

**MINUTES OF MACKWORTH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**HELD ON 4.5.21 VIA ZOOM DUE TO COVID-19**

**PRESENT:** Councillors: I Debling (Chair), B Bond, P Hanson, M Rollinson, M Smith, Parish Clerk

**21/01 ELECTION OF CHAIR**

Councillor I Debling was nominated and elected as Chair.

**21/02 ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR**

Councillor M Smith was nominated and elected as Vice Chair.

**21/03 PUBLIC SPEAKING**

None

**21/04 APOLOGIES**

None

**21/05 VARIATION OF ORDER OF BUSINESS**

None

**21/06 DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS**

Councillor Bond declared an interest in all items relating to Mackworth Church.

**21/07 APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

It was resolved that the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 2.3.21 were approved and will be signed by the Chair.

**21/08 TO DETERMINE WHICH ITEMS IF ANY FROM PART 1 OF THE AGENDA SHOULD BE TAKEN WITH THE PUBLIC EXCLUDED**

None

**21/09 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None

**21/10 PLANNING**

Applications

It was agreed to send comments on the following application:-

- AVA/2021/023 Single and two storey extensions to provide accommodation associated with the existing furniture restoration, manufacturing and education business; and the regularisation of 2 flats Wheathills Farm Brun Lane

Approved

- TRE/2021/0897 Orchard Cottage 30 Lower Road Mackworth Various tree works

**21/11 SKITTERIDGE WOOD ASB**

The Police had sent in the following email. Thank you for your recent email regarding the problems with ASB and fires around the Mackworth area. The fire starting issue in particular is something which is occurring all over the area as far as Belper itself. We are working with our equivalents in the fire Brigade, their community safety officers. We have had a joint crime prevention stand up at Belper but unfortunately nothing at Mackworth itself as there is insufficient footfall to warrant a stand. We would be more than happy to attend any village events if you organise any and Covid restrictions allow. We have since the Covid lockdown restriction have started to ease been able to re-align our patrolling strategy from being more Covid based to a more normal pattern. We have patrolled Langley Park for the last two Sundays in the afternoon however we do not get down to your parish as often as we would like. We struggle around transport with the team being based up at the Babington Hospital. We only have the one vehicle between the five of us covering an area from Dethick down to yourselves at Mackworth.

It was agreed to make the agent aware and ask them to clear the small pieces of wood and ask for a site meeting.

**21/12 WORK ON THE TELECOM MASTS AND BUILDING BEINGS MOVED ON THE WATER TOWER**

Councillor Debling reported that there seems to be a lot of work on the Telecom masts and buildings being moved on the Water Tower. It was agreed to write to Severn Trent to provide an explanation.

**21/13 LANGLEY COUNTRY PARK – PLANS FOR ADOPTION AND LACK OF MAINTENANCE TO STREET LIGHTS AND ROAD DRAINS**

There had been no further action on the questions sent following the last meeting. It was agreed to write again especially with the concerns around the lack of lighting and condition of road drains. This is causing a health and safety issue. We are especially concerned as there were reports of a young girl being harassed on the estate and the lack of lighting will not help people stay safe. It was also agreed to ask if there were any financial guarantees in case the adoption never happens and details of the process to enforce action for work to take place.

**21/14 UPDATE ON APPLICATION FOR PLANNING PERMISSION FOR UPGRADING OF PLAY AREA AT LANGLEY COUNTY PARK - 4 PHASES. PHASE 1 INFANT PLAY AREA/PHASE 2 JUNIOR PLAY AREA/PHASE 3 GRASSED AREA/PHASE 4 KEEP FIT EQUIPMENT**

The application is in the process of being made.

**21/15 ALL SAINTS CHURCH, MACKWORTH VILLAGE - APPLICATION FOR GRANT (£1550)**

It was resolved to make a grant donation of £1550.

**21/16 POSSIBILITY OF USING PARISH COUNCIL NOTICEBOARD ON LCP FOR SOME CHURCH NOTICES. CHURCH CONSIDERING APPLYING FOR THEIR OWN NOTICE BOARD AT SOME POINT**

There were no objections to the request.

**21/17 PARISH ENTRANCE SIGNS**

It was agreed to defer until the next meeting.

**21/18 APPROVE YEAR END ACCOUNTS 2020/2021**

The internal audit had been received and was noted. The accounts had been circulated and were approved by Councillors.

**21/19 APPROVE ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT**

The AGAR had been circulated and Councillors approved the Annual Governance Statement which will be signed.

**21/20 APPROVE ACCOUNTING STATEMENT**

The Accounting Statement was approved by Councillors and will be signed.

**21/21 REVIEW OF POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

It was agreed to re-confirm the policies and procedures circulated and Councillors to review more thoroughly before the next meeting.

**21/22 APPOINTMENT OF WORKING GROUPS/REPRESENTATIVES ON EXTERNAL BODIES**

None

**21/23 CONSIDER NEW VENUE FOR PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS**

The Clerk had contacted the Mundy Arms and Mackworth Hotel for prices and availability. It was agreed to also contact Kirk Langley Village Hall.

**21/24 CO-OPS TEMPORARY SIGNAGE**

It was agreed to thank the Co-Op for their service and mention that a member of the public had raised when it plans to take down the temporary signage.

**21/25 CLERK'S REPORT**

- Nothing to report

**21/26 CORRESPONDENCE FOR ACTION**

- DALC Subscriptions/Training Enhancement £344.63/£170.00. It was agreed not to subscribe to the training enhancement.

## 21/27 ACCOUNTS

**RESOLVE:** That the Accounts listed below be accepted for payment.

	<b>Expenditure</b>	<b>£</b>
Mrs L Storey	Salary April	404.10
HMRC	PAYE	79.80
DALC	Subscriptions	344.63
Mrs L Storey	Salary May	359.78
BHIB	Insurance	318.62
HMRC	PAYE	80.00
2Commune	Website	552.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>2138.93</b>

## 21/28 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

- March/April newsletter
- Excellence Awards - DALC – Nominations
- AVBC Community Update Vol 3
- Electoral Review - Parish and Town Councils
- Notes from clerk and chair forums 14th April 2021
- Ask for Ani
- Hate Crime Services
- 20s Plenty for Derbyshire
- Impact New Parish Carbon Footprint Tool
- DCC Green Entrepreneurs Fund
- Notes from Clerks' and Chairs' forums Wednesday 10th March 2021
- Community Safety Update
- Langley Country Park housing estate concerns. As you will be aware, we haven't adopted any of the estate streets to date as there are still outstanding works and the streets will have to serve a minimum 12 month maintenance period after all works have been satisfactorily completed. During the maintenance period the developer will remain responsible for the estate streets.

We are aware that there are missing street lighting columns and defects with other columns and a full inspection of the street lighting has been carried out. Details of all the lighting issues have been brought to the attention of the developer. I have also recently chased this up with the developer asking for timescale as to when the street lighting works will be completed and currently await their response.

Adoption of the estate streets will only be progressed once the developer has satisfactorily completed all works and provided us with the necessary adoption information. Inspections of the estate streets will be carried out by our Clerk of Works and all outstanding works / defects will be highlighted to the developer and will need to be completed by the developer. I am currently unable to provide a likely timescale for adoption as the onus is on the developer to complete all outstanding works prior to adoption being considered. If you require any further information please let me know.

- AVBC response ref question regarding S106 funding. A Section 106 Agreement is a legal planning obligation that is entered into to mitigate the impacts of a development proposal. It is agreed between a Council and a developer and is attached to a planning permission. Planning obligations may only constitute a reason for granting planning permission if they meet the three statutory tests, which are:
  - necessary to make the development acceptable in planning terms;
  - directly related to the development; and
  - fairly and reasonably related in scale and kind to the development.

Developer obligations are identified through the consultation stage of the planning application process. Large scale infrastructure requirements, such as education places and highways are identified by Derbyshire County Council and others, such as a need for affordable housing and public open space, are identified by the Borough Council.

The current policy basis for requesting developer obligations includes the saved policies of the Development Plan and supplementary planning documents, in so far as these remain up to date in the context of national planning guidance, primarily set out in the National Planning Policy Framework. However, the Borough Council is committed to the adoption of a new Local Plan by 2023. This will enable more up to date local planning policies to be established, based on the Borough Council's priorities for infrastructure to support new housing and economic growth. These policies will then drive the process of negotiating appropriate s106 contributions in the determination of planning applications.

There may be circumstances where a contribution has been received from a development for improvements to public open space within the vicinity of that development that has not been specified and this may involve the Borough Council approaching town and parish councils for suggestions. This, however, is rare as we rely on the specialist knowledge and experience of our officers. There is no general pot of S106 money for which town and parish councils can bid.

#### **21/29 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

- 6 July 2021 7.30 pm Venue to be confirmed

#### **21/30 POINTS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS**