

**MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL MEETING OF AUCKLEY PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 14<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2020, COMMENCING AT 6.30 P.M..**

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

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 Parish Council Meeting Held on 11<sup>th</sup> September 2020**

An amendment to be added: No. 19 to read that John Perry Handyman Services to be asked to replace broken windows in the BT telephone kiosk with Perspex. The minutes were then signed 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.

Ward Members have obtained and supplied 2 stands which can hold hand gel to protect against the coronavirus. The metal stand will be used in the pavilion and the wooden one in the Parish Centre.

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

Crime Report – 32 incidents that occurred during August were reported to the Police.

The local PCSO to be informed that a group of approx. 20 youths was seen congregating in the village at Eastfield Lane and Spey Drive during the previous weekend.

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

- a) Overspill Car Park Hayfield Lane – DMBC's Enforcement Officer has written to the Estate Agents office in the car park and, following this, the original sign warning of possible action for parking has now been removed and replaced with a new notice merely advertising the business.
- b) Damaged Zip Wire – DMBC Inspector has advised that he will collect the seat from the Clerk in the near future and attach it to the new wire.
- c) Nisa Store – The Clerk to check whether new fencing has been erected to the rear of the building.
- d) Computer Hard Drive – The Mat & Mouse engineer has wiped clean the hard drive on the old computer and the machine has now been disposed of.
- e) Poppy Wreath – The wreath has been ordered and will be laid at the Blaxton War Memorial on Remembrance Sunday.
- f) Request for Picnic Tables – A site meeting has been arranged for the 24<sup>th</sup> October in order for members to consider suitable locations for picnic tables/benches. Consideration will also be given to providing climbing/balancing play equipment.
- g) Flooding of Road Adjacent to Lidgett Gardens – DMBC Highways Officer has forwarded this matter to the Highways Drainage Department.
- h) Tree Leaning Over Residents' Fencing – The tree has now been removed by Mr. Burrows.
- i) Overhanging Hedge at Childers Drive Property – It was reported that the hedge has now been trimmed back.
- j) Problems Relating to Public Footpaths – PROW Officer advises that she will inspect the stiles on Public Footpaths numbered 3 and 7. With regard to PF no. 7 bordering the Charity Land – the vegetation was trimmed earlier in the year, and will be carried out again at a later date.
- k) Rubbish Regularly Left Near Litter Bin Outside Spar Store – DMBC Street Clean Officer has asked Spar staff for any CCTV pictures which might show the offender dumping litter, and they will follow any leads.

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

The Quarterly Internal Audit was approved by Council. The Clerk pointed out that the Budget showed that payments for the first 2 quarters were less than usual, but this was because of the Covid 19 restrictions and less activities in the Parish.

9. **To Consider Quotations to Purchase Climbing/Balancing Equipment for Riverside Park**  
The Contracts Manager for 'Brambledown' has provided quotations to provide balancing bars, stepping stones, etc. constructed in both wood and metal, plus removal of the dilapidated wooden logs currently on the play park. Members will consider later.
10. **To Consider Quotations to Supply Christmas Trees for Locations at Hurst Lane**  
The quotation is to supply 2 x Christmas Trees 20 feet in height, deliver, install and remove trees in early January  
Plevey's quotes the sum of £1,464 inc. VAT  
Bawtry Forest quotes the sum of £755 inc. VAT  
**RESOLVED** – Following discussion, Cllr Featherstone proposed that the quotation from Bawtry Forest be accepted, subject to trees being the stated height, and this was agreed.
11. **To Ratify Payment to Remove Tree Overhanging Resident's Fencing**  
Council had been informed that a large oak tree on Riverside Park had had fallen half way over the fence of an adjacent property, and it posed a risk of causing injury or damage if winds persisted and it was blown further into the resident's garden. A decision had therefore been taken to ask Mr. Burrows of 'Advanced Tree Care' to remove the tree, before it was formally agreed, at a cost of £300 + VAT. **RESOLVED** – Council approved the payment.
12. **To Discuss Football Club's Use of Facilities and Decide Fees for Season**  
The Manager of the Auckley Football Club gave an update on the club's outgoing expenses which were £290, leaving £107.40 in the bank. Expenses include £17.50 each week for a referee, line whitening and a new ball. In addition, they expect to pay out £250 for new football shirts, depending on what funds they can generate. Previously the club held raffles in the local public house to raise money for items, however, this has not been possible since March because of restrictions. **RESOLVED** – Following discussion, Cllr Warrender proposed that the club's fees should be set at £150 for the season, the proposal was seconded by Cllr Swainston, and agreed by a majority. Cllrs Worthington and Fiddler asked for it to be recorded in the minutes that they were opposed to this decision.
13. **To Consider Quotation to Repair Damage to BT Telephone Kiosk**  
'John Perry Handyman Services' has submitted a quotation in the sum of £70 to supply and install 3 x small and 1 large Perspex panes within the telephone kiosk at Ellers Lane.  
**RESOLVED** – This was agreed by Council.
14. **To Discuss Tall Trees Overhanging Common Lane Pumping Station**  
A resident has expressed concerns that some tall trees in a garden adjacent to the pumping station could be at risk of being blown over by strong winds and cause serious damage to the pumping station. Council has written to Severn Trent and awaits a reply.
15. **To Discuss Matters Associated With the New Hayfield Park**  
The Clerk had written to Peel's Development Manager Building in September but had received no reply and it was agreed to contact the Ward Members and explain the current situation.
16. **To Discuss Highway Matters**  
a) **Hurst Lane Railway Bridge** – The clerk has contacted DMBC, following a resident's concerns that the bridge might be under stress due to the increasing number of vehicles being driven on the bridge. The Highways Officer has forwarded the message to the bridge engineers for a reply.  
b) **New Retaining Wall, Mosham Road** – The Clerk has written to Yorkshire Wildlife Park's Highways Representative to express concerns regarding the wooden retaining wall which has replaced the grassy bank near the crossroads and is not considered in keeping with the village, and suggested that a stone frontage would have been more appropriate.  
c) **Highway Verges, Hayfield Lane Near College** – The Clerk has written to DMBC to ask if they can clarify who is responsible for the grass verges along Hayfield Lane at the side of the College, and Highways advises that they appear to be unadopted.  
d) **Parking Outside Auckley School** – The Parking Enforcement Officer advises that they cannot challenge drivers parking on the road where there are no parking restrictions, but if the footway is obstructed then the Police may take action. The Parking Officer will monitor the situation.  
e) **Additional HGV's Using Mosham Road/Hurst Lane** – A reminder to be sent to Cllr Jones.

17. **To Discuss Recreational Matters.**

A resident has written to express concerns regarding debris from Main Street trees falling onto the road and in the gutters. He also mentions the poor condition of Public Footpath No.1. The clerk to write to DMBC Highways and ask them to inspect the trees to see whether they need to be trimmed back. However, in respect of the footpath, Councillors who regularly walk the path did not consider it was in need of attention.

18. **To Discuss Updated Parish Web Site**

Council was informed that the site has been updated and Members' suggestions have been incorporated into the final result. The Clerk has been given some instruction in amending texts. Payment was approved.

19. **To Discuss Matters Associated with Neighbourhood Plan Group**

A virtual meeting is to be arranged. Members of the committee are looking for redeeming features throughout the Parish.

20. **To Receive Report of Meetings/Seminars Attended by Council Members/Clerk**

- a) CAP Meeting held 2<sup>nd</sup> October - Cllr Worthington attended and a report circulated to members
- b) Airport Noise Monitoring & Environment Meeting - Cllr Swainston reported that concerns were expressed at the meeting regarding the Covid restrictions, and complaints have been received with regard to certain flights.
- c) Parish Centre Meeting – Cllr Warrender reported that the Centre has a healthy bank balance.
- d) Code of Conduct Training – Cllr Worthington reported there were several interesting comments made and more information is to be obtained.

21. **To Consider Planning Applications**

Application No. EPR/JB3002LB/V002 – An application to the Environment Agency to vary an Environmental Permit. The application proposes to open the existing site for disposal of hazardous waste in the form of asbestos and inert waste in the eastern site only, followed by landfill restoration Finningley Landfill Site, Finningley, Doncaster

Council's comments were as follows:

- a) There are serious concerns of landfill toxic waste. The water table is known to be between 2.5 and minus 3.5, and the fill is proposed to be at that level
- b) There is a serious potential for the water course to be compromised, and this should not be allowed to happen.
- c) There are communities nearby with a large population and schools.
- d) How will the site be monitored, and would this be in conjunction with DMBC or an independent body? A qualified person, as stated in the application, needs to inspect daily

22. **To Report Decisions Made by DMBC's Planning Committee** - None reported .

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

BACS no 61	Arrow Publications	Items in newsletter	£66.00
BACS no 62	Mat & Mouse	Remote check & hard drive wipe	£70.00
BACS no 63	Advanced Tree Care	Remove overhanging tree	£360.00
BACS no 64	Glendale	Grounds maintenance	£211.01
BACS no 65	Exact Marketing	Web Site Accessibility	£738.00
BACS no 66	Taylor Bracewell	Land Registry Fee	£40.00
BACS no 67	DMBC	Empty dog bins	£590.18
BACS no 68	Royal British Legion	Donation (including wreath)	£120.00
BACS no 69	John Perry Handyman Serv.	Repair BT telephone kiosk	£70.00
BACS no 70	Arrow Publications	Item re. Broadband Information	£30.00
BACS no 71	John Perry Handyman Serv.	Replace 2x roof tiles, connect pipe	£55.00
BACS no	YLCA	Code of Conduct Webinar	£15.00
BACS no	YLCA	Data Protection Training	£15.00
BACS no	Mat & Mouse	Website Support	£250.00
BACS no	Mat & Mouse	Provide/install AVG Security	£55.00

23.	<b><u>To Authorise Banking Transactions and Signing of Cheques (continued)</u></b>			
	BACS no	Glendale Countryside	Grounds maintenance	£492.81
	BACS no	DMBC	Repair Zip Wire	£666.00
	BACS no	Mrs. M. Caygill	Zoom Licence for meeting	£14.39

24. **To Receive Correspondence**

Govt. UK Reports on Covid – 19

NALC Reports

YLCA White Rose Updates; Virtual Training Sessions for October

SYPTTE – Update on bus services

DMBC – Rossington, Finningley and Torne Valley Updates                      ccbv

24. **To Decide Date and Time of Next Meeting**

It was agreed to hold the next meeting on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2020, commencing at 6.30 p.m. This will probably be a virtual meeting and information will be given later.

Chairperson .....

Date .....