

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

**HELD ON WEDNESDAY 12<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2025, COMMENCING AT 6.30PM**

**AT AUCKLEY PARISH CENTRE**

Councillors Present: I. Swainston (Vice Chair), M. Caygill, G. Warrender, J. Staniforth, L. Sydney, J. Worthington, D. Wraight

E. Lear (Clerk)

Four members of the public

**Public Participation**

Members of the public attended to observe the meeting only.

**1. Non-Attendance by Councillors**

- a) Apologies were received from Cllrs Dobson and Featherstone
- b) The reasons were accepted.

**2. Declarations of Other Interests and Any Amendments**

None.

**3. Determination of the Exclusion of the Public and Press**

Item 13.

**4. Approval of Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting Held 12<sup>th</sup> February 2025**

Public Participation- House number to be removed from the minutes.

The minutes were approved and signed as a true record.

**5. Matters Arising from the February Minutes**

Matters arising from previous minutes

- Ellers Lane car park- The new contact replied that: *the step which was a concern has been levelled and the pot holes in the car park have been filled.* An invitation was received to meet the contractor if further works were required- Clerk to arrange meeting to discuss the sunken grates.
- Eastfield Lane Bin- A bin is now in situ.
- Hayfield Lane/Hurst Lane Junction- reply received from the Safer Roads team that Traffic Signals Engineers don't generally provide guidance markings on signalised junctions. However, they have said that these signals are due for refurbishment and though the timing is unknown, they'll ensure that the resident's concerns are taken into consideration when the redesign is done.
- Standing Water at Mosham Road/Hurst Lane Junction- referred on to CDC and Ward Councillors- Spoke to a Drainage engineer who took all of the information and has forwarded it on to a different team in Drainage. They will need to assess.

Public Participation

The raised areas on Ravenswood Drive and Sandhill Rise have been reported to CDC who have arranged a site meeting to inspect.

**9. Highway Matters**

- a) Dog dirt stencils have been renewed.
- b) Response regarding grubbing back along Mosham Road- no available budget at this time.
- c) Response from Safer Roads Team regarding request for zebra crossing on Main Street: the safety record on Main Street is excellent and therefore it would not be possible to allocate resources for a zebra crossing on a priority basis.

**10. Recreational Matters**

- c) Response from CDC regarding the Gatehouse Lane/Mosham Road traffic lights from Safer Roads Team: A pedestrian phase crossing has not been factored in at this junction and pedestrians would not be encouraged to cross at this point. This junction was raised at the Joint Parish meeting with concerns raised about further development along the road causing more traffic. Cllr S. Cox will raise with Highways.

6. **Consideration of CDC Matters**

- a) Report from District Councillors and/or CDC Officers- None
- b) Consideration of CCTV provision in Auckley- Discussed in the Joint Parish meeting- the final costings for the projects in Finningley and Branton are not yet complete so it is unknown what funds will be available for Auckley. Locations were suggested- **DEFERRED**

7. **Consideration of Contact Made by Members of the Public**

- a) Consideration of the Overgrown Holly Hedge along Common Lane- Clerk to report to CDC

Correspondence was received after the agenda. Acknowledgement to be sent to the resident and Clerk to make enquiries with CDC to provide information for the next meeting.

8. **Consideration of Financial Matters**

- a) Consideration of the Risk Assessment- **APPROVED** with changes
- b) Consideration of the Financial Risk Assessment- **APPROVED** with changes
- c) Receipt of the February Bank Reconciliation- **NOTED**
- d) Banking Transactions:

DDCR 24/25 11	British Gas	Pavilion Electricity	£15.91
24/25 124	Clerk	Salary plus travel expenses	£899.22
24/25 125	Site Supervisor	Salary plus mileage	£441.41
DDCL 24/25 12	British Gas	Oak Tree Avenue Electricity	£14.98
DDO 24/25 12	O2	Clerk's Mobile Phone	£14.35
DDP 24/25 12	Nest	Clerk & Site Supervisor's Pension	£49.17
24/25 126	Arrow Publications	2 full page & 1 ½ page newsletter	£300.00
24/25 127	YLCA	Business Fire Safety webinar	£20.00
24/25 128	R J Electrics	Pavilion works following leak	£708.00
24/25 129	CDC	Aerial Runway Inspection	£198.00
24/25 130	Walkers Nurseries Ltd	Memorial Garden Supplies	£149.86
24/25 131	Reimbursement	Bin Bags	£21.79
24/25 132	Reimbursement	Gravel & Patio Brush	£17.99

Hayfield Park

DD HP 24/25 9	Eon	MUGA electricity	£38.70
HP 24/25 27	Reimbursement	Exterior Wood Paint	£18.00

9. **Consideration of Highway Matters**

- Clerk to send thank you to CDC for dog stencils and new litter bin on Eastfield Lane
- Clerk to request that CDC sweep Main Street including pavements.

10. **Consideration of Recreational Matters**

a) Hayfield Park:

1. Submission of S106 application update- no update from CDC.
2. Hayfield Football Pitch Proposal from New College update- They are still making enquiries but likely to be September before they start to use.

b) Riverside Park:

1. Consideration of the Auckley Show Committee's Request for the Funding of the Toilets for the Show- £838 plus VAT to fund all of the Show's toilets- **AGREED**.  
Clerk to send thanks to the Show Committee for their continued hard work.
2. Locking of the Gate to the Car Park update- New residents have agreed to lock/unlock Riverside car park and now have a key- Clerk to send thanks. There was confusion about the gate being opened by others on a couple of mornings- Clerk to clarify if former resident who performed the role had opened and send thanks again.
3. Mole hills are currently being removed.

c) VE Day 80 Celebrations

1. Update on Plans- On Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> of May an event will be run in partnership with the 4<sup>th</sup> Doncaster Scouts. The event will start at 8.15pm with the bonfire lit at 8.45pm. The Lamp Light of Peace will be lit at 9.30pm along with the reading from the Reverend, for the event to be finished by 9.45pm.

This event will follow national guidelines.

On Friday 9<sup>th</sup> of May, the Auckley Parish Centre Coffee morning will be extended to 10am until 1pm and the usual coffee morning expanded to a VE Day 80 themed event with the room decorated and free refreshments provided. The Parish Council will work in partnership with the Parish Centre volunteers to provide the event. A £200 donation was proposed to cover costs- **AGREED**.

Gratitude was expressed to the Working Group for their work so far.

2. Consideration of the Purchase of VE Day 80 Flags- 4 flags for locations and 1 flag for both events- **AGREED**. Clerk to confirm use of the railings outside Hayfield School and the bridge over the River Torne with CDC.
3. Consideration of the Purchase of Bunting – normal Union Jack bunting to be ordered- **AGREED**. A VE Day Party pack at a cost of £36.99 is also to be ordered- **AGREED**
4. Consideration of an Arrow Submission to Advertise- the two posters (events on the 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> of May) are to be added to the Arrow as a double page- **AGREED**

#### 11. **Consideration of Other Council Owned Property**

##### a) Consideration of the Eilers Lane Phone Box

The contractor who was awarded the works has now pulled out for insurance reasons. At the Joint Parish meeting, a potential contractor was mentioned- await details- **DEFERRED**

#### 12. **Consideration of Administrative Matters**

##### a) Police Report and Crime Figures – Not available for January

b) Matters Associated with the Parish Council Website/Facebook- A member of the public tagged the Council in on an external Facebook post. Council will continue to use the standard response requesting the public to contact the Clerk, in response to all posts. Cllr Wraight has now been added as an Admin.

##### c) Reports of Meetings attended by Members of the Council:

1. Play Area and Maintenance Webinar- attended by Cllrs Dobson & Worthington- notes can be distributed.
2. Clear Plan for the Future webinar- attended by Cllr Worthington
3. Councillor Discussion Forum- attended by Cllr Worthington- discussed Section 137.
4. Parish Centre Meeting- the lease is not yet in place. The request for a defibrillator was discussed. They agreed to the installation of a defibrillator but this would need to be installed before the lease was completed. They did not indicate that they would fund it. Clerk to research possible funding sources for the Parish Centre.
5. Joint Parish Meeting- Each Parish Council representative was able to discuss their own issues but the meeting is useful in that the parishes can share information. Items discussed included the Gatehouse Lane/ Mosham Road junction (request for pedestrianised crossing), CCTV, phone boxes, the airport and Community Speed Watch. Cllr S. Cox will co-ordinate the Community Speed Watch project but volunteers are still required.

##### d) Consideration of Planning Applications

1. 25/00136/OUTA-Outline planning application (with all matters reserved except external vehicular highway access) for residential development (Use Class C3), provision of coworking hubs, with land allocated for a single form entry primary school (if required), including the demolition of Warren House Farm and the provision of drainage (including SUDS), public open space with children's play space, enhancements to existing footpaths/tracks, new footpaths and cycleways (including the creation of an active travel corridor)- Land South of Hurst Lane, Auckley
2. 25/00137/OUTA- Outline planning application (with all matters reserved except external vehicular highway access) for multi-tenure residential development (Use Class C2/C3) (including affordable housing, later living, retirement accommodation, assisted living, build to rent and other complimentary/multi-tenure/specialist housing) with land identified for a single form entry primary school (if required), including the demolition of Warren House Farm and the provision of community buildings (Use Classes E, F1 (a-g), F2 (a-d), sui generis uses comprising drinking

establishments with expanded food provision, co-working hubs (Use Classes E, F1 (a-g), F2 (a-d)), drainage works (including SUDs), public open space with children's play space, enhancements to existing footpaths/tracks, new footpaths and cycle ways (including the creation of an active travel corridor)  
Land South of Hurst Lane, Auckley

Reply to both of the above applications together as complete information isn't provided on both applications.

Auckley Parish Council have no objections to the planning applications but would like to add the following comments:

They would like to object to the movement of the 2 footpaths which are over 100 years old. They would like to express a concern about the increase in traffic in the area. They would like to enquire if there is still a link between the number of houses and the number of jobs in the area as originally set out in the Local Plan. With regards to the Open Spaces- they would like to suggest that they incorporate a provision for cycles within these areas (i.e. for children). They would like to see as much green space as possible. There is a concern about the loss in biodiversity and they would like to see that this is protected. They would like to see that flood management is taken into account as there is a concern about where the surface water run-off will go. They want to see educational provision as the local Auckley schools do not have the capacity for a development of this size.

3. 25/00323/FUL- Erection of replacement dwelling (without compliance with condition 2 (Amended plans) of planning application 24/00868/FUL granted on 02/10/2024. Minor alterations to the house design including 1st floor walkout balconies (rear elevation) and enlarged kitchen- Shakespeare Nurseries, Gate House Lane, Auckley – no comments or objections
4. 25/00422/FUL- Erection of a two storey side extension-  
25 Merlin Drive, Auckley- no comments or objections.

e) Decisions Made by CDC's Planning Committee- NOTED. The Yorkshire Wildlife Park will remove the Observation Wheel by the end of April but it will not be in use from the end of March.

f) Consideration of Items for Referral to Ward Councillors-  
Invite Ward Councillors to the VE Day 80 events on the 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> of May- **AGREED**

g) Receipt of Other Correspondence:  
YLCA -Weekly News, Training programmes  
NALC – Chief Executives Bulletin  
CDC- Statement of Licensing Policy Review, Local Plan-Call for Sites

13. **Updates and Recommendations from the Staffing Committee**

- a) The Permanent Appointment of the Site Supervisor- AGREED
- b) Increment Rise of the Clerk- NOTED

14. **Confirmation of Date and Time of Next Meeting**

The next meeting will take place on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> of April 2025 at Auckley Parish Centre, following on from the Annual Parish Meeting at 6.15pm.

Chair.....

Date: .....