

**MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL MEETING OF AUCKLEY PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 13<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2021 COMMENCING AT 6.30 P.M.**

Present: Mr. S. Featherstone (Acting Chairman), Mr. I. Butterfield, Mrs. D. Fiddler, Mrs. S. Platts,  
Ms. J. Staniforth, Mr. I. Swainston, Mr. G. Warrender  
Ward Councillors S. Cox and J. Cox.  
In attendance Mrs. M. Caygill (Clerk)

**Public Participation**

No members of the public attended the meeting.

1. **To Receive Apologies for Absence**

Received and accepted from Cllr Worthington, following the recent sad death of her husband. Members of the Council expressed their condolences, and a card has been sent from the Council.

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

Cllr Butterfield declared an interest in item 14 a) and Cllr Staniforth in item 20

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 9<sup>th</sup> December 2020**

The minutes were approved and will be signed as a true record.

5. **To Approve Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting Held on 16<sup>th</sup> December 2020**

The minutes were approved and will be signed later as a true record.

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

Cllr S. Cox reported that a Traffic Order for work on the Mosham Road/Hurst Lane Junction has run out, and another Order has therefore been raised, due to the work still being unfinished.

It is disappointing that no meetings of the Yorkshire Wildlife Park Committee are currently being held. Vaccinations have now begun in the local areas at Adwick, Denaby, Thorne and Doncaster

7. **Matters Arising from the December Meetings**

a) Vehicles Parked on Hayfield lane Verges – DMBC Highways Officer advises this matter has been referred to Parking Enforcement.

b) Football Club – The Manager of the team reports that no football is to be played under the current Covid 19 restrictions.

c) Debris from Trees at Main Street - DMBC's Street Scene Officer apologises for the delay in clearing the debris, but have been extremely busy with schedules. They will attend to this matter for the hedge to be cut back.

d) Distribution of Christmas Fayre – A letter of thanks has been sent to volunteers who delivered gifts.

e) Increase in Number of HGV's in Auckley – Minutes of the recent Transport and Quarries Meeting has been circulated to members, and HGV's feature in the minutes.

f) Volunteering Work for Students – It was agreed that no progress could be made during the current "lockdown" period.

8. **To Consider Council's Provisional Budget for 2021/2022**

Council considered the draft budget which predicts expenditure of £39,607 for 2020/2021, but with additional projects, i.e. cameras and balancing play equipment, costing an additional approximate cost of £25,700. It was agreed that these additional funds could be taken from reserves, given that the current bank balance is £62,000.

9. **To Decide Council's Precept for 2021/2022**

**RESOLVED** – Following discussion, agreement was reached that Council did not wish to raise the Precept higher than last year's amount. Cllr Swainston proposed that Council precept for £40,000, this was seconded by Cllr Staniforth, and the motion was carried.

10. **To Received Tenders for Riverside Park's Maintenance Contract**

North Notts Landscapes quoted                      £8,577.60 inc. VAT

Glendale Countryside quoted                      £4,584.43 inc. VAT

**RESOLVED** – Council agreed to accept the lowest tender submitted by Glendale Countryside.

11. **To Consider Quotation to Repair Pavilion Roof**

Two quotations invited but only one received. Mr. McGowan quotes to undertake the following:

Remove a number of broken tiles and replace with new

Renew all ridge tiles and clean moss and debris from the roof

The ridge tiles can then be fitted either in cement or a dry system which involves screwing them down, but is maintenance free.

Total for wet system - £535

Total for dry system - £635

The price has been worked out for 2 men and one day's work, plus materials.

**RESOLVED** – Cllr Staniforth proposed that Council accept the quote for the dry system, Cllr Platts Seconded the proposal, and the motion was carried.

Mr. McGowan to be asked what would be the cost of applying anti-vandal paint to the roof.

12. **To Consider Possible Provision of a Tarmac- Surfaced Path Leading from Hayfield Lane to New Housing Development**

A number of residents have raised the issue of the footpath leading from Hayfield Lane to the large new housing development off the Great Yorkshire Way. The path is unsurfaced, and in winter becomes very muddy and slippery for the many children who attend the Hayfield Lane Primary School, Hayfield Comprehensive School and Auckley New College. The path is also unsuitable for mothers pushing buggies when accompanying younger children to school. The only alternative route for residents of the new housing development is via Broad Lane, Great Yorkshire Way and Hurst Lane which takes some considerable time to walk.

**RESOLVED** – Council agreed that the path is in need of surfacing with some material such as tarmac, crushed limestone chippings, or similar. It was agreed to write initially to Delyse to see if this is an issue she can take up with Peel.

13. **To Invite Quotations to Construct Concrete Bases, Followed by Purchase of Picnic Tables**

The Clerk to contact firms LMN and GNE and ask them to quote for construction of two concrete bases each measuring 3 metres square to be situated at Riverside Park.

The picnic tables to be made from recycled plastic which will be more durable than wood.

14. **To Consider Purchasing Children's Balancing Apparatus**

One quotation has been received from Sutcliffe Play via the Brambledown contractor, and this included the cost of removing the old wooden logs.

It was agreed to contact 2 local play equipment firms for further quotes

15. **To Consider Resident's Request for Information Re. Coronavirus Vaccination Programme**

A resident had enquired what plans were in place to vaccinate local parishioners, and had suggested a possible venue. It has now been learnt that General Practitioners have created hubs at various locations in the Doncaster area where their patients can receive the vaccine.

16. **To Discuss Matters Associated with the Hayfield Park**

Peel's Development Manager advises that the following amendments are to be made to the play facility:

- Installation of a litter bin at the football pitch end
- The creation of a pedestrian access across Peel-retained land at the football pitch end with removal of a panel in the security fencing to provide pedestrian access
- Replacement of the RAF chain link fence

The plan shows 2 options for the new path as follows:

- Option A shows a direct link from Hawthorne Road
- Option B enters the playground near the middle of the pitch, thus providing maximum access to retain lost balls.

**RESOLVED** – Following discussion, Cllr Platts proposed that Option B be chosen, this was Seconded by Cllr Swainston, and agreed.

The clerk has again contacted the Police following reports of anti-social behaviour at the site. The 2 litter bins were overflowing after the Christmas/New Year period, but were eventually emptied by the contractors. The Parish Handyman to make regular visits to tidy up and monitor the site.

17. **To Discuss Highway Matters**

a) **To Discuss Details Relating to Proposed “Domehawk” Cameras**

DMBC’s Stronger Communities Co-ordinator has sent a firm’s quotation for the provision and installation of CCTV Cameras at Auckley, and copied the specification to Cantley with Branton and Finningley Councils.

In addition to the cost of the cameras, with regards to the structural testing of columns and power installation, there will be an approx. cost of £1,000, although Street Lighting have not yet responded. Signage is to be displayed on all points entering an area where CCTV has been installed. As far as insurance is concerned, this would be up to the Parish Council.

Some members expressed disappointment that the cameras were not directly linked to the Police Monitoring Room, and the Clerk is to write for information on this alternative service.

18. **To Discuss Recreation Matters**

a) Vehicle at Dart Grove – A resident reported that a DMBC van had been driven down to the end of Dart Grove in the evening on a number of occasions but the driver did not get out of the vehicle and then proceeded to drive back up the road. The Clerk to make enquiries.

b) Accident at Ellers Lane Car Park – A resident sustained a nasty fall when walking through the car park at night, due to the uneven surface where the kerb edging separating the entrance to the car park and the Tarmac in front of the shops has dropped, leaving the kerb edging protruding and in the dark cannot be seen. The clerk was instructed to write to the owner of the car park.

c) Flower Tubs – The Handyman to be asked to remove the old plants from the tubs in order for the Spring bulbs to emerge.

d) Litter Outside Spar Store – A resident expressed concerns regarding wrappers, etc. dropped on ground. It was agreed to send a letter to the Store.

19. **To Receive Police Report and Crime Figures**

The number of crimes reported to Police in November was 19.

The Clerk has contacted the Police regarding anti-social behaviour at the new Hayfield Park, and also reported that signs of drug abuse have been found in the BT Kiosk on Ellers lane.

20. **To Consider Purchasing Unused Printer Cartridges**

Council has been informed that Cantley with Branton Council has a full set of ink cartridges in black and colours which are no longer any use, due to the purchase of a new printer with different cartridges. These are not out of date and cost approx. £80 per set.

**RESOLVED** – Following discussion, Cllr Platts proposed that Council offers the sum of £50 to buy The cartridges, this was seconded by Cllr Butterfield, and the motion was carried.

21. **To Decide Suitable items for Printing in the Arrow Newsletter**

It was agreed to mention the following items:

Council’s Precept for 2021/2022

Coronavirus Vaccination

Possible Highway Cameras

New Signalled Crossing

Proposed Picnic Benches and Defibrillator at Riverside park

22. **To Receive Update on Neighbourhood Plan Group**

Cllr Swainston reported that more residents have shown an interest in joining the group, but no meetings have been held since the pandemic.

23. **To Discuss Matters Associated with the Parish Web Site**

Cllr Staniforth suggested there should be more information given on Auckley.

24. **To Receive Reports on Meetings/Webinars Attended by Members of Council**

a) Parish Centre – Cllr Warrender reported that new outer doors have now been installed.

The bank balance is healthy. The next meeting will be held on 8<sup>th</sup> February 2021.

b) CAP Meeting attended by Cllr Worthington. Minutes circulated to members.

25. **To Consider Planning Applications:**

No. 20/03415/FULM – A hybrid planning application on Land Off Insall Way, Auckley

The designated Planning Officer dealing with the application has been on leave and is has suggested that the application is considered at the Council’s February meeting.

26. **To Report Decisions Made by DMBC's Planning Committee**

No decisions have been received.

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

BACS no. 101	YLCA	Webinar	£15.00
BACS no. 102	Mr. J. Armstrong	Christmas Fayre	£209.44
BACS no. 103	EON Next	Oak Tree Meter	£26.24
Cheque 002360	'Firefly' Transport	Donation	£100.00
BACS no. 104	HMRC	Employee Tax	£62.60
BACS no. 105	Handyman's Wages	Duties in Parish	£251.03
BACS no. 106	Business Stream	Pavilion Water Rates	£11.12
BACS no. 107	Business Stream	Allotment Water Rates	£13.98
BACS no. 108	Advanced Tree Care	Fell Trees at Riverside	£930.00
BACS no. 109	YNH (Your Name Here)	Domain Renewal	£12.00

28. **To Receive Correspondence**

Police – Crime Commissioner's Blog

YLCA – Various Virtual Seminars, White Rose Update

DMBC – Council was asked to suggest names for 3 new roads on new development at Hayfield Lane. Council's choice: Primrose Gardens, Rosebud Way, Foxglove Drive

Possible purchase of Lexis Nexis 'Local Council Administration'. Agreed to leave

Until next publication.

29. **To Confirm Date and Time of Next Meeting**

It was agreed to hold the next virtual meeting on Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> February 2021, commencing at 6.30 p.m.

Chairperson .....

Date .....