

**MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL MEETING OF AUCKLEY PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 10TH FEBRUARY 2021 COMMENCING AT 6.30 P.M..**

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

Public Participation – No members of the public were present at the meeting.

1. **To Receive Apologies for Absence and Approve Reasons Given for Absence**

None received.

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

No declarations of interest were made.

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 13th January 2021**

The minutes were approved and signed as a true record.

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

Cllr Cox advised that any resident over 70 who has not yet been offered a Covid-19 vaccination should contact their G.P. Surgery.

6. **To Report Resignation of Parish Councillor and Decide Whether to Co-opt Before May Election**

It was reported that Cllr Payne has resigned from the Council and his resignation has been accepted. DMBC advises that Council can co-opt an eligible person onto the Council to serve until May when the elections are held.

RESOLVED – Following discussion, members agreed that the meetings are quorate, and therefore it is not worth co-opting someone onto the Council who will only serve for one month before the election.

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

- a) **Parking on Verge Alongside College** - Cllr Cox reported that he has contacted the Planning Dept. regarding this matter and hopefully the College will be providing a hard standing within the grounds. The Deputy Head has spoken with students and asked them to refrain from parking on the verge.
- b) **Unsurfaced Path Leading from Hayfield Lane to Housing Development** – Awaiting a reply from Peel.
- c) **Vehicle Seen at Dart Grove During Dark Evenings** – DMBC’s Community Safety Officer advises that he and a colleague regularly drive along Dart Grove when they are on the late shift to monitor any anti-social behaviour occurring in the park. The Clerk to thank him for his efforts, but point out that often the young offenders will hide in the far corner which cannot be seen from his vehicle.
- d) **Accident at Eilers Lane Car Park** – The resident thanked for drawing Council’s attention to the area where the fall occurred. Unfortunately, the car park is privately owned, and therefore it would be up to the resident if she wishes to pursue this matter.
- e) **Litter Outside Spar Store** – No reply from the Store Manager. Another letter to be sent.

8. **To Consider Council’s Quarterly Internal Audit**

This was approved by Council.

9. **To Discuss Banking of Maintenance Dowry**

Members of Council felt that a separate savings bank account with instant access, or 60 to 90 days’ notice would be the most appropriate way of investing the funds. Information to be obtained.

10. **To Consider Reimbursing the Chairman for Zoom Meeting Charges**

Due to a fault in the Zoom set-up, once a host organises a meeting and pays the licence fee the account continues on automatically until it is closed, but this is not made clear. The Chairman, after hosting the October meeting, was not aware that the account needed to be cancelled and was subsequently charged for November, December and January at £14.39 per session, although the Clerk had taken over hosting meetings from November. Following discussion, Cllr Platts proposed that the Chairman be re-imbursed in the sum of £43.17, this was seconded seconded by Cllr Warrender and agreed.

11. **To Clarify Item No. 9 of Council's Minutes for December 2020 and Discuss Invoice from Street Scene Service for Installation of Two "Domehawk" Cameras, Plus Power Supply/Testing and Signage**

Council had received an invoice from DMBC in the sum of £ 9,880.00 inc.VAT for surveying and installation of two CCTV cameras on the highway plus power supply/testing and signage. However, members were quite clear that, at the December 2020 meeting, they had only agreed in principle to fund the installation of the cameras, and at the January meeting had asked the Clerk to make enquires on whether there were any alternative cameras to connect directly to the Police Camera Centre. There was clearly a misunderstanding, and the invoice has since been cancelled.

Cllr Cox suggested that a joint meeting with neighbouring Parish Councils and the Police would be a positive move for the whole area and give some clarification to this matter. Finningley and Blaxton Councils will be having their meetings in the next 2 weeks, and the Ward Members will put this suggestion to the other Parishes.

12. **To Consider Quotations to Construct Two Concrete bases and Decide Suitable Picnic Tables**

Quotations invited from 2 firms to construct concrete bases for picnic tabled/benches, but only one received.

GNE quotes the sum of £850.00 + VAT.

RESOLVED – Following discussion, Cllr Staniforth proposed that the quotation be accepted, this was seconded by Cllr Warrender, and the motion was carried.

The firm supplying the picnic tables advises that their driver can only deliver to the field entrance, and this could be a problem to carry them as they weigh 150 kg each. It was agreed to ask GNE whether the tables could be delivered to the firm's workshop and subsequently transported to the site for installing once the bases are installed. GNE to be asked to quote for this additional task.

13. **To Consider Quotations to Supply Children's Balancing Apparatus**

Council is still waiting for another quote, and it was therefore agreed to wait until the next meeting.

14. **To Appoint Council's Internal Auditor for 2020/2021**

It was agreed to re-appoint Mr. Philip Dennis as Council's Internal Auditor.

15. **To Discuss Matters Associated with the New Hayfield Park**

Full Bins – Peel's development manager has been notified that the litter and dog waste bins at the park need emptying, and she has promised to make sure that the contractors empty them as soon as possible. It was suggested that the Parish Council asks DMBC Street Services to begin emptying the bins now, rather than having this recurring problem.

New Path - It was reported that the new path leading from the footway to the field has been constructed and is being used.

Possible Camera –In view of current anti-social activities occurring at the site it was agreed to ask Peel's development manager and the manager of the new housing development to the rear of the site whether they might be willing to contribute towards the cost of a CCTV camera adjacent to the site.

16. **To Discuss Highway Matters**

a) Severe Ponding Mosham Road – DMBC Highways Officer was informed in October 2020 of water ponding on the highway outside Lidgett Gardens and replied that work being undertaken at the nearby junction would address the problem. However, a resident has sent photographs of further ponding occurring since the works finished, and these have been sent to DMBC.

b) Possible Railings on Hurst Lane Bridge – A resident has written to report that railings have been installed on a footway adjacent to the Great Yorkshire Way, and enquires whether a similar structure could be erected on the footway over the Hurst Lane railway bridge.

RESOLVED – Following discussion, it was agreed that the footway is too narrow to provide railings.

c) Major Water Leak at First Avenue – It was reported that a major water leak had recently occurred on First Avenue emanating from the industrial unit opposite Armstrong House. In addition, water had again been ponding at the entrance to the airport.

Council was informed at the meeting that all the water had since been drained away.

16. **To Discuss Highway Matters (continued)**

- d) Mosham Road/Hurst Lane Junction – Council has received a number of complaints from driving residents who have experienced problems with the new signalled junction as follows:
The sequence of lights – problems particularly for motorists turning off from the B1396.
Concerns that the pedestrian crossing facility is a 2- stage process.
An absence of railings near the crossing.
A very tight space for HGV's turning from Hurst Lane towards Blaxton.
These concerns to be referred to DMBC Highways.

17. **To Discuss Recreational Matters**

- a) Felled Trees Near Meteor House- A resident reported on Saturday 6th February that a number of trees were being felled outside Meteor House, although it was confirmed that none of the trees were subject to Tree Protection Orders. It was later discovered that the building has been sold and the trees were being removed to allow for a new access to a proposed development site.
- b) Collection of Litter– Residents have been seen collecting litter around the Parish, and it was agreed to thank them in the next newsletter. The Community Safety Officer to be asked if he can supply Council with some litter pickers.
- c) Dogs Fouling Footways – Residents report that Ellers Lane and School Lane are currently being fouled by dogs. The Clerk to write and ask if “No Dog Fouling” stencils could be applied to the affected footways.

18. **To Consider YLCA's Questionnaire Regarding Continuation of Remote Meetings**

NALC is continuing to press for the power to conduct remote meetings to be continued beyond the 7th May and make it permanent under primary legislation. Parish Councils are asked for their views. RESOLVED – Members of Council agreed that the opportunity should be given to continue holding remote meetings if any Council so wishes, and would support NALC's proposal.

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

The number of crimes reported to the Police in December was 40.

The local PCSO's continue to patrol the Parish, including the new Hayfield Park, Riverside Park and the areas where anti-social behaviour has been observed.

20. **To Receive an Update on the Neighbourhood Plan Group**

It was reported that no meetings have been held since the pandemic, but a virtual meeting is being considered in March.

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

Members are to look and suggest if any further information is required.

22. **To Receive Reports of Meetings/Seminars Attended by Members of Council**

- a) iGas Meeting – An email from Misson Parish Council to highlight issues associated with iGas. has been circulated to members of Council.
- b) Parish Centre Meeting held 8th February – Cllr Warrender reported there are new procedures in place when unlocking the new replacement doors.
- c) Airport Consultative Meeting – Cllr Worthington reported that anyone wishing to apply to the Community Fund must make contact by April 2021. The furlough scheme is to end in April.
- d) Planning Seminar - Cllr Worthington attended – Information on Appeals and Considerations
- e) Transport User Group – Cllr Swainston reported that bus passengers are down, and buses will be prioritised for schools. Train passenger numbers are also down.
Trespassing has increased on railway property. Next meeting will be 15th April.

23. **To Consider Planning Applications:**

- a) No. 20/03552/ADV – Display of 3 signs to be erected at Yorkshire Wildlife Park Entrance
Yorkshire Wildlife Park, Brockholes Lane, Branton

- b) No. 21/00017/ADV – Display of hub building signage
Yorkshire Wildlife Park, Brockholes Lane, Branton

Council had no objections or comments to the above applications, other than the fact that these applications are for land within Auckley Parish, not Branton. Council has expressed concerns that it was not advised by Planning Dept. of these applications and asked to be notified of any others within the Parish in the future.

- 23 c) No.19/01563/FUL – Proposed dwellings at School Lane, Auckley. Council objected to the initial and amended applications, and will wait to see what further application is to be made.
- d) **No. 20/03415/FULM - A hybrid planning application comprising:**
- i) **Application for full planning permission for the construction of highway/drainage infrastructure and strategic landscape planting within the application site; and**
 - ii) **An application for outline planning permission with all matters reserved (except access) for up to maximum floorspace of 42,689sqm GIA, comprising of;**
 - 13,572m² of floorspace to be used within Class E (g) (offices);**
 - 12,143m² of floor space to be used within Class C3 (residential);**
 - 8,826m² to be used within Class C1 (up to 3 hotels);**
 - 3,529m² to be used within Classes E (a) (b)& Sue Generis ® (retail / restaurant/ café/ hot food takeaway);**
 - 2,833m² to be used within Classes E (a)/E (c) /E (b)/ SG (p)/SG ® E(e)/ or E (f) / (retail/financial and professional services/restaurant/café/drinking establishment/hot food takeaway and community facilities such as medical facilities or creche);**
 - 1,700m² to be used within Class E (a) (food retail);**
 - 919m² to be used within Classes E (b) /SG ® (restaurant/café/hot food/takeaway)**
 - 473m² to be used within Class E (a)/Sur Generis (retail/petrol filling station); and**
 - 314m² to be used within Classes SG (q) (public house) together with facilities for the storage of waste, car parking, landscaping, site re-profiling, drainage and utilities infrastructure.**
- Land Off Insall Way, Auckley, Doncaster.**

Council was opposed to this application for the following reasons:

Drainage – There are serious concerns that drainage in this area is not adequate – some of the properties on Insall Way Estate have already suffered water ponding in their gardens. The run-off water will drain into a narrow field dyke, which regularly floods, then into the River Torne which is already receiving additional water from developments upstream. Presumably, sewerage from the new site will be piped into the existing plant serving the old RAF dwellings which is an old system. It is recommended that an update of the drainage, soakaways and river is required before any development at this site is undertaken.

Hotels – What statistics have determined that three hotels are needed for the proposed development? There is currently an under-used hotel in close proximity to the airport, and another one planned for the Yorkshire Wildlife Park within Auckley Parish.

Public Footpath – Council is extremely concerned that the public footpath that crosses the site is in danger of being extinguished. Council seeks assurances that the path will be retained.

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

The following planning applications have been approved by the Planning Committee:

- a) No. 20/03385/FUL – Erection of rear extension, and extension to existing utility room
12 Maple Avenue, Auckley, Doncaster
- b) No. 20/03042/FUL – Erection of two storey side extension and single storey rear extension plus erection of front porch and alterations to existing
1 Avon Court, Auckley, Doncaster

25. **To Receive Correspondence**

NALC – Chief Executive's Bulletins

YLCA – Various Virtual Training Seminars; White Rose Updates

POLICE – Central Area's Report

CO-OP - Information from Co-operative representative to promote activities

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

BACS no. 110	Handyman's Wages	Duties in Parish	£254.65
BACS no. 111	Mrs. M. Caygill	Zoom Licence	£14.39
BACS no. 112	Mrs. M. Caygill	Zoom Licence	£14.39
BACS no. 113	HMRC	Employee Tax	£63.80
BACS no. 114	Arrow Publications	Items in newsletter	£66.00
BACS no. 115	Mr. P.J. Raine	Neighbourhood web site	£180.00
BACS no. 116	Cantley w Branton Council	Supply ink cartridges	£50.00
BACS no. 117	Mat & Mouse	Zoom billing/remote support	£35.00
BACS no. 118	Mrs. M. Caygill	Purchase flowers	£45.00
BACS no. 119	WEL Medical	Supply defibrillator	£1,500.00
BACS no. 120	Mrs. J. Worthington	Reimburse Zoom meetings	£43.17

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

It was agreed to hold the next virtual Parish Council meeting on Wednesday, 10th March 2021, commencing at 6.30 p.m.

ChairpersonDate

