

# Minutes of a **Virtual** meeting of **Langwith Parish Council** held at 3:00pm on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2021 hosted at **Shirebrook Town Hall, 209 Station Road, Shirebrook, Derbyshire, NG20 8AF**

PRESENT

Cllr. C Dale Cllr. B Elliott Cllr. L Fritchley Cllr. C Kane Cllr. M Mitchell Cllr. S Peake – Chairman Cllr. A Rozynska Cllr. K Sharpe Cllr. J Smith

Mrs J Jeffery – Parish Clerk & RFO

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs A Tonge – MINUTE CLERK Members of public (O) Cllr. S Fritchley – Bolsover District Council Cllr. J Dixon – Derbyshire County Council

# 2021/001 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence had been received or were tendered on behalf of;

Cllr. S Berry Cllr. T Elliott Cllr. H Hornsby

**RESOLVED:** That the apologies and reasons for absence be accepted.

2021/002 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS.

2021/010 – Planning Matters – Cllr. C Kane

Councillors withdrew from the meeting at suitable points and returned after the relative conversations had concluded.

Where appropriate Councillors remained in the meeting but took no part in the relevant discussions.



#### 2021/003 TO DISCUSS ANY POLICE MATTERS AND DECIDE ANY ISSUES FOR REPORT.

Crime statistics had been supplied with the agenda and are available at <u>https://www.police.uk/pu/your-area/derbyshire-</u> constabulary/scarcliffe/?yourlocalpolicingteam=aboutus

It was raised during the review of the statistics that members of public had again been complaining about the 101 reporting service and their inability to get through to speak with someone. It was also noted that local officers had all shared their concerns regarding the service.

Agenda items 4 and 5 were taken in the opposite order whilst Cllr. Dixon addressed connectivity issues.

#### 2021/004 TO RECEIVE REPORT FROM ATTENDING COUNTY COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE.

Cllr. Dixon reported on recent County Council activity which included the following;

- County Councillors had been given extra funds to assist with Covid support and Cllr. Dixon had allocated her funds to the Freedom Project and Rhubarb Farm to support their efforts in providing hot meals to those in need.
- There had been substantial ASB and drug related littering at Poulter Park which was being addressed. Increased patrols from the SNT and new signage had also been implemented.
- There had been a number of footpath issues, some of which were on going
- Cllr. Peake raised two historical issues and asked for these to be looked at again; repairs to the crossing at the bottom of Pit Hill and a potential mini roundabout at the junction of Albine Road, Chatsworth Avenue and Recreation Road.

CLLR DIXON LEFT THE MEETING AT 15:20

#### 2021/005 TO RECEIVE REPORT FROM ATTENDING DISTRICT COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE.

Cllr. Fritchley reported on recent District Council activity which included the following;

- The District Council had assisted in bringing vaccination centres and testing centres to the district.
- Bolsover District Council were continuing their work on a scheme of house building over the next few years which would provide mixed housing stock across the District including Langwith.
- A planning application had been received relating to the old 'pit bath site' being developed for housing following many years of concerns regarding the site.

CLLR FRITCHLEY LEFT THE MEETING AT 15:12

#### 2021/006 TO PERMIT PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PERIOD.

A PERIOD OF UP TO BUT NO LONGER THAN TEN MINUTES TO RECEIVE QUESTIONS AND OPINIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON ANY MATTER WHICH AFFECTS THE TOWN.

There were no members of the public in attendance at the meeting.



2021/007 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD AS A VIRTUAL MEETING ON 15<sup>th</sup> December 2020.

# **RESOLVED:** That the minutes be accepted as true record of the meeting.

#### 2021/008 TO REVIEW AND APPROVE FINANCIAL INFORMATION.

#### a. TO REVIEW AND AUTHORISE CASH BOOK FOR PERIOD.

The Clerk addressed any queries raised.

# **RESOLVED: That the reviewed cash book be authorised.**

#### b. TO REVIEW AND AUTHORISE BANK RECONCILIATION FOR PERIOD.

# **RESOLVED:** That the reviewed bank reconciliation, showing a balance of £151,990.20 at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020, be authorised.

#### c. TO CONSIDER AND DECIDE APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.

No applications for financial assistance had been received.

#### 2021/009 TO CONSIDER RESPONSES AS NECESSARY TO LISTED CORRESPONDENCE.

No correspondence had been received for review.

#### 2021/010 TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND REVIEW PLANNING DECISIONS.

#### CLLR KANE DECLARED AN INTEREST FOR THIS AGENDA ITEM AND LEFT THE MEETING

WITH THE PERMISSION OF THE MEETING THE CLERK ALSO PRESENTED INFORMATION RELATING TO AN ADDITIONAL APPLICATION (21/00051/Ful) THAT HAD BEEN RECEIVED THAT DAY

Applications	Notes/comments
<b>21/00024/FUL</b> – ABC Limes Ltd, Scarcliffe House Pit Hill Whaley Thorns Mansfield Re-use of Scarcliffe House to form Children's Home	Elected Members raised no objections to this application.
<b>21/00032/OUT</b> – Mr Robert Von Schiller, Station House Langwith Maltings Langwith Mansfield Outline Planning Application with all Matters Reserved for Residential Development (Resubmission of (20/00355/OUT) )	Elected Members raised no objections to this application.
<b>21/00051/FUL</b> – Mr Ama Mandeir, Builders Yard, Pit Hill, Whaley Thorns The demolition of the existing buildings on site, the removal of existing contamination, re-configuration of the land and the construction of 39 residential units with parking served of an associated access road	Elected Members raised no objections to this application.



#### 2021/011 TO RECEIVE INFORMATION FROM THE CLERK.

#### a. TO APPROVE CONTRACTOR FOR TREE WORKS AT PORTLAND ROAD SITE.

Three quotations had been gathered and were reviewed. It was noted that two of the quotes did not include the large timber being removed from site which would incur additional charges. Cllr Kane offered to remove the large timber from site free of charge and asked for it to be noted that he would not be profiting from the timber in any way.

# **RESOLVED:** That the best value option be selected as 'Gary's Forestry Services' at a value of £3,900 and Cllr. Kane's offer to remove the large timber be authorised.

#### b. NEW MANAGEMENT OF ALLOTMENT ASSOCIATION.

The Clerk informed Members that the gentleman who had run the allotment association had recently stepped down due to his health. Two new gentlemen would be running the association in future and contact had already been made with them.

Cllr. Kane also reported on the track around the allotments and the poor state it was in. The issues couldn't be addressed properly in current weather conditions and would be addressed once the weather was better however in the meantime the new allotment association managers had put stakes in the ground to prevent vehicles accessing the site.

#### c. TO REVIEW PRECEPT DOCUMENTATION AND APPROVE PRECEPT FOR 2021/2022

The budget information had been provided with the agenda and Elected Members had had the opportunity to review it thoroughly prior to the meeting.

It was recognised that the effects of Covid had negatively impacted on the budget in respect of income across both venues but financial assistance provided by the District Council had gone some way to mitigating those negative effects.

It was noted in particular that the reduction in the tax base notification from Bolsover District Council would impact the precept demand to show an increase percentage even though the recommendation form the Clerk was not to make any actual increase to the precept demand.

The following recommendations were included in the report;

- 1. That the budget assumptions are accepted and any non-material amendments be delegated to the Parish Clerk.
- 2. That the above be considered alongside this report to show no increase in the precept demand.
- 3. That a precept of £148,000.00 be set.

# RESOLVED: To accept the Parish Clerk's financial reports, approve recommendations 1-3 above and notify a precept demand of £148,000 to Bolsover District Council.



# 2021/012 TO RECEIVE CHAIRMAN'S COMMUNICATIONS.

# a. UPDATES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING.

Cllr. Peake reported on the Christmas meal deliveries and all the positive comments that had been received, she asked that her thanks be noted for all the volunteers and a letter be written to the Lemon Tree Café for their assistance.

She went on the report that all the workforce were continue to work throughout the pandemic in a Covid secure manner.

Only one business was currently able to operate in the former sure start building under current Covid guidelines

# **b.** OTHER ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION.

Cllr. Peake reported that a new gate had been fitted to the entrance to the bowls club site to prevent anti-social use of the site. It was noted that a review of the bowls club lease and rent still needed to be conducted.

# 2021/013 EXEMPT ITEMS

# **Exclusion of public**

Due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted it is advisable, in the public interest, that the public and press be instructed to withdraw from the meeting.

# **RESOLVED:** That the following item/s be discussed as confidential and public and press be instructed to withdraw from the meeting.

#### a. CONTRACTUAL/BUSINESS MATTERS.

No matters were raised under this agenda item.

#### b. PERSONNEL MATTERS.

No matters were raised under this agenda item.

# 2021/014 TO APPROVE THE DATE OF THE NEXT ORDINARY MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL.

The next meeting of the Parish Council would be arranged as required.

SIGNED: CHAIRMAN

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_