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## Meeting of Moulton Parish Council on Monday 9th November 2020 via Zoom

Meeting commenced at 19:31

In attendance: Cllr A Capstick (Chair), Cllr J Harding (Vice Chair & Acting Clerk), Cllr N Jennings, Cllr J Kershaw. Cllr A Bush and Cllr le Breuilly (from 20:01)

# **Apologies** Mrs Sharron Spruce Cllr Sophie Dillon **Declarations of Interest** 2 None 3 **Public Forum** None 4 **PCSO Report** Two reports of fireworks on Bonfire Night (one of these was on the park) No reports of thefts or shoplifting Two burglaries. A suspected offender has been arrested and charged. No reports of vehicle or bicycle theft One report of a vehicle being parked close to a junction **Minutes** Motion: To note the minutes and supplementary document of the Parish Meeting on 12th October 2020 (circulated to members) as a correct record. Resolved. Proposed: Cllr Jennings Seconded: Cllr Kershaw. Carried. The approved minutes and policies are now published on the website and on the noticeboard. The overgrown hedges were reported to CWaC, and were rejected except one report. The unpassable path has been reported to CWaC and they have told the land agent to repair the path. The bank reconciliation is now up to date. The ACV recommendations have been made to the unitary authority and follow up questions have been answered. There is an objection to the submission (as it has been made) for the Village Hall by the owner of the building and the Clerk is communciating with the unitary authority. The CIL Report has been submitted (this is on the website) Cllr Bush received the five posters for Weaver Road play area Further to last month, the planning department have been ask a query and this will be followed up. PKF Littleighn are still undertaking the external audit and will be followed up if they take much longer. The oft-promised Barnside Way road markings have now been added by CWaC. **Administrative Matters** Agree locations for the Wildflower proposal, and a budget. Motion: To agree a budget of £250, and the locations for the Wildflower proposal Cllr Kershaw outlined several long-term locations including: the land beside the electricity substation in Main Road, the grass verges of Main Road, Whitlow Lane, Niddries Lane and Summerfield Drive, Orchard Rise and two parcels of land on the playing field, beside the car park on the playing field and beside the new path. Cllr Kershaw highlighted that wildflowers should not infringe on the current usage and in the short-term, she wanted to move forward with planting Yellow Rattle beside the car park, and wildflower seeds beside the path. This would require the use of a petrol scarifier or turf cutter, and Cllr Capstick agreed to help source one. Discussions will be had with CWaC and other land owners for future projects. Resolved. Proposed: Cllr Boyle Seconded: Cllr Bush. Carried. 8 **Planning** No planning applications have been received

**Financial Matters** 

- Consider the income and expenditure received to date
- Cllrs Harding and Capstick to detail the payments to be made and income received

Motion: To accept the financial report

Resolved. Proposed: Cllr Capstick Seconded: Cllr Jennings. Carried.

#### 10 Renovation and Maintenance of Moulton Green Spaces

Update on the path from School Lane to Honeyvale Gardens

The path across the top of the playing field has completed; this has been warmly received and the contractor will review the path and do any maintenance required.

## 11 Subcommittee Reports

Environmental Working Group met:

- They have finalised the new green spaces tender that will be published through Moulton Parish Council channels
- The Risk Assessment strategy has been completed by Cllr Jennings
- The Wildflower proposal was accepted to take to MPC (see Item 7)
- They believed that instead of taking inspiration from Weight of the World and The Refill Shed and look to
  emulate in Moulton, they should signpost towards the existing services.
- They have asked the Clerk to create a social media presence for them
- They are asking CWaC about the possibility of reducing the light polution in Moulton by having the street lights on a timer. This is being investigated by Cllr Jennings.
- They want to publicise the Green Homes Grant in the parish.

#### 12 Regent Street Backs

Cllr Capstick and Cllr Harding met with the solicitor to discuss the progress:

- Wildlife, bat and soil surveys are being undertaken on the site.
- The council are proposing a few minor tweaks to the contract between Moulton Parish Council and the developer.
- There is an expectation that they will submit their request for planning permission in December or January, for a decision by Spring 2021.
- If Planning Permission is not granted then the land reverts to Moulton Parish Council.
- Clirs Harding and Capstick reiterated their desire to have a portion of the site open for car parking during the work.
- A number of the garages still have items in them and Moulton Parish Council are talking to the solicitor regarding options on this.

## 13 Chairman Report

- The lockdown forced the community to have a different sort of Remembrance Day, and the Chair encouraged everyone to watch a wonderful presentation on the St Stephens Moulton Facebook page. Cllr Capstick paid tribute to Tony, Reverend Mark and Craig. She also noted the plants which Cllr Kershaw had planted.
- Cllr Capstick is keen to explore the Remembrance Day benches and asked the councillors to consider
  options for these with the remainder of the CIL money
- Neither CWaC, Government guidance or Sage/Independent Sage is advising that councils consider closing their play facilities. Should the "R" value rise or this changes, then the council will not be closing the MUGA.
- The unitary authority have found the deed pack for the CAT application and have determined that it is a non-playing field asset. Cllr Capstick will convene a Special Projects Committee to ascertain what grants would be available to transforming that land.
- The Handyperson applications have been reviewed and the process would move forward in due course.

# 14 | Councillor Reports (three minutes each)

Cllr Boyle

Cllr Boyle echoed the congratulations towards the Remembrance Day parade.

Cllr Bush

The FoodHub has experienced an uptick in referrals and is keen to move forward with spending the grant. She notes the Weaver Road Play Area is being used extensively, and asked if the allotments were still on hold due to the weather. Cllr Capstick confirmed that they were.

Cllr Harding

Cllr Harding has stated that the council need a Finance meeting and a meeting of MPFT. He expressed a desire for the themed benches to have a nod towards NHS and war medics.

Cllr Jennings

	Cllr Jennings is still working on the CCTV for MPFT. He has received the Crime Number from Cheshire Police that was issued due to a member of the parish who harassed and abused himself and Cllr Harding a couple of months ago, and this would be kept on file in case there is any repeated issues.  • Cllr Kershaw  Cllr Kershaw is concerned about the land at the back of Weaver Grange  • Cllr LeBruilly  None		
15	Data Protection		
	Cllr Harding to update     None	the council to the FoIA and GDPR requests received	
16	AOB None		
17	Summary of Actions		
18	Note the currently scheduled dates of the next meetings		
	Moulton Parish Council	Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> December 2020 at 19:30 at Moulton School, Moulton	
	Finance Committee	TBC	
	Special Projects Committee	None scheduled	
	Moulton Playing Fields Trust	TBC	
	HR Subcommittee	None scheduled	

End: 20:53

## Part B

This part of the meeting is confidential and is without the press and public attendance

B1	Update on Clerking Situation Held in Supplementary Document	
B2	Update on Regent Street Backs Held in Supplementary Document	