

**MINUTES OF PARTINGTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD REMOTELY ON MONDAY 6th JULY 2020 AT 6.30 PM**

Present: Councillors W. Edwards (Chairman), J. Comerford (JJC), J Robe-Fogarty (JRF), S. Morton (SM), K. Stewart (KS), J. Boyers (JB), I. Edwards (IE), A. Rudden (AR)

The Chairman Cllr W Edwards (WE) opened the meeting at 6.30pm. He welcomed the Parish Councillors and a member of the public; the housekeeping rules were not read out.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Cllr, J. Clare (JC), J. Whatmough (JW), K. Kanes (KK),

IT WAS RESOLVED by all Councillors that apologies received, were reviewed and accepted.

2. OPEN FORUM:

The Chairman Cllr W Edwards (WE) explained that there were no members of the public in attendance due to the Coronavirus pandemic, but asked the Cllrs if they had received any questions from parishioners?

No questions had been received therefore the open forum was closed.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

There were no declarations of interest to declare by Councillors at this meeting.

4. MINUTES FROM THE PARISH MEETING HELD ON 1st JUNE 2020:

IT WAS RESOLVED that the minutes [P1067 & 1069] were a true & accurate record and were passed by Cllr A Rudden & Cllr K Stewart.

There were no matters arising from this set of minutes.

5. CHAIRMANS REPORT:

The Chair (WE) thanked the Councillors for attending the remote meeting.

5.1 Carbon footprint

The Chair informed the Cllrs that he had been discussing the Parish Councils carbon footprint with the Parish Clerk. It was agreed that it would be advantageous to purchase 12 tablets for each Cllr to enable the Parish Council to become eco-friendly. They can all be synced together and used at meetings to view council documents. They would belong to the Parish Council and would be returned if a Councillor leaves. The general consensus was that this was a good idea and the Clerk said she will report back with a bulk costing.

5.2 Oak Road building

The Chair informed the meeting that he has been approached about the possible sale of the Oak Road building.

The Cllrs were informed that it was previously valued a few years ago, but as there has been a lot of delays with YHG and the tenant, the sale was never pursued. Therefore Cllr J Robe-Fogarty asked if the building could be revalued again. It was agreed to have it revalued and write to inform the proprietor of Little Oaks of the Parish Councils intentions.

5.3 Job Vacancy

The job specification for a Community Improvement Worker has been changed to attract a wider applicant due to no uptake on the first advert; the new deadline will be the 10th of August. Applicants will then be contacted and asked to attend an interview.

6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS:

Planning applications to report for July 2020

101011/FUL/20 – 1 Brook Farm Close, Partington, Manchester, M31 4BN

Erection of 3 terraced cottages.

Comments to be made.

7. PARISH BUILDINGS: Cllr Robe-Fogarty has asked for this to be discussed.

7.1 Partington Pavilion

Q: It was asked if the rental agreements have been drawn up?

A: *Rental agreements have been in place since the opening of The Pavilion and tenants are invoiced at the end of each month for their use.*

The Chair said he would like to look at contracts but the Council agreed that a contract isn't the right thing a rental agreement is what is required.

7.2 Oak Road Building

Discussed in the Chairs report.

8. ONGOING LOCAL ISSUES AND UPDATES:

8.1 Speeding traffic reports to GMP on Warburton & Moss Lane from local residents.

The Clerk was informed that officers will be deployed with speed guns along Warburton Lane and Moss Lane at a later date. The Clerk informed the Sergeant that the evening is the worst time for speeding cars. Trafford Highways were also emailed reporting the decaying state of the speed humps along Moss Lane.

8.2 Davies Road garage issues reported to THT.

Updates are being received regularly from THT and a site visit is imminent.

8.3 Ongoing fly tipping around Albinson Walk reported to THT.

The Clerk updated the Cllrs about reports made to THT and their refusal to move the fly tipping. It was suggested to THT that the Parish will remove but there will be a charge.

8.4 Blacky Beach.

This area has been cleaned and all rubbish removed.

8.5 Overgrown trees on Warburton Lane & Wood Lane reported to YHG.

The Clerk reported that a complaint has been put into YHG for the refusal to prune the tree at Warburton Lane. It is over 20ft tall and is a danger in high winds, it falls near a property or an occupant it would be highly dangerous. Updates have been requested for the Wood Lane tree that is touching a telephone cable.

9. JOB VACANCY:

The vacancy has been posted on the website, notice board and Social Media sites.

10. EXCLUSION RESOLUTION:

This item was not required for this meeting.

11. EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE REPORT:

IT WAS RESOLVED that a job advert will be generated and posted as per item 9.

12. ACCOUNTS/FINANCE REPORT:

IT WAS RESOLVED that the monthly accounts for June 2020 were a true & accurate record.

Proposed by Cllr T Rudden & 2nd K Stewart.

13. ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT 2019/20

It was agreed that the Accounts/Annual return for the year ended 31st March 2020 have been prepared in accordance with current regulations and all points listed in the Annual Return were given a positive answer.

The Chairman and Clerk will sign the appropriate sections of the document, filing online will commence.

14. CLERKS UPDATE:

The Clerk updated the Councillors on the following;

14.1 Mr Shipton would like all Cllrs to attend POSH one evening to view the refurbishments.

15. ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

KS – Reported that the Oak Road nature trail is severely overgrown and users of the trail can not pass with ease on the bikes.

Action: Clerk to report to YHG

WE - Updated the Cllrs that a teams meeting took place regarding the War memorial site. The Ward Cllrs attended and the Clerk asked to be kept in the loop.

JRF – Asked if we received a response regarding our question on where the bins will be stored at the new development on Central Road.

Action: The Clerk will chase this up.

AR – Updated that the resident who makes the benches may have secured a unit at Westwood garages.

JRF – Asked if the Oak Road building was sold could this be used to take over the Moss Lane building. It could be used as office space and conference rooms which would generate an income.

Action: The Clerk has emailed assets and will chase up.

16. DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting will take place on the Monday 7th September 2020. Cllrs to be notified of location.

The Chair thanked the Cllrs for attending

Meeting closed at 8.30pm.

LIST OF ACRONYMS

PPC/PC – Partington Parish Council

YHG – Your Housing Group

TBC –Trafford Borough Council

CLLRS – Councillors

POSH – Partington Old School Hall

P/PAV – Partington Pavilion

Councillor Wayne Edwards

Chairman

Partington Parish Council