Hanley Castle Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Thursday, 17^{th} September 2020 – Via Zoom at 19:00.

Present: Councillors: Sue Roberts (Chairman), Sue Adeney, Alan Rogers, Pippa Barkley, Alison Bolton, Alex Walker, Lesley Smith.

Apologies: DCIIrs Andrea Morgan & Martin Allen, Nick Harper (Pond Warden), Peter Goodyear (PPW), Marjorie Nelson (PPW).

In Attendance: The Clerk, CCllr Tom Wells.

42/20 Declarations of Interest & Dispensation Requests from Councillors.

a) To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests in items on the agenda and their nature: None declared

b) To declare any Other Disclosable Interests in items on the agenda and their nature: None declared

c) To Consider Written Requests from Councillors for the Council to Grant a Dispensation (S33 of the Localism Act 2011) – None received

Closure of the meeting to allow members of the public joining via Zoom to ask questions or make comments. – None present

43/20 Minutes: The Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Thursday, 16th July 2020 had been previously circulated and the minutes were **approved.**

44/20 Matters Arising and Progress Reports for information:

a) Casual Vacancy – MHDC had been made aware of the vacancy and the notice had been put on the website. The Clerk would send a copy to Cllr Roberts to put up on the Parish Noticeboards. It will be discussed at the October Meeting.

45/20 Finance:

a) Payment of Accounts: Members **approved** the payments of accounts as in the presented schedule in Appendix 1.

46/20 Planning: a) To Consider the following application referred by MHDC for consultation:

| <u>20/01305/NMA</u> | Oakmere Oakmere Park Hanley Swan Worcester WR8 0DZ | Non material Amendments to Ref 10/01680/HP for Removal of previously proposed chimneys and alterations to the previously proposed window arrangements. | | | |
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| No Objections raised. | | | | | |
| 20/01008/FUL | Walmer Lodge Hanley Swan Worcester WR8 0DX | Proposed 3 bedroom dwelling on infill plot adjacent to retained house. Amendments proposed to existing vehicular access. | | | |
| The application was discussed and it was agreed there would be no objection but conditions would be requested. | | | | | |
| <u>20/00984/HP</u> | Oaklands Picken End Hanley Swan Worcester WR8 0DQ | First Floor Extensions to front and rear. Garage extension with annexe to first floor. | | | |

b) Planning Applications received after the Agenda produced:

| <u>0/01302/FUL</u> | Land At (Os 8365 4239) Gilberts End Lane Hanley Castle | Proposed amendment to previously approved scheme (15/00808/FUL) for 4 No. new dwellings and creation of new vehicular access - Variation of Condition 4 on Planning Permission 16/00706/FUL | |
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| No Objections raised | | | |

c) Planning Decisions:

| <u>20/00414/HP</u> | Ballards Farm Quay Lane Hanley Castle Worcester WR8 0BS | Retrospective approval for temporary building to provide multi-use storage shed/workshop | Refused |
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| <u>20/00415/LB</u> | Ballards Farm Quay Lane Hanley Castle Worcester WR8 0BS | Retrospective approval for temporary building to provide multi-use storage shed/workshop | Refused |

47/20 Highways Matters

a) New VAS – Cllr Roberts thanked Cllr Wells for the gift of the new VAS. It was agreed to put it up on the Welland Road as there have been complaints of speeding. Cllr Bolton would ask the Lengthsman to install it.

ACTION: The Lengthsman to be contacted about locating the VAS.

b) Risk Assessment – The Risk Assessment for the Lengthsman was signed off. **ACTION: The Clerk to forward it to CALC.**

48/20 District and County Councillors' Reports

Cllr Wells updated the Council on correspondence he had received from Parishioners. He also talked about the Rhydd Junction and the fact it had been identified as an accident cluster spot. He asked that the Parish Council write to the County Council and ask what they were proposing to do about the Rhydd Junction now it had been identified in the Local Transport Plan.

He said that he had paid for the footway to be restored at Westmere and Hanley Orchard and the workmen had done a really good job. He said they were due to move on to the footways in Winnington Gardens and a section of Picken End.

He talked about the bus service and explained that the operators have had to reduce the number of services available due to the pandemic.

Cllr Adeney asked him about the money pledged by the Government for cycle initiatives that had been given but not spent, he explained that it was meant for short term co-vid related projects and not long-term infrastructure.

ACTION: The Clerk to contact County Council and ask about their plans for the Rhydd Junction and include Guarlford PC in the email.

49/20 Report of the:

- a) Parish Paths Warden The Report was read out and it was with sadness that the Council were informed that Marjorie Nelson was retiring from the role. The Parish Council talked of their gratitude for all her hard work and support of the Parish over the many years she had held the position.
- **b) Pond Wardens** The Pond Warden's report was read out. The issues of bins raised in the report was discussed. Cllr Roberts said that she would install contact the surplus bin. It was also agreed to contact MHDC and get confirmation of the

collection cycle and bins emptied with in the Parish. It was also agreed to seek quotes to stain the benches by the pond.

The report also mentioned a meeting had been held to discuss the idea of a board walk by the pond. It was agreed to include it as an item on the next agenda.

c) Playing Field Warden – No Report received.

d) Local Police – No report received

50/20 Environmental Working Group

Cllr Adeney updated the Parish Council on the activity of the Environment Group and the working sections of the Carbon Neutral Committee. The Habitat Group had been quite active and a number of places had been roped off to allow the habitat to grow. These had now been cut and they were planning on buying plug plants to plant in the designated areas.

51/20 Correspondence

- a) Ryall North Liaison Meeting Cllr Barkley confirmed she would attend.
- b) SWDP Development Plan Review 7th October 6pm-7.30pm Invitation to attend
- c) Old Orchard End notification email of pending planning application
- d) Briefing Note on Planning Reforms Consultations Email circulated

52/20 Topics raised by Councillors, Committees, Clerk & Parishioners

The Clerk was asked to follow up the 'Adopt a Road' initiative so that the Parish could have the litter picking sets.

53/20 Councillors reports and items for future agenda:

The Pond boardwalk proposal.

54/20 Date of next meeting: The date of the next meeting was set as 15th October 2020 (possibly in the Large Village Hall)

Signed Date: 15th October 2020 Chairman

Appendix 1: Schedule of Payments & Receipts 17th September 2020

Payments to be Approve

| New Farm Ground Maintenance | July & August Grass cuts | 1447.2 |
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| Rebecca Abunassar | August Clerk duties | 454.00 |
| Rebecca Abunassar | September Clerk Duties | 454.00 |
| Rebecca Abunassar | Zoom Membership | 14.39 |
| Rebecca Abunassar | Marker Posts Cromwell | 195.95 |
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