

Minutes of a Meeting of Codnor Parish Council

held at 7.00 pm

on Monday 1 February 2021 by Zoom Remote

Present.

Councillors F Carmichael, Mrs C Cox, M Howard, C Emmas-Williams, D Jowett (Chairman), C Neale, M Neale, Pat Smith and Peter Smith.

Also Present

Mr A Sharpe (Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer) and 6 Members of the public including Councillor D Williams.

16/21 To receive apologies for absence

RESOLVED that the apology for absence received from Councillor A Moon be approved.

17/21 Declaration of Members Interests

None.

18/21 Public Speaking

(a) Public Matters

A member of the public raised concerns in relation to the play area under the Parish Councils ownership at Brierley Road. Issues of anti-social behaviour, threats and intimidation from teenagers had been experienced and the Council were asked if a solution could be identified. One solution put forward by residents was to relocate the play area to the site of the nearby older play area owned by Amber Valley Borough Council.

(b) Police Matters

None.

(c) County Councillors Report

None.

(d) Borough Councillors Report

None.

19/21 Brierley Road Play Area

Having received representations earlier in the meeting during public speaking the Parish Council -

RESOLVED -

- (1) That whilst the Parish Council were totally sympathetic to the concerns raised by some residents the issue was not something that the Council could resolve for the following reasons –

The Play area was provided as part of the planning conditions and could not be discharged in another location.

The cost of possible relocation would be substantial.

Anti-Social behaviour should be reported to the Police to enforce.

- (2) The Clerk should write to Amber Valley Borough Council to suggest that the other nearby play area is site is constantly waterlogged and asking if this can be looked into. This could ease the numbers using the Brierley Road site and reduce the problems.

20/21 Dispensations

None.

21/21 Minutes

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 4 January 2021 be approved as a true record. These would be signed by the Chairman in due course.

22/21 To determine which items, if any, of the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded

RESOLVED that no items on the agenda be considered with the press and public excluded.

23/21 Chairman's Announcements

None, but it was noted that the Derbyshire County Council had responded to the Councils request regarding 4x4 vehicles in High Holborn Woods – to indicate that this issue should be reported to the police.

24/21 Leaders Report

None.

25/21 Environmental matters

None.

26/21 Parish Council – Items for Decision/Action/Update

(a) **Review of Standing Orders/Financial Regulations**

Council considered the latest Standing Orders and Financial Regulation. It was recommended that the temporary amendments made in 2020 in relation emergency powers in place during the Coronavirus Pandemic remain in place for as long as the law remains in place.

RESOLVED that the updated Standing Orders and Financial Regulations be approved and adopted.

(b) **Risk Assessments**

RESOLVED that the lone worker risk assessment, home working and events risk assessments be noted.

(c) **Land Near Tesco Express**

Further to recent discussions and lack of reply Council considered the sending of a further letter to the land owner to a newly identified address.

It was **RESOLVED** accordingly.

Note – Since the meeting the Land owner had responded so no further letter was sent.

(d) **Railings Alfreton Road Car Park**

RESOLVED that a quote of £360 be accepted from Tudor Landscapes for the repainting of the railings.

(e) **Tree Maintenance Field Street**

RESOLVED that the quotation of £360 (plus Vat) for the annual tree work at Field Street be accepted from Tom Richards Tree Surgeons.

(f) **Events 2021**

The Clerk updated Members on the plans for events in 2021. If these are able to go ahead the Bonfire would be 5 November 2021 and the Carol Service on 14 December 2021.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

(g) **Casual Vacancy**

The Clerk advised that the vacancy would be advertised in the next few weeks.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

(h) **Multi User**

RESOLVED that it be noted that the meeting with representatives of Ripley Town Council would take place on 9 February 2021.

(i) **Covid 19 Update and Local Initiatives**

Council noted the latest updates regarding Covid 19.

(j) **Amber Valley Employment Land Review 2021**

RESOLVED that the Amber Valley Employment Review and the deadline for comments. This could be added to the next agenda.

27/21 Finance

(a) **Accounts for Payment**

RESOLVED that the accounts for payment be approved.

Cheque	Payee/Description	Nett	VAT	Gross
UT BACS Ref 30266234	DCC Pension	302.61	0.00	302.61
UT BACS Ref 203378921	HMRC	155.61	0.00	155.61
UT BACS Ref 813225310	Viking Stationery	30.38	6.08	36.46
UT BACS Ref 41538761	DCC Mill Lane Licence fee	200.00	0.00	200.00
UT BACS Ref 378058151	AVBC Grass cuts at play area	232.00	46.40	278.40
UT BACS Ref 126322907	Butler Cook - Payroll	77.00	15.40	92.40
UT BACS Ref 640866137	Viking Stationery	31.59	2.24	33.83
UT BACS Ref 728489848	JRB Dog bags	221.00	44.20	265.20
UT BACS Ref 815821006 and 672775188 and 250419753	Staff salaries January plus expenses	1777.38	0.00	1777.38

(b) That the bank reconciliation be noted and approved –

Bank Reconciliation

Balance b/f at 1 April	£	140,760.44
Add total receipts	£	70,852.00
Less total payments	£	52,312.34

Balance £ **159,300.10**

Represented by bank balances 30 December

Current	£	44,886.21
Deposit	£	6,427.06
Business Term Deposit	£	37,086.35
U Trust	£	70,900.48
Less uncashed cheques	£	-
	£	159,300.10

28/21 Planning and Licensing

Council noted the following planning applications –

AVA/2020/0948	74 Codnor Denby Lane – Demolition of existing extension and erection of 2 new extensions.	This had been permitted.
AVA/2020/1142	7 Smith Avenue – Proposed two storey extension.	This had been permitted.
AVA/2020/1194	50 Heanor Road –two storey rear extension	This Had been permitted
AVA/2020/1214	89 Heanor Road – Demolition of existing property and 2 dormer properties, flat and parking proposed	No objections

29/21 Items for Information only

None

30/21 Date of Next Meeting

1 March 2021.