MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ACTON EDLESTON AND HENHULL PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT ACTON PARISH HALL ON 26 SEPTEMBER 2019

PRESENT: Councillor Carol Mace
Councillor Tom Doyle
Councillor Paul Weaver
Councillor Dave Taylor
Councillor Philip Percival
Councillor Clare Lewis Jones

APOLOGIES: Councillor Sarah Pochin
Councillor Les Hobson

IN ATTENDANCE: Annie Coombs
Mike Houlston
Richard and Debbie Ravenscroft
Michael Burrows
Gary Williams
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DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Philip Percival declared an interest in any matters relating to Kingsley Fields Development.

DISPENSATIONS

No Dispensation Forms were submitted.

MINUTES:

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 18 July 2019 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

MATTERS ARISING:

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Carol Mace reported that she had received the Fact Check Version of the Plan back from the Examiner on 26 September and would email it out to all Members for them to check through. 2 Weeks have been given for these checks and then it needs to be sent back to the Examiner. Any changes should go back with a covering letter from the Parish Council and Cheshire East Council. Only factual changes can be made, i.e. spelling mistakes etc. Can't change any "meanings".

The Examiner had picked up on "Green Gap and Settlement Boundaries". Lucy from CCA had said well done to everyone in putting the Plan together. We should all feel proud and happy with the result. Lucy also said that the changes that needed to be made were only minor.

DORFOLD ESTATES

Carol Mace reported that a meeting had been held on 16 September with Dorfold and Turnberry Estates.

They are hoping to submit the planning application at the end of the month. Carol had asked for a copy of the revised plan of the development but had not as yet received it.

Mike Houlston commented that a broader discussion was needed when the Plan had been received.

Dave Taylor suggested another Public meeting take place.

Clare Lewis Jones said she would help in arranging said Meeting.

This item to be put on the next Agenda – 28 November.

Clare Lewis Jones had emailed Turnberry to ask if they had put in any similar developments. They advised they had had projects in Oben and Aberdeen. Carol Mace suggested Clare might like to look on Turnberry's Website for information about these.

CAR PARK

Dave Taylor had done a check of works to be carried out on the Car Park. He had contacted Steve Jones to ask for quotes for said works and also maintenance of the footpath to the Canal. Three quotes had been obtained.

Quote 1: Estimate to carry out annual maintenance work on the public footpath running from Wilbraham Road to the Canal Footbridge. £600.00

Quote 2: Estimate to carry out the annual maintenance work oon the verges surrounding the car park. £600.00

Quote 3: Estimate for maintenance of car park. £820.00

AGREED: All three quotes were agreed by the Parish Council.

The Pot holes at the entrance of the Car Park – Dave Taylor said he was happy to get the materials to fill in the holes. Tom Doyle said he would help.

AGREED: Dave Taylor to invoice the Parish Council for any costs incurred.

ASSETS REGISTER 2019-2020

The Assets Register 2019-2020 was tabled at the meeting.

AGREED: The following items to be added:-

(a) £1,000 for maintenance of Streetlights to Car Park
(b) £1,000 for Steve Jones for maintenance of car park and footpaths
(c) £1,000 for Battlefield Sign
(d) £1,000 for Speed Gun
(e) £55 for Clerks Printer
(f) An amount to be added when Laptop purchased

YEARLY MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE – CHESTER ROAD

Carol Mace had asked Cllr Sarah Pochin what the Yearly Maintenance Schedule was for the Chester Road. Cllr Pochin had reported that this was twice a year.

Philip Percival had asked what was the Council's policy on Green growth between pavements and kerb stones. Clerk to ask Cllr Pochin to find out.

WI TREE PLANTING

Carol Mace had received a letter from the WI. The WI want to plant two trees to commemorate the Cheshire Federation WI Centenary next year and also Reaseheath WI's 90th birthday. They had thought possibly planting trees at the end of Wilbraham Road on the grassed areas but the Parish Council thought that this was not a good position for the trees as it would cause a visual obstruction and with the proposed traffic calming measures for the Chester Road the trees could be removed in a couple of years. However the Parish Council are keen to assist the WI in this matter.

NOMINATION FOR ACTON UNITED CHARITIES TRUSTEE TO REPRESENT THE PARISH COUNCIL

AGREED: Tom Doyle was nominated to be the Parish Council's representative. Clerk to inform the Trust.

BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Councillor Sarah Pochin gave her apologies for the meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE:

The Clerk issued correspondence received.

ACCOUNTS:

The following were approved for payment from the Parish Council Account:-

(a)	Acton Parish Hall – 26.09.19	£ 13.10
(b)	Clerk's back pay – 01.04.18 - 31.03.19 and 01.04.19 – 25.06.19	£ 41.14
(c)	Came & Company Insurance (already processed)	£294.17
(d)	Payment to Clerk for Printer purchased for PC	£ 54.99
(e)	Shires Payroll (2nd Quarter)	£ 37.50
(f)	PKF Littlejohn – External Audit Fees	£240.00

PARISH COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Paul Weaver reported he had heard a rumour that there would be no School on the Kingsbourne Estate. He asked whose decision would it be for a School or not. Clerk to contact Sarah Pochin for an update.

Paul Weaver reported about speeding on the Malbank Waters Development especially in Heron Way. He asked if temporary speed signs could be erected along Heron Way. He

also asked about Dog waste bins – Clerk to contact Bovis. Clerk also to contact Cllr Stan Davies to ask what can be done to improve the area.

Paul Weaver asked about a Royal Mail letterbox on Malbank Waters. He said that the Residents wanted a box. Paul to look into this.

Carol Mace reported that the Telephone Box on Chester Road needed painting.

Philip Percival reported again the problems in Welshman's Lane.

Dave Taylor reported that a new sign detailing the height of the barrier on the Car Park was required. Dave to look into this.

Dave Taylor reported on the purchase of SIDs (Speed Indicator Devices). Clerk to contact Dave Chan in Highways to arrange a meeting to ascertain the best place on the Chester Road for the SIDs to be located. Dave reported that the SIDs that are plugged into the mains cost approx. £3,500 each.

AGREED: Dave Taylor to look into purchasing 2 SIDs.

Dave Taylor reported about the entrance to Church Farm. Part of the planning permission was to replant trees. Some trees had been planted near to the Equine Shed but had now disappeared. Clerk to contact Planning Enforcement.

Dave Taylor reported about condition of the footpath from Wilbraham Road to the Canal. The small gate is in disrepair and needs replacing. Also the style is in disrepair. Dave to get quotes for a replacement style from Rural Stepbuilders.

Carol Mace reported again about the Chalet in the field at Bluestone Crossroads and that she was still trying to get this removed. She said that on Nantwich Show Day a huge container had been deposited in the field. Sarah Pochin is aware and looking into this.

It was reported that Footpaths on the Kingsbourne Development and Malbank Waters Development need looking at and resurfacing.

COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Members of the public attended the meeting particularly to discuss their views on the proposed Dorfold Development:-

Mr Burrows asked what had come out of the Special meeting held on 16 September and also asked would the Draft Plan for the development be put on the website.

Mr Williams asked the Chairman what was her understanding of the positioning of the houses – 53 houses with 30% affordable housing. Would Monks Lane be one way traffic or left two way. Would the pub be positioned on the opposite side of the road to the existing car park. Would there be access to the new pub along the new road and off Chester Road and Monks Lane?

Grove Cottage residents had been contacted by Turnberry for their comments.

Had Cheshire East had been advised of the new location of the pub.

Mr and Mrs Ravenscroft said that the letter to Turnberry from the Parish Council was very well put together with the response very heartening and that the questions were pertinent. They felt that Dorfold Estates were under an illusion that they will have control over what is built. They said that they were going home feeling quite confident that the Parish Council were doing everything they can and asking the right questions. They thanked the Parish Council.

It was asked if there was any Clause to prevent a Phase 2 to the development.

Residents were struggling to sell properties because of the possible development.

They felt that there were very few benefits to the Development. The Pub would be more like a hotel than a pub. It was suggested a possible eating area for the public and a bar area. Not just a pub for Dorfolds Wedding Guests. It was felt Charles Roundell was open to this idea.

Mr and Mrs Ravenscroft asked about play spaces and open spaces in the development. Charles Roundell had indicated that Dorfold would maintain these.

Claire Lewis Jones felt that the open spaces would be better handed over to the Church or some similar body. Claire also said she was pleased with the turnout of residents at the meeting and that it was very positive and good that they were interested and their attention to detail.

Meeting finished at 8.10pm

The next meeting will be on **THURSDAY 28 NOVEMBER 2019 AT 7.30PM**