

**Minutes of a Virtual Meeting of the Council held on Friday May  
29, 2020, via the ZOOM on-line system, at 6.00pm**

Present: Councillors Gregg Redford (Chairman) Chris Grocock, Jane Morris(A), Julia Faulconbridge  
Georgia Elms, Steve Ball, Carol Dunn

In attendance: The Clerk Mike Elliott.

**1. Apologies for Absence** Coun. Jane Morris

**2. Declarations of Interest** There were none

**3. Minutes of the Meeting held of 28th April 2020 for approval** were approved as circulated and would be signed by the chairman when appropriate.

The chairman changed the order of the agenda at this point to bring forward **Item 12**. The meeting was told that there had been one nomination for the vacancy on the council. The chairman proposed that Carol Dunn be co-opted, Coun. Grocock seconded the motion and it was agreed unanimously that Carol Dunn be appointed. Coun. Dunn was welcomed to the council and thanked for her interest. The new members signed her Declaration of Acceptance form which would be countersigned by the clerk in due course.

**4. Clerk's Report** The meeting was told that Aslockton School has become a Station Adopter for the Aslockton train Station. There was a need for more volunteers and the council to publicise this. Rushcliffe Borough Council were looking for nomination for an award for local people who had gone above and beyond to help people locally during the coronavirus lockdown. The council did not put forward a name. Nottingham County Council had announced all their waste recycling centres would re-open on June 1 after a brief spell of closure due to the coronavirus situation.

**5. Verbal report from the Borough and County Councillors** There were no reports

**6. Correspondence**

Midlands Rural Housing advised their survey questionnaires were being circulated in the village and completed forms were required back to them by June 30. A resident who wished to remain anonymous complained that rubbish was being dumped into the Queens Wood by one of the residents in the bungalows that back on to the Wood. Coun. Redford and Faulconbridge would investigate.

**7. Playing Field**

A motion proposed by the chairman and seconded by Coun. Grocock to authorise the Clerk to sign an agreement with Aslockton and Orston football club in respect of improvements to the football pitch was approved unanimously.

The agreement does not confer any rights whatsoever over any portion of the playing field or inhibit the use of the field by any other users. It does commit the Football Club to improving the pitch. The site owner is encouraged to ensure that the Football Club partner has priority access to pitch bookings.

It was emphasised by the chairman that the agreement is not a lease but a paper for the named club to carry out additional maintenance procedures to improve the quality of pitches at the Whatton and Aslockton playing field site.

A report from Councillor Grocock on fundraising revealed that a grant of £10,000 has been received from the Rushcliffe Borough Council Covid 19 fund. The committee are continuing to seek Section 106 funding. Work by Proludic on the play equipment development is progressing.

## **8. Planning**

### Rushcliffe Borough Council applications

20/00930 Mr Barnard, 4 Coney Gardens. Convert garage into living space. No objection.

20/00107/ful. Helen Burnell, Hill Cottage, Old Grantham Road. Replace conservatory roof with tiles, add velux roof lights and install taller windows. No objection.

### Rushcliffe Borough Council decisions

20/00565/ful. Mr Mrs Flint, Breys Hey, Conery Lane. Loft conversion including raising roof on front gable. Grant.

20/00780/ful. Mr Mrs J Wass, Conery Nook, Conery Lane. Single storey side extension to form porch and wc. Grant

## **9. Footpaths**

The chairman reported the closure order on FP1 on Blackberry Hill to allow renovation work on the bridge had been extended to October 21.

## **10. Finance**

**Accounts for Payment** had been circulated and were unanimously approved, proposed by the chairman and seconded by Coun. Ball.

**Annual Accounts for 2019/2020.** Copies had been circulated to all members for consideration. After discussion the chairman proposed they be accepted, Coun. Faulconbridge seconded the motion and all agreed. The clerk said the internal auditor, an accountant, had signed the account without serious comment.

## **11. Environment**

Coun. Faulconbridge said that there had been a delay in grass cutting maintenance at Queen Wood because of a machinery breakdown for the contractor. There was a single cut planned. Trees provided under the Rushcliffe Borough Council tree scheme had been planted and were making good progress although there was a need for watering.

**13. Agenda items for the next meeting on June 23 at 7-15pm.** Grass verges, Village Green tree.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.00pm.