

# MINUTES

**Drayton Bassett Parish Council Monthly Meeting**  
**Sports Recreation Ground, Rectory Close**  
(meeting held outside observing social distancing guidelines)

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2020, 7:00pm**

**Present:**

Chair: Cllr. Watkins  
Councillors: Wilkinson, Keenan, Acton, Edmond, Reynolds  
Clerk: Sue Stait

**Apologies :**

Apologies received from Cllr. Hemus.

**Visitors:**

K. Hodge  
L. Hodge  
M. Putnan  
A. Smith

**Declaration of Interest and Code of Conduct:**

None noted.

**Minutes of Previous Meeting:**

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 23<sup>rd</sup> June were accepted as a true record and were signed accordingly by the Chair.

**Parishioners Items:**

**16/20 Overgrown Hedges** – a parishioner noted that a number of hedges are overgrown and encroaching on the pavement. An advisory note will be added to the newsletter and delivered to impacted areas.

**17/20 Anti-Social Behaviour** – a number of instances of anti-social behavior have been noted by a resident on the historic site. Although not serious, Cllr Watkins will speak to the people thought to be involved.

**18/20 Village Green Trees** – a parishioner enquired about the plans for replacing the felled trees. No plans to replace the trees, however there are ongoing discussions with regard to what to replace them with. See 47/19.

**19/20 Overhanging Trees** – relates to 13/20 below. Cllr. Edmond will investigate and add to the tree schedule. Including the silver birch at the historic site that is growing too tall and impacting on a parishioner's garden. Cllr. Edmond will also enquire about the work to remove the tree stumps.

**20/20 Gas smell** – a parishioner noted that they can smell gas between Old Manor Close and the village green. They have reported it and it has been tested. Clerk will follow up with a further report of it re-occurring on a number of occasions.

**21/20 Drones** – a parishioner noted that a drone had been spotted flying around the village, alongside top floor windows and in to gardens and causing a nuisance. It has been found crashed in a garden. Clerk to log the incident with the police, and a similar incident that happened some weeks ago. Clerk will check with the police what the rules are governing drone flying in a residential area.

### **Matters Arising:**

**47/19 Display Board at Historical Site** – Clerk to schedule a meeting in August. Clerk to chase up a response to the emails ref. kerbstones and fire hydrant so that we have the information in time for the meeting in August.

**30/19 Dog Fouling** – Clerk shared the response from LDC about replacing the dog poo bins with normal litter bins. Further review required in terms of value vs. use. Add item to the next agenda.

**33/19 Plans for Village Green** – as per 47/19 above.

**06/20 Flooding at 30 and 32 Drayton Lane** – Clerk shared the response from the Flood Risk Management Team. They advised that we request the drainage plan via the Staffordshire Highways portal. Clerk to action this.

**12/20 – Footpath Stile** – Clerk to speak to Cllr. Hemus about replacing the stile with fixed, off set barriers, that allows pushchair access.

**13/20 – Hedges Overgrown** – Cllr. Acton noted that the hedgerow had become overgrown between Old Manor Close and the Village Green. Similarly, where the Church adjoins the historic site. To be added to the tree schedule of works following a site visit.

### **Reports and Actions:**

Nothing to report.

### **Notification of other Parish Matters:**

**46/19 Play Equipment** – following the recent repairs, Cllr. Edmond proposed that the two rubber swings need to be replaced along with shackles for all swings. Cllr Reynolds seconded the proposal, all in agreement. Clerk to order the required parts.

### **Planning:**

Nothing to report.

### **Finance:**

Cheques signed prior to the meeting:

07/07/20 – 1416 – Lauren Hodge, grass maintenance June - £898

Cheques signed at the meeting:

21/07/20 – 1417 – HMRC PAYE/NI - £341.83

21/07/20 – 1418 – Sue Stait, salary June - £238.08

**10/20 AGAR 19/20** – relevant documentation approved and signed.

**Correspondence:**

**24/18 – Over 35s Team** – The over 35s team would like to use the sports and recreation ground for their annual charity match in August. Agreed, although due to Covid-19 restrictions they will not be permitted to use the changing rooms and toilets. Clerk to notify them.

**15/20 – Under 10s football training** – signed agreement received.

**Meeting Closed:** 20:00

SIGNED AS A TRUE AND ACCURATE RECORD

MEETING CHAIR \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_