**MINUTES OF MEETING OF OAKAMOOR PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 6TH SEMPTEMBER 2021**

**AT OAKAMOOR VILLAGE HALL AT 7.00PM**

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

**Parish Councillors**: Glenys Beard

Robert Church-Taylor

Mary Edwards

**In Attendance:** None.

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

**21.100 Apologies.**

Cllr. Mark Fallows, District Cllr. Elsie Fallows, Cllr. Tony Loynes, County Cllr. Mike Worthington, District Cllr. James Aberley.

**21.101 Public Participation.**

None.

**21.102 Declaration of Interest and Dispensations.**

None.

**21.103 Minutes of the Meeting held on 2nd August 2021.**

***Resolved*** *that the Minutes of the Meeting held on 2nd August 2021, having been circulated be confirmed and signed as a correct record by the Chairman.*

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

1. Rural Community Energy Fund (m.21.87) Ongoing.

**21.105 Planning Matters.**

a. Applications.

**SMD/2021/0551** – Railway Cottage, Churnet View Road, Oakamoor.

Proposed Development: Single storey extension to form sitting room.

Conclusion: No objection.

b. To Note SMDC decisions on previous applications.

SMD/2021/0332 – Planning Permission Approved 24.08.21.

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 later in the year.

2. Conservation Area – District Cllr. Aberley and Cllr. Loynes attended the meeting at the

Service Delivery Overview & Scrutiny Committee Meeting and it was announced that a Guidance for the Conservation area will be ready in the New Year. (*To be kept on the Agenda*).

**21.106 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. Chair has spoken to Ranger and the issue will be dealt with soon. (Ongoing).
* The Ranger has confirmed that the Picnic Area tree pruning is scheduled for August (after bird breeding season).
* Station Car Park – Cllr. Beard said that the car park was in a poor condition. The Chair to speak to SCC Ranger and will update at the next meeting. (**Chair to Action**).
* 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). **Chair emailed Robin Cummings**, **a/w reply.**
* The Willows – Pruning of trees. Reported to SMDC (ref. PSHWNBPF 27.10.20). Re-reported 18.03.21 (ref. BLBCGMPC). District Cllr. Aberley is awaiting a response from Neil Rogers SMDC. (**Chair to contact Neil Rogers SMDC**) (Ongoing).
* Parking at School. County Cllr. Worthington has raised this as a priority with SCC, and will keep OPC updated as to progress, (two other requested schemes ahead of this). (Ongoing).
* Slow down sign for Riverside erected.
* Directional signage for Defibrillator –Chair/Lengthsman have identified location and Chair awaiting quotes for signs. (Ongoing).
* 30mph sign – Farley Lane – has fallen to the ground. Clerk to contact SCC Highways for re-erection. Reported to SCC Highways (ref. 4251974).
* Cllr. Beard will be attending next Village Group meeting and will update OPC at the next meeting.
* Traffic speed on Star Bank - Proposal to approach SCC to request 30mph speed limit. – Chair has discussed with John Allerton, Cotton Parish Councillor, who will discuss at next Cotton Parish Council Meeting.
* Hawskmoor to Church Bank – Overgrown Foliage over the footpath, and general condition of base of footpath. Reported to SCC Highways (ref. 4251975).
* Complaints have been received from Cotton PC regarding overgrown signage on the approach to Cotton crossroads from Farley/Alton Towers, which lies in OPC. Reported to SCC Highways (ref. 42521114).

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

Cllr. Edwards said the stone wall by ‘The Willows’ has partly come away. The Lengthsman to be tasked for the job.

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

None.

**21.108 Accounts for Payment (September 2021)**

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| Carmen Giuliano-Worthington | Clerks Salary | 101012 | £133.67 |
| Phil Charles | Signage | 101013 | £42.52 |
| J. Redfearn | Lengthsman | 101014 | £144.00 |

Current bank statement read out to councillors.

**21.109 Correspondence.**

All correspondence is circulated via email prior to the meeting.

Farley Parish Council had written to surrounding parishes regarding SAT Nav. issues in the parish. It was agreed that OPC write to Cotton, Farley and Alton Parish Councils asking if they would consider a collective approach to Alton Towers to start up liaison meetings. (**Chair/Clerk to Action**).

**21.110** **Items of an Urgent Nature.**

Cllr. Beard suggested donating a ‘Memory’ tree in the Parish. OPC agreed to donate a tree

during the Christmas period. (*Unanimous*). To be discussed at the November meeting.

**(Cllr. Beard to Action).**

OPC have received a letter of resignation from Cllr. Meadows. He served for 40 years.

Thanks and gratitude was given to Cllr. Meadows for his dedication and service to the Parish

and he will be missed.

There is now one vacancy which will be advertised in due course.

**The Chairman thanked everybody for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at 7.40pm.**

**The date of the next parish meeting will be held on** **Monday 4th October 2021 at 7.00pm at Oakamoor Village Hall.**