has a

tree planted close to the feeder pillar, and there is no support for planting a second one.

**RESOLVED** – Following discussion, it was agreed to continue purchasing 2 trees from the

supplier this year, and possibly consider planting a tree at Larch Avenue at a later date.

13. **To Identify Items for October Newsletter**

Contributions for the September edition of the Arrow were required early, due to the holiday

season, and it was therefore agreed to submit items for the October issue.

14. **To Discuss Matters Associated with the Web Site**

The Contractor updating the web site has carried out an initial mock-up of the main page, and

Members have suggested several changes they wish to make to the front page.

15. **To Discuss Matters Associated With the Neighbourhood Plan**

It was reported that no meetings have been held since March 2020.

16. **To Review Council’s Asset Register**

**RESOLVED** - The Asset Register was approved by Council.

Council agreed to the disposal of the old computer which has now been replaced with a Windows 10 model. The computer engineer (Mat & Mouse) to be asked to back up the existing hard drive and

wipe the old hard drive.

17. **To Consider Information Relating to Small Business Rates Grant**

DMBC’s Corporal Resources Dept. has written to advise that the Parish Council is the ratepayer

for the Riverside Park, but no payment is required because Small Business Rates relief is awarded.

However, it has been identified that Council is eligible for a grant in the sum of £10,000 under the

original Small Business Rates Relief Scheme, and this will be paid shortly into Council’s bank

account. owever, However,

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18. **To Consider Planning Applications**

a) No. 20/01921/FUL – Application to Remove Condition 2 (Agricultural Condition) of

Application Reference Number DC 1231, Erection of Farm Bungalow, Granted 19/01/1953

Being resubmission of application granted under Ref 19/02354/FUL on 20/02/20

Hanging Carr Farm, Hurst Lane, Auckley

Council did not support the application.

b) No. 19/01563/FUL – Erection of 4 dwellings at 14 School Lane, Auckley

Council reiterates earlier comments but also makes the point that the change from 9 to 4 dwellings will have the same

footprint and be overdevelopment. A slight reduction in the height of floor levels will still result in the proposed

development sitting higher than existing properties, which will have an adverse effect on residents of The Hollows,

creating a feeling of overbearing and encroachment.

No objections or comments were raised regarding the following planning applications:

c) No. 20/01623/FUL – Erection of external wall and garage - 1 Spey Drive, Auckley

d) No. 20/01714/FUL – Installation of 2 pitched roof dormers and roof lights to front elevation to create bedrooms and

ensuite, plus replacement of roof and change of finish materials to dwelling including timber cladding, light smooth

render and black slate effect external tiles - 7 Eastfield Lane, Auckley

e) No. 20/02316/FUL – Erection of ground floor extension to side - 14 Avon Court, Auckley

f) No. 20/02055/FUL – Erection of a two storey side and rear extension - 20 Ainsley Close, Auckley

g) No. 20/02112/FUL – Erection of a single storey elderly person’s flat to rear following

demolition of existing garage - 16 Avon Court, Auckley

19. **To Report Decisions made by DMBC Planning Committee**

Planning permission granted for the following application:

No. 20/01465/FUL – Erection of sun room extension to rear of property (retrospective) - 7 Beckfield Rise, Auckley

20. **To Authorise Banking Transactions and Signing of Cheques**

BACS no. 32 DMBC Supply and fit playground sign £57.60

BACS no. 33 Mrs. M. Caygill Purchase tabards £14.40

BACS no. 34 Mr. P. Dennis Undertake Internal Audit £80.00

BACS no. 35 Mrs. M. Caygill Purchase gel, masks, etc £20.27

BACS no. 36 Mat & Mouse Set up Zoom equipment £75.00

BACS no. 37 Glendale Country Grounds maintenance £211.01

BACS no. 38 DMBC Empty dog bins £168.62

BACS no. 39 Mr. C. Humphreys Handyman’s duties £247.88

BACS no. 40 HMRC Employee’s tax £62.00

BACS no. 41 Mr. S. Featherstone Licence for Zoom meeting £14.39

BACS no. 42 N Power Electricity for lights £15.43

BACS no. 43 Taylor Bracewell Professional services £357.00

BACS no. 44 N Power Pavilion electricity £25.69

21. **To Receive Correspondence**

Govt. UK Covid-19 Reports

NALC Chief Executive’s Updates

YLCA White Rose Updates

DMBC Rossington, Finningley and Torne Valley Updates

Superfast South Yorkshire – A member of the organisation has offered to speak to Parish Council

regarding the rural broadband voucher scheme

Great British Spring Clean 11 – 27th September

22. **To Confirm Date of Next Meeting**

To be arranged later.

**Chairperson …………………………………………..**

**Date ……………………………………………………**