**MINUTES OF MEETING OF OAKAMOOR PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 7TH JUNE 2021**

**AT OAKAMOOR VILLAGE HALL AT 7.00PM**

**Present**: **Chairman:** Philip Charles.

**Vice Chairman:** Tony Loynes

**Parish Councillors**: Glenys Beard

Robert Church-Taylor

**In Attendance:** County Cllr. Mike Worthington, District Councillor Elsie Fallows, John Redfearn (Lengthsman), and Carmen Worthington (Clerk).

**The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.**

**21.65 Apologies.**

Cllr. Mark Fallows, Cllr. Mary Edwards, Cllr. Frank Meadows, District Cllr. James Aberley.

**21.66 Public Participation.**

None.

**21.67. Declaration of Interest and Dispensations.**

Cllr. Meadows was granted dispensation during Covid-19 due to exceptional circumstances.

**21.68 Minutes of the Annual Council Meeting held on 3rd May 2021.**

***Resolved*** *that the Minutes of the Annual Council Meeting held on 3rd May 2021, having been circulated be confirmed and signed as a correct record by the Chairman.*

**21.69. Matters Arising.**

Tree pruning – Willows, and Station Car Park Access road moved to ‘Ongoing Parish Affairs’

**21.70. Planning Matters.**

a. Applications.

None.

b. To Note SMDC decisions on previous applications.

SMD/2020/0701 – Land Adj. to Hill Top Cottage, Star Bank. Planning permission approved

on 28.05.21.

c. Any Other Planning Matters

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

Comments for Laver Leisure proposed development were submitted on 31.01.20.

The hearing is not expected until at least July, potentially August/September. (*Ongoing*).

2. Conservation Area – Cllr. Aberley had forwarded a proposed a question relating to this, to be asked of the ‘Overview and Scrutiny Committee’ at their next meeting, to which the Chair and Cllr. Loynes had agreed. District Cllr. Aberley will also contact the Cabinet member in charge of the Planning Department and discuss the issue.

**21.71 Ongoing Parish Affairs.**

1. Highways

* a. (m.20.29) – Damaged Chestnut and Wire Fence and ‘Give Way’ sign on the station access road: The Ranger has communicated that SCC have a legal issue to resolve before these are addressed (Ongoing).
* The Ranger has confirmed that the Picnic Area tree pruning is scheduled for August (after bird breeding season).
* Cllr. Edwards said the large pothole on School Drive, in from of the ‘Gables’ has not been repaired. (Ongoing – To monitor).
* Missing Bin at the end of Mill Road – Reported to SMDC (GDZRKRJX). Email received from Andy Owen (Alliance Env.) 18.01.21. Clerk emailed Andy Owen on 25th May 2021. Cllr. Loynes said the bin is overflowing at the picnic area. (Ongoing). Cllr Aberley will pursue on OPC behalf.
* The Willows – Pruning of trees. Reported to SMDC (ref. PSHWNBPF 27.10.20). Re-reported 18.03.21 (ref. BLBCGMPC). District Cllr. Aberley has offered to investigate the lack of response from SMDC.
* Drains – Willows. (Ongoing).
* Parking at School. (Ongoing).

1. Lengthsman – The Chair read out the work carried out by the Lengthsman.

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

The Chair congratulated County Cllr. Worthington on his re-election to represent the Churnet

Valley Division.

**21.73. Accounts for Payment (June 2021)**

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| Carmen Giuliano-Worthington | Clerks Salary | 101005 | £133.67 |
| J. Redfearn | Lengthsman | 101006 | £132.00 |

Payments Received

Precept: £3423.50.

Current bank statement read out to councillors.

**21.74. Correspondence.**

Circulated prior to meeting.

Email received from parishioner regarding speeding through village. OPC noted their

concerns. Slow down signs for Riverside to be ordered. (**Clerk to action)**

**21.75 Directional Signage for Defibrillator.**

Cllr. Loynes thought it would be beneficial for Oakamoor to have directional signage for the Defibrillator which is situated at Oakamoor Village Hall. Councillors concluded that the two main car park areas in the village would be the most suitable locations for the signage. Chair and Lengthsman to view potential specific locations.

**21.76.** **Items of an Urgent Nature.**

At the last meeting Cllr. Loynes reported that he had been approached by a Parishioner regarding whether OPC would consider utilising the “adopt a telephone box for a £1 scheme to house a book exchange in the location the telephone box was removed. Cllr. Loynes reported that the scheme only applied to existing telephone boxes in situ, and therefore this could not be pursued.

**The Chairman thanked everybody for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at 8.00pm.**

**The date of the next parish meeting will be held on** **Monday 5th July 2021 at 7.00pm at Oakamoor Village Hall.**