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Minutes of the Meeting of Oakthorpe, Donisthorpe and Acresford Parish Council held on Wednesday 14th April 2021 by remote access at 7.00 pm

**Present:** Cllrs:S McKendrick (Chair)**,** N Antill**,** J Antill, D Warren, M Warren

**Officers:** K Grove – Clerk/RFO, Dale Pearce (Caretaker),

**Also, Present:**

Cllr R Ashman

*7pm*

***I minute silence held in commemoration of HRH Prince Phillip The Duke of Edinburgh also during silence to consider those who lost their lives during the pandemic.***

*Clerk to put a message in the Royal Family’s Condolence book:*

*‘Oakthorpe Donisthorpe and Acresford Parish Council wish to express our deepest sympathies to Her Majesty the Queen following the loss of her husband, His Royal Highness Prince Phillip’.*

*7.04pm*

**042101 APOLOGIES**

Cllr Gelder – personal – accepted

Cllr Dyason

Police – apologies – accepted

Cllr Sheehan

**042102 DECLARATION OF MEMBERS INTERESTS**

In accordance with Section 31 of the Localism Act 2011, to enable members to declare the existence and nature of any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests they have in subsequent agenda items, in accordance with the Council’s Code of Conduct. Interests that become apparent at a later stage in the proceedings may be declared at that time.

**None**

# 0421:03 PUBLIC QUESTION SESSION

Members of the public should note that it is not possible to debate matters raised under this item. Questions must be addressed to the Chairman of the meeting.

**None**

**042104 POLICE MATTERS**

Council thanks the police for their report:

The police report is as follows:

14/03 – ASB (youths) Public Disorder at the Donisthorpe Woodland Centre.

17/03 – Complaint re HGVs at Moira Road, Donisthorpe.

18/03 – ASB re motorbikes on the Donisthorpe trail.

18/03 – ASB (youths) on the car park at Donisthorpe Woodland Centre.

20/03 – ASB re motorbikes on the Donisthorpe trail (two reports).

10/04 – ASB (youths) recorded as ABH on the Donisthorpe trial.

There have been complaints about HGV’s accessing Coronation Lane, Oakthorpe to deliver materials to the Madison construction site on Main Street. The site has been visited and advice given to use School Street, Main Street from Measham Road instead.

There has been no acquisitive crime since the last meeting.

**042105 RESOLVED:** Minutes of the Meetings held on

Wednesday 10th March - approved and signed as a true record **unanimous.**

Wednesday 24th March - approved and signed as a true record **unanimous.**

**042106 GROUNDS AND RECREATION AREAS**

To receive reports from OCLC and councillors

**042106.1** OCLC caretakers report – report sent via email

Leisure centre re opened week commending 29th March for Grassroots football, it reopened for all outside sports week commencing 12th April

OAFC email discussed

football 12.5% increase on costs

At present :-

No spectators

No changing rooms

*7.16pm Cllr Sheehan & Cllr Dyason join meeting*

**42106.2**

Reports raised by councillors

* Cllr McKendrick - deferred to 6.4

**042106.3**

No items raised by grounds contractors.

**042106.4**

-Donisthorpe Orchard Boundary –

Ground’s report submitted to council prior to meeting.

-Youths made humps using dirt from footpath.

Who owns land with footpath? Footpath on private land. County council can contact landowner.

Cllr McKendrick to contact footpath officer to investigate who is the landowner. Does Parish council own boundary fence? Copy Cllr Sheehan in on email.

-Oakthorpe Allotments proposal.- Cllr Warren looking into possibility.

River Trent programme possible funding to support this.

More than 6 people approach the council they will try to see if they can facilitate.

Clerk investigate the rules of providing allotments.

-Playground ROSPA report – noted

Monitor medium issues - monthly

- Email from M Scrivener re Football pitches – clerk to invite to June’s meeting

-Old footpath from Acresford to Donisthorpe in second field there is tree down blocking stile leaning on sign. Been there for three/four months.

Clerk reported to NWLDC, who told to report to county, then county passed back to district. Tree looks like branches have been removed possibly by landowner.

Clerk to forward emails to Cllr Sheehan

Parking issues down Hall Lane raised - Council to monitor.

**042107** Leisure Centre review

**042107.1** Parish Questionnaire results

Survey returned 120 extra 2 at the centre the comments will be noted.

Main point raised - Advertising for the centre.

Defer questionnaire to working group for the centre review to analyse overall themes to feed back to full council.

Council wishes to thank The Halfway House, Steve’s Village Store Donisthorpe, C Hart Oakthorpe resident for collecting in completed questionnaires.

**042107.2** MUGA update – report circulated prior to meeting

IM properties turned down application for funding MUGA

Looking to football association need to get a consultant quotes in to prepare

Any money spent on consultant could be claimed back through funding.

Working party looking into options to raise funds.

**042107.3** Next steps

Clerk to arrange meeting with OCLC working group.

**042108 Clerks report**

To receive the Clerk’s report advising members on the position of various matters.

**042108.1** Preparing for face-to-face meetings

**RESOLOVED: To move May Meeting to Wednesday 5th May 7pm**

Suggested even when council return to face-to-face meetings council should have other meetings by zoom as are more efficient and involve less travel making council greener.

**042108.2** IT Provision update

Move to 2commune £500

This provider can move emails across on phones /tablets

Cllr Antill-Holmes to ask current provider if they would be happy to preserve information. Happy to transfer emails to new provider. Clerk’s email’s need to be preserved.

Report back next meeting.

**042108.3** Council vacancy

Co-option until April 30th after this time vacancy will be reported to NWLDC

**042108.4** MVAS – installation/ data collection

Deferred to next meeting

**042108.5** 3VN article to be written by Councillor Antill

**042108.6** Councillor courses attended - useful/important feedback

- NALC Rebuilding Communities

Re-building communities course not worth the money – feedback given to NALC

- River Mease

Good course about the projects they were doing

**042109 CORRESPONDENCE**

**042109.1** Copies sent via email

**042109.2** MOP queries

i) Traffic increase in Oakthorpe -

Coronation Lane did not used to have car issue as residents were old with no cars. New younger owners have cars. Access is available around the back.

Proposal of Yellow lines on Coronation Lane. Cllr Sheehan will look into it.

ii) Church Street gully blocked – unblocked

Access to households to Gas pipe being installed by IM. Adopting/accessing gas main for domestic use will not be possible.

iii) Oakthorpe Chapel – can it be registered as listed building or a community asset?

The community group would have to look into this but would need to engage with Church owners who plan to sell it.

iv) Storm Drains blocked in Oakthorpe back of Measham Road & side of school street (with green space) – reported and requested resident reports too.

**042109.3** Pension Deficit Agreement – update. Agreement signed by Cllr McKendrick and returned to LCC

**042109.4** VE Day 8th May - noted

**042110 FINANCE**

**042110.1** RFO to report on the Council’s current financial position

Statement of accounts and bank reconciliation to 31st March 2021 were discussed. RFO reported on the council’s current financial position

It was noted the bids to receive a business grant for the leisure centre from NWLDC had been successful

Nov Covid support grant and received £1334

Jan-March Covid support Grant and received £6001

Put by NWLDC into the investment account

**RESOLVED:** To ring fence £7335 in OCLC Covid grant pot - unanimous

**TAX**

**VAT Reclaims made 2020-2021**

4th quarter 13/04/21 £1037.70

3rd quarter 23rd Dec 2020 £526.50

2nd quarter 5th Oct 2020 £352.92

1st quarter 7th May 2020 £361.75

**PAYE payments 2020-2021 NI Contributions**

April 2021 £267.35

Oct 2020 £27.40 & £13.70

July 2020 £73.38

April 2020 £958.65

**Pension**

2020-2021 July-Feb pension contributions cost due in April £1002.08

£125.28pm for March due April 2021

**042110.2**

**RESOLVED:** Statement of accounts and bank reconciliation as 31st March 2021 accepted and approved. – **unanimous**

**042110.3**

**RESOLVED:** The payments list for March/April be approved (on website under meeting paperwork).**unanimous**

**042110.4** To receive and authorise March’s and new financial year payments as set out in the attached list (list in meeting paperwork on website)

Any additional payments received since the agenda went to print will be reported at the meeting.

Joint Burial Board £3,715.34

LC stamps £7.92

PC Stamps £13.29

Letter postage CISWO £1.53

**RESOLUTION –** Approve additional payments £3738.08 **-unanimous**

**042111 PLANNING**

**042111.1 CONSULTATIONS**

**APPLICATION REFERENCE 21/00317/FUL**

Proposal: Change of use of part of existing garage to a studio business for personal training

Location: 6 Buttercup Avenue Donisthorpe Swadlincote Derby

**Support recommendation to restrict working hours and noise levels.**

**APPLICATION REFERENCE 21/00454/TPO**

Proposal: Works to 2no. Sycamores (Protected by Tree Preservation Order)

Location: The Croft 14 Main Street Oakthorpe Swadlincote

**Noted**

**042111.2 Permissions**

**Ref: NATTRAN/EM/S247/4460**

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 – SECTION 247

STOPPING UP OF HIGHWAY AT PEONY RISE, 1 THE SQUARE, OAKTHORPE, LEICESTERSHIRE DE12 7QS

OS GRID REFERENCE: E:432119, N:313046

**Noted**

**Application reference 20/01878/FUL**

Demolition of stables and barn and erection of replacement barn and formation of stone access track at 1 Hall Lane Donisthorpe Swadlincote Derby

**Noted**

**Application reference 21/00174/FUL**

Erection of a single storey rear extension and formation of balcony at 62 New Street

Donisthorpe Swadlincote Derby

**Noted**

**042112 DISTRICT COUNCIL**

Cllr Ashman updated the meeting on current matters.

**042113 COUNTY COUNCIL**

Cllr Sheahan updated the meeting on current matters.

Fly tipping - On going issue

Rubbish tumbled off embankment – M42 – littering.

St Johns Church- can be turned in to a building for all. – Looking for someone to fundraise to offered expertise & advice

Oakthorpe Light issue solved – resident remembered a petition 40 years ago Replacement programme to be done 27th April

Letter written to Cllr Sheahan

Burton Road – highways identified a broken drain from the culvert at the right angle and the pipe carrying away was smashed back in 2000 and had not been repaired.

**042114 OUTSIDE BODY REPRESENTATIVE**

To receive reports from any members who have attended meetings of outside bodies since the last meeting of the Parish Council.

Cllr McKendrick - Donisthorpe community group are planning an Apple Day

**042115 Date of next meeting –** Wednesday May 5th Annual Council Meeting followed by full council meeting 7pm

**042116 Meeting Closed 8.58pm**