

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING, FOSTON AND SCROPTON PARISH COUNCIL
HELD REMOTELY VIA ZOOM ON TUESDAY 12TH JANUARY 2021 7.30PM

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

Members of the Public: 6 Members of the Public

Min No 1/21 Chairman and Clerk

- Cllr Thornhill welcomed everyone to the first meeting of 2021 wished everyone a happy new year 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 2/21 Apologies for absence

- Cllr Critchlow

Min No 3/21 Members to declare an interest

- None

Min No 4/21 County and District Councillor Update

Cllr Patten reported the following: -

- Cllr Patten confirmed she will report any feedback to the Clerk to save time during the meeting
- Clerk asked if there was any update on the pavements in Scropton that have been marked out.
Resolved that Cllr Patten will chase
- Cllr Groom reported he has taken pictures of the kerbs that require mending and is in the process of completing a document including information about possible new road signage and will forward to the Clerk to share with Cllr Patten.

Min No 5/21 Minutes of Previous Meeting

- Resolved by all Cllrs present that the minutes of 8th December 2020 be accepted as a true correct record and be signed at a later date.

Min No 6/21 Clerk's Matters

- Precept and Budget –All Cllrs in attendance agreed the Precept amount for 2021/22 will stay the same as the previous year for the amount of £8567.50 and the budget has been agreed with £1000 being allocated for projects due to the play area budget the previous year.
- Clerk reported she had emailed DALC about the Lengthman continuing to work through lockdown, DALC confirmed other Parish Council's Lengthmen are working but a risk assessment must be in place, which the Parish Council has in place. **Resolved that all Cllrs agree the Lengthman continues to work.**
- Clerk confirmed she had received a letter from SDDC to book the Parish Hall May 2021 as a Polling station for elections, but it may be delayed. **Resolved that the Clerk send the form back to SDDC agreeing to the booking**
- Clerk confirmed the Etwall Area Forum Meeting is taking place on 20th January 2021. **Resolved that Cllr Holgate will try to attend**
- Clerk confirmed the South Derbyshire Equalities, Diversity and Inclusion Strategy 2021-25 consultation has been sent round to Cllrs for comment. Cllr Thornhill reported it is a very comprehensive document, no other comments received from Cllrs
- Clerk confirmed she had received an invitation for parish councillors - Transforming the Trent Valley meeting 19th January 2021. **Resolved for information.**

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- Clerk confirmed PCC Hardyal Dhindsa's Budget Consultation took place on 6th and 7th January 2021o however the invitation was only received on the 5th January 2021.
- Clerk reported she has received the DALC newsletter and confirmed the Annual Parish Meeting can go ahead via zoom before the 7th May 2021, perhaps in April 2021
- Clerk confirmed the reported overgrown vegetation - adjacent to Leathersley Lane, Sudbury. DCC has written to the landowner requesting this is cut back and will monitor the situation.

Min No 7/21 Planning Matters

Planning Applications

DMPA/2020/1219 The erection of an extension to industrial building at Elbar Services Ltd, Hay Lane Industrial Estate, Hay Lane, Foston, Derby, DE65 5PJ – **no observations**

DMPA/2020/0534 Conversion of barn to create two 2-bedroom holiday lets and a home office along with conversion of further barn to create two offices (with toilet facilities to be provided by existing dwelling house) along with alterations and modifications to existing dwelling house at Lawn House, Hay Lane, Foston – **no observations**

DMPA/2020/1434 The erection of an industrial / distribution warehouse (Use Class E - industrial processes & B8) with ancillary office accommodation and associated gatehouse, service yard, parking and landscaping at Plot 4, Dove Valley Park, Park Avenue, Foston - **no observations**

Clerk said she had received an email from GS Capital about an Advanced Notice of Intention to Submit a Planning Application for a Proposed Solar Farm at Hawthorn Farm, Scropton. **Resolved that a zoom meeting be arranged to discuss further. Clerk to arrange a date as soon as possible at 7pm and invite representatives of GS Capital and parishioners.**

Planning Decisions

None

Min No 8/21 Finance

Parish Council Finance - Bank Balance as from 31 December 2020 £37063.08

Accounts for Payment

Chq No	To	In respect of	Amount
001630	A Barnes	Clerk's salary December	£200.00
001631	M Hayes	Lengthman salary December	£109.10
001632	HMRC	Clerk and Lengthman PAYE December	£77.40
001633	SDDC	Compost Waste Collection	£52.00
001634	RBL	Annual donation	£75.00

Accounts Received

Parish Hall Finance

Bank Balance as from 31 December 2020 £818.08

Account payment

None

Accounts received- None

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

Min No 9/21 Matters Arising

Clerk went through the following Matters arising:-

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Legionella Risk Assessment

- Clerk confirmed she had sent the Lengthmans email to Greenwater Services and is awaiting further information.

Play area – new equipment

- Clerk confirmed there is no other update, awaiting information from the Land Registry.

Play area – tree

- Clerk confirmed Croxalls were the cheapest quote at £400 and has asked them to remove the tree following email confirmation from Cllrs. **Resolved that all Cllrs present agreed.**

Flood Update

- Clerk confirmed she has heard from R Ward Flood Engineer at DDC who confirmed the non-return valve is inspected and maintained by the Environment Agency.
- Cllr Groom has spoken to R Ward and it has been agreed the Parish Council would undertake works from the highway drain outlet up to the car park hedge boundary. This will hopefully be enough to enable the water to get away and alleviate the flood risk to the highway during the winter period. Cllr Groom stated he was happy to monitor the situation to see how effective these works are. Clerk confirmed we are still awaiting another quote and an updated quote for the work.
- Highways have ordered works to be undertaken on the junction of Watery Lane/Leathersley Lane, to remove the 4 near side entry gullies (which were defective) and replace with conventional gullies. They are also putting an additional gully on a low spot in this area. This should hopefully improve the highway drainage in this area.

Outstanding Actions

- Fly tipping near Foston prison is still in place. **Resolved that Clerk has reported to SDDC and chased up. Cllr Holgate confirmed she would also report to SDDC**
- Litter on Watery Lane, Cllrs to look at considering wildlife cameras – **Resolved that Clerk has reported to SDDC and chased up**
- Dog fouling on Coplow Lane – **Resolved that Clerk has reported to SDDC and chased up**
- Land at the back of the play area to potentially be used for a flood storage area.

Clerk confirmed she had heard from DCC and is awaiting an update 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
- Pavement repairs on Scropton Road
- 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 Derbyshire County Council has emailed back confirming that there are no parking restrictions on Uttoxeter Road, Foston, therefore, the Civil Enforcement Officers cannot take any enforcement action.** Cllr Bowles stated that they are parking over the pavements and should have lights on and would take some photos to pass on to DCC.
- Ivy growing on pavement between Coplow Lane and Hay Lane Foston, near the layby, hindering people using the pavement.

Min No 98/20

Correspondence

Action

None

DALC

Hathersage Parish Council Vacancy

Pay freeze - update from LGA

New leisure fund

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SDDC

ASD Sports Pass & Grant Scheme - Application window OPENING MONDAY 14TH

General

Census 2021-new leaflet available

Spotlight of Safer Derbyshire Newsletter

The meeting was closed at 8.10PM

Date of Next Meeting: 9th February 2021 7.30PM Ordinary Meeting

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