## MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF RUSHWICK PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 11 MARCH 2020 AT 7.30 PM IN RUSHWICK VILLAGE HALL

Present: Cllr Deakin (Chairman), Cllr Parker, Cllr Khan, Cllr Jenkins, Cllr Wigglesworth, Cllr Rowley and Cllr Haywood,

In Attendance: District Councillors Walton & Chambers

 Apologies for absence: Cllr Williams (Personal) – accepted County Cllr Grove (Personal) – received Sharon Baxter – Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer (Holiday) – received

- 2. Declaration of Interests
  - 1. Members were reminded to update their register of interests (ROI).
  - 2. Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary: None
  - 3. Other Disclosable Interests: None
- 3. To consider written requests from Councillors for the Council to Grant a Dispensation (S33 of the Localism Act 2011): None requested.

No members of the public present during Public Question Time Reports were received from County and District Councillors.

- 4. Minutes: Having been previously circulated the minutes of The Parish Council meeting of 12.02.2020 were signed as a true and correct record.
- 5. Progress Reports: No Matters arising from previous minutes. The Action Plan was reviewed and updated. Cllr Khan reported we now have ownership of Rushwick Parish Council Facebook page of which he is the Administrator. Thanks, were expressed to Mr. Bryant for his help and transfer of ownership.
- 6. Parish Lengthsman Scheme: An update was presented as per worksheet. **RESOLVED:** To renew Contract of Services from 01.04.2020 to 31.03.2021.
- 7. Reports from representatives: To receive an update
  - 1. Report from Village Hall Committee: Cllr Rowley Nothing to report.
    - a. Update on the Gift of Land from Kier
      Our solicitor reported there had been no response from Kier Living's solicitor regarding the car park
      handover and he would pursue.
  - 2. Footpath Officers report: Cllr Williams
    - One issue was reported concerning damage to a stile after the flood waters receded. Cllr Williams will look into this.
  - 3. Report from Playscape: Cllr Parker Nothing to report.
    - a. Progress on S106 application for Playscape.
    - b. To consider Bike track at Playscape, using S106 funding.

Mr. Moseley gave a presentation of a proposed bike track (details previously distributed to Councillors). It was agreed a bike track would benefit the Parish. Therefore, Mr. Moseley agreed to obtain quotes from different contractors for the work to be carried out. It was thought that a figure of around £30K would be enough. It is uncertain at this stage whether any S106 monies can be available but it was thought it may be possible to include part of the bike track funding within the Playscape 106 funding application. Also, other bodies will be approached to see if any grants may be available. Mr.

Moseley to report back to the Parish council with details of quotes in due course.

- 4. School Representative report: Cllr Wigglesworth Nothing to report.
- 5. Village Hall Development Committee: Cllr Khan

The ownership of the Village Hall must be ascertained for the land to be given to the Village Hall.

Need to know the precise 106 monies that will be made available.

Also need to look at obtaining grants.

At this stage, it was felt that a new build will not be feasible so alrerations to the existing Village Hall is being looked at. The next meeting is due to take place on 2.04.2020.

- 8. Update on the Parish Neighbourhood Plan: Cllr Jenkins No significant progress to report.
- 9. Finance

Meeting closed at 8.45pm

- 1. Payment of accounts as per schedule was authorized as per schedule.

  Delegated Emergency Powers were granted to the Clerk and Chairman/Vice Chairman to resolve urgent financial matters.
- 2. Bank Reconciliation Statement For Information
- 10. **RESOLVED:** To adopt new Code of Conduct and notify MHDC
- 11. Planning: No planning applications to consider
- 12. Correspondence for Information: Circulated by the Clerk
- 13. Councillors' reports and items for future agendas
  Cllr Haywood agreed to contact the Footpath Officer regarding the Ash path.
  She has had a query regarding tarmacking the Ash path by some new residents
  living along the Ash path. She is to ascertain the legal status of this and will report back.

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