**CHURCH BROUGHTON PARISH COUNCIL**

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 1ST JULY 2021.**

Those present: In attendance:

Councillor Spalton-Chairman Helena Steeples-Clerk

Councillor Pedley

Councillor Woodhall

DCC Councillor Patten

SDDC Councillor Lemmon

2 Parishioners

**54.0 APOLOGIES**

Councillor Spalton welcomed all to the meeting. Apologies were received and accepted from SDDC Councillor Smith.

**55.0 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Councillor Spalton welcomed Mrs Shanks on behalf of the PCC. Mrs Shanks advised that additional burial ground at the rear of the church is un-welcoming, and the PCC would like to put in paths, shrubs, wildflowers, and seating.

Councillor Spalton reminded all present that the Parish Council had been asked to purchase the additional burial ground several years ago because there was limited space in the original graveyard, and it is the legal duty of the Parish Council to provide burial land. It took a considerable time and effort to eventually be able to purchase the land, put in fence and hedging. The Parish Council own the land and did offer the land to the church, and it was refused. The church organises burials and keep funds raised. The Parish Council pay for maintenance., cutting of the grass and understand the hedge will need laying in a few years. As the Parish Council own the land and the PCC would need permission install paths etc. Councillor Spalton advised that only recently the Parish Council and Mr Weil had paid for the area ditch to be cleared. Access to the ditch must be maintained and all parties need to be careful that all the land can be retained as burial land. This ditch is not the responsibility of the Parish Council. Councillor Spalton said the Parish Council would be unhappy to see the area go back to nature but would welcome to see a plan of the PCC suggestions.

Mrs Shanks to prepare plan. ACTION: MRS SHANKS

**56.0 OUTSIDE BODIES PARTICIPATION**

None.

**57.0 REPORTS FROM DISTRICT & COUNTY COUNCILLORS & POLICE**

Councillor Lemmon reported:

The Heath Top proposal has gone through and was given 2 enhanced conditions as Councillors Lemmon & Patten had raised issues regarding light pollution and the visual impact on the surrounding areas. Extra planting of shrubs/trees is required.

There had been a complaint about housing on Main Street and SDDC confirmed their issues to be addressed.

DCC/SDDC are funding & piloting “Pictorial Meadows” which are several test sites around the county where wildflowers have been set. Dependant on how these grow, will depend on if this scheme is extended. SDDC Councillor Lemmon advised that not only are seeds planted but the areas must be weeded!

A central government decision has been made that East Midlands Global Network (freight trains) are to run from Etwall to Ratcliffe on Soar. It is hoping that this will increase jobs in the area.

DCC Councillor Patten advised that she has been able to give funds to Mr Massingham for the Heath Top hide and notice board.

Councillors have been receiving training on the new DCC road repair online reporting facility. Anyone can report but we need to be aware it can from 2 to 8 weeks for a repair to be completed.

Area Forums have been suspended until the autumn due to Covid restrictions.

Councillor Pedley advised that the bollard has not yet been installed on Sapperton Lane. DCC Patten to chase. Also, Councillor Pedley has not heard from Ian Hey re our application for funding. ACTION: DDC PATTEN

Councillor Spalton showed DCC Patten an application to have Chapel Lane made into a public footpath. The notice had been found attached to a post at the top of Chapel Lane. The Parish Council and DCC Patten had not heard of this application. DCC Patten to make enquiries. ACTION: DCC COUNCILLOR PATTEN

DCC Patten and SDDC Councillor left the meeting at 7.30pm.

**58.0 CO-OPTION OF PARISH COUNCILLOR**

Councillor Spalton welcomed Mr Speake. Mr Speake advised that he has been living in the village since 2007; wished to help the Parish and be more involved in village life. Mr Speake left the meeting while Councillors discussed his nomination. It was agreed by all present to invite Mr Speake to become a member of the Parish Council.

Mr Speake returned to the meeting and was welcomed as a member of the Parish Council.

**59.0 SIGN DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE &**

**60.0 COMPLETE REGISTER OF MEMBERS INTEREST FORM**

Councillor Speake was given paperwork and asked to complete and return.

**61.0 TO RECEIVE & APPROVE REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS FROM MEMBERS ON MATTERS IN WHICH THEY HAVE A DISCLOSURABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST**

None.

**62.0 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

The minutes of the last meeting were read, approved, and signed. Proposed by Councillor Pedley and seconded by Councillor Spalton. Clerk to resend minutes. ACTION: CLERK

**63.0 MATTERS ARISING**

**63.1 COMMUNITY PLAN**

Councillor Pedley advised that the joint Parish Council Annual Meeting and the Community Led Plan meeting which was to be held on 8th July has been moved to September due to Covid restrictions. Feedback from the questionnaire on the site of the new village hall showed that the preferred option was to use football field by the side of the school. The Pratt sisters own the land, and the lease is between the 3 sisters and SDDC. Councillor Pedley wondered if the opportunity arose could the Parish Council approach the landowners to enquire if they would be willing to sell. Councillor Spalton advised that previously 2 of the 3 sisters were happy to donate the land to the village but the third was unwilling. The Parish Council were informed by legal that it is extremely difficult to say who owns which part of the field. Councillor Pedley asked if it would be helpful to have further discussions with the family. Councillor Spalton stated it may be prudent to make an approach.

**63.2 METHODIST CHAPEL UPDATE**

Councillor Pedley has not heard back from SDDC Ian Hey re a Community & Environment Partnership Scheme Grant Application. DCC Patten will chase. A Public Works Loan application has been submitted to Wendy Amiss at DALC. Councillor Pedley advised that the Methodist Chapel Circuit have indicated there may be some leeway with dates. ACTION: COUNCILLOR PEDLEY & DCC PATTEN

**63.3 RISK MANAGEMENT**

None

**63.4 MISSING BOLLARD**

Councillor Pedley advised that the bollard has not yet been installed on Sapperton Lane. DCC Patten to chase. ACTION: DCC PATTEN

**63.5 READING ROOM LAND UPDATE & POLITE NOTICE**

Councillor Woodhall advised that she has seen children playing on the land, throwing stones and debris onto the path and car park. Councillor Woodhall spoke with the children to ask them to stop doing these activities. Children are disrespecting the area and parents are not supervising or tell their children off. Councillor Woodhall asked could we issue a polite notice advising parishioners are looking after this land for the benefit of the community and we ask parents to supervise their children.

An email had been received from Mrs Hurst who also had witnessed the same activity at another time. The incidents are all related to pub goers whose children are playing on the land and not on school children.

Councillors discussed this mater. All agreed that this is not acceptable behaviour. Councillor Woodhall to write an article which can be sent from the Parish Council. ACTION: COUNCILLOR WOODHALL

**63.6 NOTICEBOARDS/LAMINATED POSTERS**

Councillor Spalton confirmed the new notice board had been delivered and requested help in erecting. Councillor Pedley offered to help. ACTION: COUNCILLORS SPALTON/PEDLEY

**63.7 TREE ON MEADOW RISE**

No update.

**63.8 AUDEN CLOSE**

Malcolm Roseburgh from SDDC had confirmed that the developers had been liquidated and the land is now Crown property. The Crown will not maintain but they will transfer to a local authority or a Management Company. According to DCC mapping portal Auden Close and Fearne Close are adopted – so DCC will maintain. Normally the developer would set up a management company. Mr Roseburgh asked would the Parish Council be interested in working with residents and SDDC to set up a management company. Councillors were happy to facilitate a meeting with residents to find out what they would wish. Councillors Pedley to speak with residents. ACTION: COUNCILLORS. Councillors wished to find out from SDDC do the Parish Council have to be involved in a potential management company. ACTION: CLERK

SDDC to be informed of decisions. ACTION: CLERK

**63.9 WILDLIFE AREA/PATHS IN REAR CHURCH YARD**

See item 55.0

**63.10 DOG WASTE BINS**

Alan Grist from SDDC has confirmed that the dog bins are emptied on Thursday’s, and he will enquire if we can have a separate bin for the refuse collected by the Lengthsmen. Councillors are aware that it is not illegal to place dog waste in the general waste bins. Clerk to chase. ACTION: CLERK

**63.11 DAMAGE TO TREES**

Councillor Woodhall confirmed that the damaged fruit tree outside school had been replaced and an invoice issued. Councillor Woodhall to check when invoiced paid. Clerk confirmed an email had been received from the family who stated they had paid but were very surprised at the amount charged. Councillor Woodhall said they may speak with her if necessary.

**63.12 MAPS OF PARISH TO DISTRIBUTE**

SDDC Councillor Smith had sent maps of the parish which were distributed.

**64.0 CORRESPONDENCE**

**64.1 SUTTON LANE, SCHOOL PIECE LANE & LIMBERSTITCH LANE**

Lanes to be closed due to resurfacing on 12th July.

**64.2 TRAINING**

DALC – basic principals of planning 5th July & 18th November.

SDDC Smith had also sent a link for training organised by LGA.

[www.local.gov.uk](http://www.local.gov.uk)

Councillors to inform Clerk which courses they wish to attend.

**64.3 QUEENS PLATIUM JUBILEE**

Councillor Woodhall advised that if we wish to take part in the planting of trees, we have to submit an in-depth plan of where the trees will be planted and their exact location. Councillors asked for the links to be resent and for this to be discusses at the joint meeting of the Parish Council and Community Plan.

**65.0 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

**65.1 DMPA/2021/0920 THE ERECTION OF A GARDEN ROOM AT WHEATSHEAF BARN, LODGE HILL FARM, LODGE HILL, CHURCH BROUGHTON**

No objections.

**65.2 DMPA/2021/5048 – CHANGE OF USE FROM AGRICULTURAL/EQUESTIAN USE, THE ERECTION OF AN AGRICULTURAL BUILDING WITH STOEN TRACK ROAD AND THE CREATION OF AN EQUESTIAN MENAGE AREA AT THE HAYLOFT, LODGE HILL FARM, CHURCH BROUGHTON**

Councillors didn’t disagree in principal but had serious concerns over the visual impact of the agricultural barn as the post and rail fencing for the land is clearly visible from Longford Lane. If the planning application is passed, we would ask that suitable screening measures are put in place.

**65.3 DMPA/2021/0816 – THE ERECTION OF AN AGRICULTURAL BARN & THE CREATION OF MENAGE AT LODGE HILL FAR, UNNAMED ROAD LEADING FROM LONGFORD LANE TO BARTON HALL, CHURCH BROUGHTON**

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**66.0 FINANCE**

**66.1 FINANCE REPORT**

Clerk to issue. ACTION: CLERK

**66.2 CLERKS SALARY £204.16 LESS TAX = £163.36**

It was proposed by Councillor Spalton and seconded by Councillor Pedley to pay the Clerks salary. Cheque serial number 001265 Councillor Redfern will need to sign the cheque.

**66.3 J HARDY LENGTHSMAN £65.60**

It was proposed by Councillor Spalton and seconded by Councillor Pedley to pay Mr Hardy. Cheque serial number 001266 Councillor Redfern will need to sign the cheque.

**66.4 D WALLIS LENGTHSMAN £57.08**

It was proposed by Councillor Spalton and seconded by Councillor Pedley to pay Mr Wallis. Cheque serial number 001267 Councillor Redfern will need to sign the cheque.

**66.5 HMRC £55.00**

It was proposed by Councillor Spalton and seconded by Councillor Pedley to pay HMRC. Cheque serial number 001268 Councillor Redfern will need to sign the cheque.

**66.6 BANK MANDATE**

Councillor Spalton to arrange a date and time for all Councillors to attend the bank to complete a new mandate. ACTION: COUNCILLOR SPALTON

**67.0 REPORTS**

**67.1 ROADS**

No items to report.

**67.2 FOOTPATHS/MINOR MAINTENANCE**

Councillor Woodhall advised that she had spoken with a gentleman at Barton Hall re the overgrown footpath by wood. Nothing has yet been done. Councillor Spalton offered to go and visit owner. ACTION: COUNCILLOR SPALTON

**68.0 POLICIES**

None.

**69.0 ITEMS FOR CALENDAR**

None.

**70.0 CHAIRMANS NOTICES**

None.

**71.0 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Thursday 2nd September 2021