

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING, FOSTON AND SCROPTON PARISH COUNCIL

HELD REMOTELY VIA ZOOM ON TUESDAY 10TH NOVEMBER 2020 7.30PM

Present: Councillors: Cllr G Thornhill MBE (Chairman), Cllr T Bowles, Cllr C Fryer, Cllr P Groom, Cllr A Holgate, A Barnes (Clerk), Cllr J Patten (DCC & SDDC)

Members of the Public: 4 Members of the Public

Min No 89/20 Chairman and Clerk

- Cllr Thornhill welcomed everyone to the final meeting for 2020 and thanked everyone for attending via zoom he also confirmed no comments would be taken from the public.
- Clerk confirmed that she had put an invite on the website for the general public to email her if they wished to attend
- Clerk clarified that Cllrs would vote by clearly saying their name and if they agree or disagree with any decisions made

Min No 90/20 Apologies for absence

- None

Min No 91/20 Members to declare an interest

- None

Min No 92/20 County and District Councillor Update

Cllr Patten reported the following: -

- A recent waste briefing took place where they went through details of what should happen if there are any issues. Collection dates for Christmas have been sent to residents and they have asked that Christmas cards are not put in the recycling bin. Cllr Patten also reported no extra bags for the black bin will be collected but extra cardboard will be. Normal service will be running apart from Christmas Day and Boxing Day.
- Issues raised with the cabinet at Highways about the state of pavements and potholes etc, Cllr Patten reported she was really pleased with the outcome and highways will be looking at improving the service, employing more staff and improving communication
- Local Mineral Plan - Cllr Patten confirmed she will be sending her report off to DCC about her concerns. Cllr Fryer reported he had been in contact with Highways and the Environment Agency and expressed the importance of sending objections as soon as possible, if it is passed it will be a detriment to the village. Cllr Thornhill reminded Cllrs that an objection letter from the Parish Council has been sent and is available to view on the website under documents library. The first draft and subsequent second draft were sent to all Parish Cllrs for approval before being submitted. Cllr Holgate reported there is a group of residents who are writing their objections. Cllr Patten confirmed it is important for residents to send their objections as it shows strength of feeling in the parish.

Min No 93/20 Minutes of Previous Meeting

- Cllr Thornhill reported that the parish council has been required by the Department of Local Government to change the format of its minutes, which makes ACTION points more difficult to highlight.
- Resolved by all Cllrs present agreed that the minutes of 10th November 2020 be accepted as a true correct record and be signed at a later date. Cllr Thornhill reported resident meeting notes have been received and are available on the website to view.

Min No 94/20 Clerk's Matters

- Clerk confirmed Census 2021 are looking for residents to be involved with the survey, information available on the website.

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- Clerk reported advice on flooding has been received from SDDC which is available to view on the website
- Clerk confirmed she has submitted the Charity Commission Annual Return 2020 for the Parish Hall and is awaiting acceptance
- Clerk reported the precept letter has been sent for the next financial year, Clerk to complete budget and forward to Cllrs for the finance meeting
- Clerk said DCC has sent out a Snow Warden reminder email
- Clerk noted Derbyshire Dales District Council have sent a statement of community involvement 2020 which has been forwarded to Cllrs.
- Clerk noted that a resident wished to pass on their thanks to the Lengthman for his great work picking up litter on Scropton Road
- Clerk confirmed a resident reported ivy growing on pavement between Coplow Lane and Hay Lane Foston, near the layby, hindering people using the pavement. Cllr Thornhill confirmed this has been reported previously. Cllr Bowles noted the Council need to scrape the pavement.
Resolved that Clerk email DCC and cc Cllr Patten into the email
- Clerk confirmed a resident has raised an issue of a lorry being parked on Uttoxeter Road Foston, making it dangerous and drivers using this way as a shortcut to get to the business park.
Resolved that Clerk report to DCC
- Clerk confirmed a resident has reported dog fouling on Coplow Lane. **Resolved that Clerk report to SDDC.**
- Clerk confirmed she had received a December newsletter from DALC and Local Government Ethical Standards extended deadline. **Resolved that Cllrs send any comments to Clerk**
- Clerk confirmed PCC have sent around a Small Grants Vulnerability Fund and suggested applying for CCTV funding. Cllr Groom does not think the fund is applicable and other Cllrs agreed.
Resolved that all Cllrs agree to look at other funding options in the future

Min No 95/20

Planning Matters

Planning Applications

DMPA/2020/1117: The removal of condition no. 15 of permission ref. 9/2018/1375 (relating to footway link) for the change of use from agricultural land to storage and distribution use (use class B8) along with demolition of existing buildings and laying of hardstanding at Former Midland Pig Producers, Woodyard Lane, Foston, DE65 5DJ – **comment made** - the site is adjacent to buildings already in place and it is not used for agriculture purposes and this will not affect residents in Woodyard Lane

DMPA/2020/1006: The erection of 8 holiday let units and creation of access, parking and associated parking on Land at SK1931 2286, Uttoxeter Road, Foston, Derby, DE65 5PJ – **comments made**

1 The holiday dwellings will encroach on a green field site between Linden House & Foston Village

2 The applicant has already removed a wide section of hedge between the field and Uttoxeter Road into Foston Village in preparation for gates to be installed

3 Other work appears to have been started within the fencing between the site and Hay Lane

4 Likely to be a considerable increase in traffic between Hay Lane and Uttoxeter Road in both directions.

5 If the application is granted the parish council recommends that a screening of trees be required along the west (Foston) side of the site

All Cllrs agreed to the comments made

Planning Decisions

None

Min No 96/20

Finance

Parish Council Finance

Bank Balance as from 30 October 2020 £37755.22

Accounts for Payment

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Chq No	To	In respect of	Amount
001626	A Barnes	Clerks salary November	£200.00
001627	M Hayes	Lengthman salary November	£109.30
001628	HMRC	Clerk and Lengthman PAYE November	£77.20
001629	A Barnes	July – Dec expenses	£205.44

Accounts Received			
BACS	DCC	Cllr Patten Play Area Contribution	£3000.00

Parish Hall Finance

Bank Balance as from 30 October 2020 £914.50

Account payment

000181	British Gas	Electricity Bill for Parish Hall	£96.42
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Accounts received- None

Resolved that all Cllrs agreed to payments for Parish Council and Parish Hall

Min No 97/20

Matters Arising

Clerk went through the following Matters arising:-

Legionella Risk Assessment

- Clerk confirmed she had received an email from Greenwater Services and they will be carrying out some work shortly and completing a few outstanding actions that have not taken place due to Covid 19. Lengthman is happy to be the named person and complete the training

Play area – new equipment

- Cllr Thornhill confirmed the solicitor has applied for adverse possession and photos have been taken of the play area. Land registry have been to inspect the area and the solicitor has advised we do not start the work until we have had confirmation from the Land Registry however, they are behind. Solicitor has been requested and agreed, to send parish council a statement indicating all actions taken so far, to be used by the council for reference purposes.

Play area – tree

- Clerk confirmed she had received 3 quotes, Croxalls £400 (No VAT charges), DGR Landscaping £311 inc VAT and C Bentley £450 plus VAT. **Resolved that the Clerk ask for further information from DGR Landscaping.**

Flood Update

- Clerk confirmed she has received 2 quotes for the ditch, she is also waiting for another company to get back to her
- Quote received DGR Landscape – top of the ditch £468 inc VAT and bottom area £638.40 inc VAT. C Bentley Digger and Man £300, 4 load muck of site £560 plus VAT. Cllr Groom reported there had been some different information regarding the ditch including the wall in the ditch and the none return valve in the ditch, whether they should be removed or not and the parish council also needed to explore the possibility of removing the weeds in the summer. **Resolved that Cllr Groom to discuss further with R Ward before a decision is made on the works, all Cllrs agreed.**
- Land at the back of the play area to potentially be used for a flood storage area. Cllr Thornhill reported that this should remain separate from the play area, so it is not delayed, concerns were also raised about damage to the play area if access is required. Cllr Groom confirmed the layout has been taken into account if access is required to the back of the play area. **Resolved that the matter be discussed at the next meeting**

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Outstanding Actions

- Fly tipping near Foston prison is still in place. **Resolved that Clerk report to SDDC**
- Litter on Watery Lane – Clerk confirmed SDDC is running behind with work but will be completing the litter pick

Clerk confirmed she had heard from DCC and will be sending further information on the following

- Deep rut on Leathersley Lane
- Signs in Scropton/A50/Tutbury etc by Scropton village green
- Speeding sign in Scropton is not working
- Hedge down Leathersley Lane near the Sudbury end requires cutting back
- Pavement repairs on Scropton Road

Min No 98/20

Correspondence

Action

None

DALC

Vacancy - South Darley Parish Council

Vacancy at Stapleford Town Council

Vacancy-Parish Clerk and Responsible Finance Officer - Killamarsh Parish Council

Good Councillors' Guide to Community Business

Vacancy - Overseal Parish Council, Derbyshire

SDDC

Active Communities & Health Team - Autumn 2020 Newsletter

Holly Jolly Advent!

General

HELP FOR SCHOOLS, CHURCHES, CHARITIES AND NON PROFIT ORGANISATIONS -Utility Aid

Police New arrival

Mobile library Routes 14 December 2020 to 19 March 2021

The meeting was closed at 8.10PM

Date of Next Meeting: 12th January 2021 7.00PM Allotment & Finance Meeting 7.30PM Ordinary Meeting

Signature of Chairman..... **Date**.....