MINUTES OF AN ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING OF ACTON EDLESTON AND HENHULL PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT ACTON PARISH HALL ON 27 MAY 2021

PRESENT: Councillor Carol Mace
Councillor Les Hobson
Councillor Paul Weaver
Councillor Philip Percival
Councillor Tom Doyle

NOMINATION OF CHAIR

The Clerk asked for nominations for the post of Chair to the Parish Council. Carol Mace was nominated by Philip Percival and seconded by Paul Weaver. There were no other nominations. Philip Percival commented that it was very much appreciated the work carried out by Carol Mace as Chair.

NOMINATON OF VICE-CHAIR

The Chair asked for nominations for the post of Vice-Chair to the Parish Council. Tom Doyle was nominated by Philip Percival and seconded by Carol Mace. There were no other nominations.

NOMINATION OF RESPONSIBLE FINANCE OFFICER

The Chair asked for nominations for the post of Responsible Finance Officer to the Parish Council. Carol Mace was nominated by Philip Percival and seconded by Tom Doyle. There were no other nominations.

APOLOGIES

No apologies for absence were received.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No Declarations of Interest were received.

DISPENSATIONS

No Dispensations were received.

MINUTES:

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on 25 March 2021 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2020-2021

AGREED: The completed Annual Governance Statement was agreed by the Parish Council and signed by the Chairman.

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AGREED: The Annual Accounting Statement for year ending 31 March 2021 was agreed by the Parish Council and signed by the Chair.

AGREED: The completed Annual Return was agreed by the Parish Council and signed by the Chairman.

Carol Mace, Chairman, welcomed everyone to the Parish Council Meeting.

DORFOLD

The Planning Application – 19/5211N was hopefully going to Southern Planning Committee at the end of June. It was felt that if it wasn't passed Dorfold Estates would take it to Appeal.

WIFI FOR PARISH HALL

Carol Mace reported that there is now a landline from the Green box to the Parish Hall but no connection. A survey of the trees at the Parish Hall to take place and the trees cut down and then hopefully the line can be connected to the existing BT poles.

CORNER HOUSE CHESTER ROAD ACTON

Tom Doyle reported about the damage to the corner of his house from vehicles turning in/out of Monks Lane. He asked if the original bollard that had been on Monks Lane could be reinstated and he provided photographs showing the bollard.

AGREED: Clerk to write to Cheshire East Highways asking for this bollard to be reinstated.

CAR PARK

Carol Mace reported that the lease on the Car Park was up for renewal in July 2021.

Les Hobson asked if the Clerk could get a quote from Cheshire East Highways for putting LED lights in the Streetlights in the Car Park that were not working at present. Clerk to contact CE Highways for a quote.

BOROUGH COUNCILLORS REPORT

Councillor Sarah Pochin was not in attendance.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk issued correspondence received.

ACCOUNTS:

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

(a)	Membership to Chalc	£ 261.72
(b)	Dorfold Estate – Car Park	£1375.72

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(c) Shires Pay Services Ltd – Payroll 1st Quarter 2021 £ 41.40

(d) Acton Parish Hall £ 18.15

PARISH COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Paul Weaver reported on the footpath from Malbank Waters to Pear Tree Meadows. The footpath is only 63cm wide. Paul had reported this to Planning who said the footpath was currently closed due to Covid 19 Restrictions. Public Rights of Way told him that they cant help. Paul to contact Bovis to see if they can help.

Les Hobson had been in conversation with the Vice Chair of Burland regard to boundary changes in the Community Governance Review. The Vice Chair said that he thought it made sense to join Acton and Burland Parishes but at a meeting of Burland Parish Council the Parish Councillors said that they didn't want to join the Parishes.

It was felt that the proposed boundary changes were making Acton Edleston and Henhull Parish Council irrelevant.

Les Hobson had made three complaints to the Planning Enforcement Officer:

- Tally Ho Lane
- Tally Ho Cottage – Caravan still on site and someone is living in it.
- Cattery – Marsh Lane – A 20ft mobile home had been put on site with electricity and Telephone line. No planning permission had been put it for this.

Carol Mace had been in conversation with Diane Owen at Cheshire East regarding the allocation and management of the proposed allotments for Welshman's Lane. The decision was still quite a way off about allocations and the Parish Council felt that all the allotments would be swallowed up by Nantwich Town Council.

Carol Mace reported about the Fitness Centre on Chester Road near to the Bluestone crossroads. Clerk to write to Cheshire East to report the noise levels from this Centre that had continued through the lockdown period. It was felt that there was total disregard to the Planning Enforcement Officer who had visited the site.

Carol Mace reported that a large advertising banner had been placed on the fence in the lay-by on Chester Road and the Tractor place on Chester Road had had a cattle shed put on the field near to the road and tractors were going in it all the time.

The Parish Council asked the Clerk to report their disappointment that Cllr Sarah Pochin had not attended the meeting or sent in her apologies. They also commented that Cllr Stan Davies had not attended a meeting for some considerable time.

Les Hobson resigned from the Parish Council. The Clerk asked if he could put his resignation in writing to the fact.

The meeting finished at 8.10pm.

The next meeting will be on 22 July 2021. Carol Mace – Chairman – gave her apologies for this meeting and asked the Vice-Chair to be in attendance to Chair the meeting in her absence.

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