**MINUTES OF MEETING OF OAKAMOOR PARISH COUNCIL**

**HELD REMOTELY VIA ZOOM ON MONDAY 7TH DECEMBER 2020 AT 7.00PM**

**Attendees**: **Chairman:** Philip Charles

**Vice Chairman**: Tony Loynes

**Parish Councillors**: Glenys Beard, Mary Edwards, Robert Church-Taylor

Mark Fallows

**SCC Cllr.** Mike Worthington

**SMDC District Cllr.** James Aberley

Elsie Fallows

**No Members of the Public.**

**20.104. Apologies.**

Cllr. Frank Meadows.

**20.105. Declaration of Interest.**

Cllr. Robert Church-Taylor declared a non-pecuniary interest in Planning Application

SMD/2020/0596.

**20.106 Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 2nd November 2020.**

*The Minutes of the meeting held on 2nd November 2020, having been circulated were confirmed as a true and correct record. (Unanimously agreed).*

**20.107. Public Participation.**

None.

**20.108. Actions and Updates from Previous Meetings.**

a. (m.20.29) Damaged Chestnut and Wire Fence (m.20.29) – Clerk contacted Nigel Hopkins

and he is waiting for the fencing to be collected from Cannock Depot. It has now been reported that the fence that had been repaired is now damaged again. Chair had inspected fence, and considered that the damage is only minor, and was not sufficient at the moment to require dedicated repairs.

**20.109. Planning Matters.**

1. **Applications.**

**SMD/2020/0596** – Lightoaks Estates, Cheadle Road, Farley Mews.

Proposed Development: Proposed single storey 3 x 3 metre summer house and gravel base at the rear of the garden.

Conclusion: OPC recommend for approval. (*unanimous*).

**SMD/2020/0632** – 3 Faber Cottages, Cotton Lane, Cotton.

Conclusion: OPC recommend for approval. (unanimous).

**SMD/2020/0650** – Crow Trees, Eaves Lane, Oakamoor.

Proposed Development: The proposed change of use of 2 B & B rooms (Use Class C1) to be incorporated back into residential farmhouse. (Use Class C3).

Conclusion: OPC recommend for approval.

**SMD/2020/0679** – Little Ranger Youth Hostel, Greendale, Oakamoor.

Proposed Development: Siting of two woodland holiday cabins.

Conclusion: OPC could not access the planning application on the SMDC website. District Cllr. Aberley suggested the Clerk download the file as PDF so councillors can access the application.

b. **To note decisions on previous applications.**

None

c. **Other Planning Issues**.

1. Laver Leisure (Oakamoor) SMD/2019/0646, SMD/2019/0716, SMD/2019/0725.

The comments for Laver Leisure were submitted on 31.01.20.

Cllr. Church-Taylor & Cllr Charles will be attending and Cllr. Church Taylor will be speaking

on behalf of OPC at the Planning Committee meeting when a date has been confirmed.

The Chair will email the draft presentation prior to the hearing. (Ongoing).

2. Conservation Area – Cllr. Loynes had a zoom meeting with Neil Rogers, followed up by

email. Cllr. Loynes and District Cllr. Aberley received an email which he read out and will circulate via email to councillors. Councillors to give feedback to District Cllr. Aberley.

**20.110. Ongoing Parish Affairs.**

1. **Highways**

* Armco barrier on Star Bank – *(reference 4128606)*. Email sent to Paula Lees (SCC Highways) & David Williams (County Highways) on 30.07.20. Email received from Paula Lees (SCC Highways) 28.10.20, job has been escalated to priority. (Ongoing).
* Pothole, Churnet View Road – 20 yards from junction on School Drive (ref. 4206495).
* (m.20.07) It has been reported that the litter bin is missing at the end of Mill Road, close to junction B5417. OPC concluded that the replacement bin be located as an addition to the one situated at Station car park. Clerk has contacted Andrew Owen (SMDC). (**Ongoing**).
* Request for ‘Give Way’ sign, access road to Station Car Park at the junction with Mill Road. The Chair informed OPC that the Head Ranger will take this up on behalf of OPC. The Chair to draft a letter to SCC, commending the Ranger Service on the responsive service they provide. (**Chair to Action**).
* The Willows – Since SMDC planted the trees, they have not been maintained and now are overgrown. The Clerk contacted SMDC on 27.10.20 (ref. PSHWNBPF), to see if they would arrange pruning of the trees. (Ongoing).
* Cllr. Loynes asked about the signage for the bins. Chair will obtain signage, wording as agreed.

1. **Lengthsman.**

Cllr. Loynes asked if the Lengthsman could record the time he spends on the drains.

Chair will ask John Redfearn to compile the estimate of the last 12 months.

**20.111. Reports of Committees and Outside Bodies.**

None.

**20.112. Accounts.**

**a. Accounts for Payment – Agreed and Ratified.**

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| **To Whom** | **Details** | **Cheque No.** | **Amount** |
| C. Giuliano-Worthington | Clerks Salary |  | £133.67 |
| J. Redfearn | Lengthsman |  | £245.00 |
| J. Redfearn | Lengthsman (July 2020) |  | £120.00 |

a. Current Bank Statement read out.

b. Cllr. Edwards asked permission for new Christmas lights for War Memorial area which would cost £50.39. Cllr. Edwards to forward the invoice to the Clerk. *Unanimous*.

**20.113. Correspondence.**

All Correspondence received via email circulated prior to the meeting.

**20.114. Items of an Urgent Nature.**

For Information- Cllr. Edwards informed OPC that on her walk at the weekend, there was a large gas leak, near the old Engine Sheds, this was being attended to by the appropriate authorities.

**There being no further business The Chair thanked everybody for their attendance and declared the meeting closed 8.00pm**

**The next meeting will be held on Monday, 4th July 2020 at 7.00pm via Zoom.**