

MINUTES OF THE AILSWORTH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

ON MONDAY 15th FEBRUARY 2021 AT 7.30pm

(Held by Zoom video conferencing due to the ongoing pandemic and restrictions on meeting in person)

Present were Councillors Mrs J Pickett (Chairman) Dr M Ellershaw (Vice Chairman), Mr M Samways, Mr R Moon, Mrs A Perkins, Mr J Phillips

Clerk Miss J Rice.

Members of the public 4: Cllr N Boyce (Chairman, Castor Parish Council), Mr J Hodder, Mrs E Stalley, Mr M Horne

20/164	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	
	To receive and note apologies received and accepted by the Clerk. There were no apologies received, all Councillors were present.	
20/165	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST	
	To receive all declarations of interest under the Council's Code of Conduct related to business on the agenda. (Members should disclose any interests (pecuniary, personal or other) in the business to be discussed and are reminded that the disclosure of a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest will require that the member withdraws from the meeting during the transaction of that item of business). There were no declarations of interest made.	
20/166	PUBLIC PARTICIPATION	
	A maximum of 15 minutes was permitted for members of the public to address the meeting. Mrs Stalley began the update from the Langdyke Trust on the Nature Recovery Plan and the funding that has been agreed for all parishes involved, including £2500 for Castor, Ailsworth and Sutton combined. S Lambert is to help with seeds for autumn and there is work towards the wildlife corridor and wildflower verges. Green areas in Ailsworth where this can happen were discussed and involving school and pre-school agreed. M Horne then updated the meeting on discussions being had around Station Road field and Ailsworth Marsh. A wildlife survey is planned and will be good evidence for keeping land protected for species.	
20/167	MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING on 18th January 2021 (previously circulated) The minutes were agreed as a true record and will be signed in due course. A link to the minutes and latest action will be posted to Facebook too. Action Clerk	
20/168	MATTERS ARISING: None	
20/169	PARISH PROJECTS	
	169.1	To review the information on the Nature Recovery Plan and residents' involvement and resolve action. Councillors received and noted information from Cllr Ellershaw. It was agreed that a joint approach with Castor Parish Council is needed and it will be on the next joint meeting agenda. N Boyce to check if the CPC Clerk can set this one up. It was further agreed that a sub-group be formed to push the plans and actions forward. There is resident interest and so a meeting with everyone involved will be arranged. Action Cllr Ellershaw, N Boyce
	169.2	To review possibility of house history stickers and agree action. The information regarding these was received and noted. The idea was supported especially as it is Census year and it was agreed that residents may be keen to help research this from previous Census data and/or village archives and produce the information for the stickers. Action Cllr Perkins/Cllr Ellershaw and Cllr Pickett to confirm involvement and a group effort to be organised.
	169.3	To review play area development and discuss a way forward. It was agreed that this should be carried forward to a future meeting.
20/170	FOOTPATHS, RIGHTS OF WAY, VERGES	
	170.1	To receive and note communication and concerns regarding verges and footpaths and resolve action. Communication regarding concerns was received and noted. It was agreed that sufficient action had been taken thus far regarding the stables end and there has been a meeting recently with Lee Moore, PCC regarding footpaths and a response will be sent to outline this. It was noted that due to the recent, very heavy rain, the verges are easily damaged by traffic and action is needed with other problem areas such as in Main Street, Maffit Road, Helpston Road and Station Road. Residents are reminded to be aware of protected verge restrictions and check before any action is taken. Photos will be sent to PCC and Nene Park Trust will be informed again at the next joint operational liaison meeting. Action Cllrs/Clerk
20/171	GOVERNANCE	
	171.1	To receive and agree draft revised standing orders as amended by NALC – circulated. Councillors received and noted the draft amended standing orders. They were agreed and adopted. Action Clerk to put on website.

20/172	PLANNING APPLICATIONS previously circulated were noted, discussed and responses agreed.	
	172.1	20/01644/HHFUL proposed 2 storey side extension and conversion of loft house to include dormer windows at 43 Normangate. To note Permitted 2/2/21
	172.2	20/01026/FUL Construction of dual use cycle/pedestrian path and associated earthworks from Sutton vil- lage across the meadows to the Nene Valley Railway station at Stibbington including cattle grids, a new 3m wide timber cycle/footbridge over field drain and new flight of steps with wheeling channel to the across the River Nene. Deadline 18/2/21. It was agreed that there are no further comments. Action Clerk
	172.3	21/00187/CTR various tree works within Glington and Castor Conservation areas including Helpston Road, Maffit Road, Peterborough Road. Deadline 3/3/21. It was agreed there are no objections and a response will be sent. Action Clerk
20/173	VILLAGE TRIBUNE ENTRY, DEADLINE 19/2/21 AND COMMUNITY COMMUNICATIONS. To decide on entry content. (Councillor names sent for entry at back of magazine) and to consider other communication to residents. Cllr Samways agreed to prepare and send an entry for the next magazine. Other methods of communication were discussed however it was thought the Parish News would soon be re-starting. All Councillors were again reminded to actively seek a new Councillor to fill the vacant position. Action Cllr Samways/all	
20/174	ORDERS FOR PAYMENT	
	Payments/ transfer were agreed to be made as follows, including one incremental point as per contract for the Clerk for achieving the CiLCA qualification;	
	174.1	Re-imburse J Rice for A4 printing paper packs £8
	174.2	Clerk pay £272.16 plus home office £27 - PAYE £ payable 28/2/2021 Plus overtime hours of 15 hours for 2/3 months £176.40 £165.96 HMRC £88.80 plus Feb.£44.40 plus O/T £176.40
	174.3	Reimburse Zoom subscription shared pm J Rice paid January £3.20
	174.4	Reimburse J Rice ink cartridge subs share paid January and increased pm £7
	174.5	J Rice mileage January 2021 £9.90
	174.6	Tree survey by Aragon tbc £488.06 tbc
	174.7	Grant payment to the school - paid £850
20/175		Receipts/ transfers. Closure of bank account balance To agree amount to transfer to Unity Instant access savings account Receipts £10.75 £20,000
20/176	DATE OF NEXT MEETING The date of the next full council remote meeting was confirmed as Monday 15 th March 2021 at 7.30pm to include final agenda items for informal joint meeting, Road Safety Working Group feedback and NRP progress. Other meetings; Joint PC meeting 17/3/21 NPT meeting 18/3/21. (Road Safety Working Group 24/2/21)	