**Notes from discussion held via Zoom on Monday 5th July 2021**

**PRESENT:** Councillors T Hodges, T Smith, M Venables, M Litton, K Hodgkinson, A Ross and P Walker.

**ALSO PRESENT:** L Sandison (Parish Clerk)

**APOLOGIES:** Councillors M Stocks and P Cobley and L Kelly and P Kelly

Start 7.30pm

**Parish updates:**

-Celandine Court incident- the Clerk spoke to the PCSO regarding the matter. It would appear that further incidents have occurred which the Police are involved with.

-Sink hole near new Costa Coffee has been repaired.

-The Clerk has requested HS2 information on a memory stick and will make the information available on request.

-Cllr Kath Hodgkinson has planted up the school planter. The school sent their thanks.

-A CWAC Planning Enforcement Officer and the PCSO will be looking into the parking matter along Townshend Rd.

-Letter of objection regarding the £40.00 garden waste collection has been sent to Cllr Stocks.

-Noise investigation is now complete and report written. A letter has been sent to the complainant copying in neighbours and CWAC.

-Complaint received regarding the long grass on the Stubbs Lane footpath which leads to the A556. The Clerk has reported the matter to CWAC and POS Landcare. Cllr Venables has also looked into the matter.

-CG Services has now cut the Churchyard grass.

-Graffiti on the canal bridge and paint on the Fryer Road pavement have been reported.

-The PCC grants are on a match basis- therefore the Clerk has applied for CCTV funding of £2,370.00.

**-Football Pitch update**

-The trees have now been cut back ready for the MUGA build.

-The build is expected to start the first week in September and last three weeks.

**-Insurance**

The Parish Councillors along with the Clerk discussed the three Insurance quotes and level of cover offered by each provider.

**-Chairman’s Report**

* MV – Cllr Venables and Cllr Cobley carried out tree pruning along the Manchester Road footpath adjacent to the Community Centre site fence. MV carried out a Risk Assessment and the task was completed without complication.
* PW- Cllr Walker will be attending the HS2 Community Event on 12th July.
* KH – Cllr Hodgkinson has planted the school planter, the other parish planters are looking nice although one plant has been taken from the planter at the Hall Lane traffic lights.
* TS – Asked about the meeting with Sarah Morgan at the Lostock Gralam train station. The Clerk gave a brief overview of the meeting and advised that volunteers were required to help maintain the station, funding would be available for plants and materials to help the project. The school may be able to get involved with possible art work on sculptures.
* PW advised that the Church is ok.
* TS- Cllr Smith would like to discuss the increasing drug use in the Parish. The Clerk will therefore invite the PCSO to the next PC meeting.
* TH- Chairman T Hodges informed the Cllrs about Spacehive which is crowdfunding for local projects, CWAC would also match the funding. TH asked the Cllrs to think about any future projects.

**-Planning**

The Parish Councillors discussed the 69 Wells Avenue (21/02244/FUL) planning application.

**-Finance**

The Clerk explained the need for a temporary £10,000 bank overdraft to cover the PC for the time when the MUGA has been paid for and grant monies are waiting to be credited to the bank. The Clerk also provided a cash flow forecast.

**-Payments**

The Clerk gave a summary of payments due which the Councillors examined.

**-Date and Time of next meeting**

Parish Council meeting on Monday 2nd August at 7.30pm in the Church Hall.

Cllr P Walker will be away for the next meeting.

End Time: 20:15