

**MINUTES OF THE FINNINGLEY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE ON TUESDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2021 AT 7PM**

**PRESENT:** Councillors R Castle (Chairman), W Bedford, J Clarke, C Creighton, J Hill and R Johnson

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

Ward Councillors Jane and Steve Cox  
Five members of the public were also present

In the meeting notice (posted on noticeboards), the Parish Council website ([www.finningleyparishcouncil.org](http://www.finningleyparishcouncil.org)) and its Social Media page (Finningley Parish Council Facebook site), members of the public were invited to raise questions or concerns in person at the remote meeting (by request) or by email to the clerk via the Parish Council website.

**1. PUBLIC SESSION**

Julie Kong expressed her sincere disappointment that the Parish Council did not support the DMBC CCTV Network Rollout in principle which may have a negative impact on funding and therefore the decision had been made to move forward with the scheme without any further involvement from Finningley Parish Council.

Julie Kong noted that a poll on social media clearly shows local support for the scheme.

Julie advised that with the help of the Ward Councillors they are in the process of arranging a meeting to discuss the CCTV project with one member of each Parish Council invited to attend along with the police and representatives from DMBC.

A resident advised that she had been subject to a recent burglary along with several other properties and asked the Parish Council how they support the village in addressing crime. She also expressed concern regarding the lack of engagement between the Parish Council and the community.

Emma Needham noted that the scheme was a great opportunity to bring the community together and she feels very let down and has no confidence in the Parish Council but reiterated that the FABB community group will work to get the CCTV rolled out. Emma also raised a query regarding the justification for CCTV on the Playing Field.

A member of the public expressed concern about the short timescale to arrange the meeting before purdah (pre-election period) due to the forthcoming elections and it was noted that hopefully the meeting can be arranged in the very near future but as the meeting is non political it could be held in purdah.

**2. TO RECEIVE/ACCEPT APOLOGIES** – All members present

**3. DECLARATIONS OF OTHER INTERESTS AND ANY UPDATES TO EXISTING MEMBERS' INTERESTS**

Councillor R Castle (Chairman) declared an interest in Items 10 & 16

Councillor R Johnson declared an interest in Item 12 & 13

Councillor W Bedford declared an interest in Items 12 & 14

Councillor C Creighton declared an interest in Item 16

Councillor J Clarke declared an interest in Items 12 & 13

**4. POLICING ISSUES**

The clerk advised that the last Doncaster Central and South Neighbourhood Newsletter received was in December.

**RESOLVED** to follow up with South Yorkshire Police

**CLERK**

## **5. REPORT FROM WARD COUNCILLORS/DMBC REPRESENTATIVES**

Ward Councillor J Cox spoke about the Covid 19 vaccine roll out and the free transport service to vaccination sites around the Doncaster borough for the elderly and disabled (the following information has been posted to the Parish Council website and social media site)

*Doncaster Community Transport (Leger Bus) are offering a FREE service to Covid 19 vaccination site's around the Doncaster borough for the elderly and disabled*

*If you or a family member have been given your appointment for the vaccine and need help to get there give us a call, as much notice as possible as places are limited*

*This is a Door to Door service and all our drivers will be wearing appropriate PPE*

*Transport will be running Monday-Sunday*

*Give us a call on 01302 342400 or 01302 360600*

*These lines will be answered from 07:30 to 16:00 Monday – Friday*

### Traffic Monitoring Strips

It was noted that Councillor W Bedford had raised a query regarding the traffic monitoring on Wroot Road and Doncaster Road, Finningley carried out last year.

Ward Councillor Steve Cox advised that his enquiries have established that the strips were not put down by DMBC or South Yorkshire Police so they may be related to a developer doing vehicle counts for a future planning application but this could not be confirmed; Ward Councillor J Cox agreed to make further enquiries.

## **6. TO DISCUSS ANY ISSUES RAISED BY THE PUBLIC VIA THE COUNCILS WEBSITE OR BY PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT THE MEETING**

Correspondence received via the Parish Council website questioning what research has been carried out or statistics assessed to show the validity of cameras for crime prevention was noted and it was agreed to forward this to DMBC as the Parish Council were unable to answer the questions raised.

### CCTV Meeting

**RESOLVED** that Councillor J Hill will attend the CCTV meeting on behalf of Finningley Parish Council. It was also noted that the Chairman will be attending the meeting as part of the FABB Group (Community Group) and not on behalf of the Parish Council.

## **7. TO APPROVE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD 19.01.19**

With a couple of minor amendments agreed by members it was **RESOLVED** the minutes be approved as a true record.

## **8. MATTERS ARISING FROM ABOVE MEETING FOR INFORMATION/NOTING - None**

## **9. PARISH COUNCIL VACANCY**

The clerk advised that as the vacancy has arisen within six months of the elections there is no opportunity for electors to request that the vacancy is filled by an election however the Parish Council may, if it wishes to do so, co-opt to fill the vacancy for the period until the election but it is under no obligation to do so (DMBC Six Month Rule Notice has been posted on the Parish Council website).

**RESOLVED** not to co-opt to fill the vacancy as the very earliest opportunity to co-opt would be the March Parish Council meeting and therefore the new member would only be in post for a maximum of two meetings.

## **10. ROLL OUT OF DMBC CCTV NETWORK**

### Chairman's Statement

The Chairman read out a brief statement concerning the DMBC CCTV roll out.

### Support for the Roll Out of DMBC CCTV Network in Finningley – Formally record the Parish Councils Decision (via email)

The Chairman via email 29/01 asked all members the following question "Does the Parish Council support the project in principle" and the majority vote was recorded as not in favour with one abstention.

The Parish Council had a further brief discussion regarding the CCTV roll out during which a member of the public interrupted the meeting and was therefore removed.

## **11. GRIT BIN REQUEST UPDATE (MANOR FARM COURT) - CLERK**

It was noted that the clerk was still awaiting a response from DMBC to the request for permission to put a grit bin on the grass verge in front of Manor Farm Court; clerk to follow up and enquire if the grit bin and grit can be purchased from DMBC.

## **12. VILLAGE ENHANCEMENT PROJECTS – CLLRS W BEDFORD, J CLARKE & R JOHNSON**

### Update on S106 Proposals

Councillor W Bedford reported that Donna Flicker (DMBC) will be holding a meeting with the S106 team on Thursday (18/02) and that she will draft a funding agreement following this meeting.

The Chairman asked Councillor Bedford to circulate the final submission to all members and this was agreed; Councillor R Johnson asked members to raise any queries regarding the submission before the meeting on 18/02.

## **13. JOINT PLAYING FIELD – CLLRS R JOHNSON & J CLARKE**

### Update on S106 Project

Councillor R Johnson reported that due to an administration problem within DMBC the S106 money has not yet been released to Blaxton Parish Council.

The Chairman asked Councillor R Johnson to circulate a copy of the final S106 submission to all members and this was agreed.

Councillor Johnson stated that the installation of CCTV on the Playing Fields was suggested by DMBC on the basis of anti-social behaviour and to bridge the gap between the thirteen costed projects and the S106 funding.

### Update – Field & Pavilion usage/ Covid-19 measures

Councillor R Johnson advised that due to the current lockdown restrictions there is no current activity on the Playing Fields except for casual use.

Councillor Johnson also reported that he had responded to an enquiry from Donna Flicker (DMBC) via the Parish Council clerk regarding the process for booking the pavilion.

## **14. ISSUES RELATING TO VILLAGE HALL – CLLRS W BEDFORD & R CASTLE**

### Bonsers Update

The clerk advised that she was awaiting a response from Bonsers regarding the work agreed at the January Parish Council meeting.

### Work required to side door

The Chairman reported that the local joiner was hoping to carry out the work this week. Councillor W Bedford requested that the joiner also carry out the work previously agreed on the main door; Chairman to speak with joiner.

## **15. POND ISSUES**

### Water Supply Project Update

The Chairman reported that he has now removed the water interrupter and that the water levels are ok at the minute due to the amount of rain.

Councillor W Bedford advised that he has turned off one of the pumps as it is not producing air and it was agreed that Councillor Bedford will contact Craig Woodland for advice.

## **16. ALLOTMENTS PROVISION**

### Progress Report

The Chairman advised that Viking trees have now carried out the hedgerow work so all planned work has now been completed.

### Storage Proposal

Councillor C Creighton reported that he is still liaising with the Allotment Society Chairman regarding their storage requirements for the allotments and the clerk gave an update on the remaining allotment budget.

Receipt of the Allotment Society Draft AGM Minutes 23/01 was noted

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Receipt of the Allotment Society Current Officers & Membership was noted

Receipt of the Allotment Society Accounts 2020 was noted

## **17. FINANCIAL MATTERS**

### Pre-Approved Transactions

BIB 592	Clerks Salary	£ 381.31
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BIB 593	HMRC (PAYE)	£ 95.33
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### Payments to be approved

BIB 594	Viking Trees (Allotment Work)	£ 1596.00
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BIB 595	E.ON (Pond Electricity)	£ 95.20
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### Precept 2021-22 Confirmation

The clerk confirmed that the precept notice for 2021-2022 had been returned to DMBC

## **18. PLANNING ISSUES**

### **a) Planning Applications Received:**

1. (21/00089/FUL) Erection of two storey extension to the side along with single storey extension to the rear, following the demolition of existing single storey extension at 24 Elm Drive, Finningley Neutral Response (No Comments)

2. (21/00246/FUL) Demolition of existing single storey rear extension, erection of new single storey extension to rear and side of dwelling together with conversion of existing loft space and rendering of existing property (Being resubmission of application granted ref: 20/01855/FUL) at 4 Chapel Lane, Finningley Neutral Response provided there will be no overspill parking on Chapel Lane

3. (V/4234) Vary Condition 6 of planning permission 1/15/01034/CDM to extend the life of the groundwater monitoring boreholes for a further 3 years to fall in line with the life of the exploratory well on Land off Springs Road, Misson Neutral Response (No Comments)

## **b) Planning Updates**

### Tetron Asbestos Licence Application EPR/JB3002LB/V002

Councillor W Bedford reported that he had requested an update from the Environment Agency on Monday 8 February; no response received to date

### Land off Wroot Road (Tipping Site) Planning Enforcement Reference 20/00109/M

The Parish Council raised a complaint with DMBC Enforcement on 2 June 2020 for unauthorised running of a riding stable; the riding school is now closed and the site is vacant

Councillor W Bedford reported that DMBC Enforcement has raised the Parish Councils concerns with both sites (Bank End Quarry & Finningley Quarry – Tetron LLP) and they are awaiting a response.

## **c) DMBC Planning Process Concerns**

Clerk is continuing to follow up the planning concerns raised previously which have not been addressed with DMBC.

## **19. HIGHWAY ISSUES**

### Update on Definitive Map Order Application

Councillor W Bedford gave a brief update on the application.

## **20. COMMUNICATION**

### Parish Council Website

WCAG 2.1 AA Compliance

Councillor J Hill gave an update on the .gov domain registration and advised that the current webmaster is happy to continue in his current role providing that there is a single point of contact between the Parish Council and himself so the responsibility for ongoing compliance does not lie with him.

**RESOLVED** that Councillor Hill will act as the single point of contact and liaise with the webmaster.

**RESOLVED** to contact Aubergine and accept the quote provided to build a new compliant website.

**CLLR J HILL**

### Social Media

The Chairman reported that the Parish Council social media presence continues to grow steadily and that the Allotment Society also now has their own social media page.

### Newsletter

Councillor R Johnson advised that the next newsletter is due in March and asked members to forward any items for inclusion; Councillors R Johnson and J Hill to compile newsletter.

## **21. TO RECEIVE AND NOTE CORRESPONDENCE**

Consultation on Main Modifications to Doncaster Local Plan (circulated to members 11/02) was noted

### YLCA – Survey on NALC proposal to ask Government to extend the right to hold remote meetings beyond May 2021

Councillor R Johnson advised that the Government are considering whether to extend the remote meeting regulations beyond 7<sup>th</sup> May 2021 and that along with other local Government bodies, the National Association of Local Councils (NALC) is continuing to press for this power to be made permanent.

**RESOLVED** that members will forward their responses to Councillor Johnson who will compile a coordinated response to the survey; clerk to forward to the YLCA.

### Her Majesty's Land Registry Survey

**RESOLVED** that Councillor R Johnson will liaise with the clerk to formulate a response to the survey regarding land ownership.

Recommendation to the YLCA from Sprotbrough and Cusworth Parish Council (circulated to members)  
Councillor R Johnson read out correspondence received from Sprotbrough and Cusworth Parish Council regarding nuisance quad and motorbikes on Council land and the steps they are seeking to amend current legislation to have off road quad and motorbikes included within the definitions in the Road Traffic Act 1988 to ensure they meet the legal requirements of registration,tax,MOT and insurance.

**RESOLVED** to fully support the recommendations to be put forward at the YLCA Joint AGM in July 2021.

Councillor J Hill expressed concern regarding the state of the bin on Wroot Road/Chapel Lane and it was agreed to contact DMBC and ask them to replace the bin with a dual dog/litter bin as proposed in the Village Enhancement Project.

**CLERK**

**22. TO CONFIRM DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2021 at 7pm via videoconferencing