

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WAVERLEY COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD AT VIRTUALLY ON WEDNESDAY 1 JULY 2020 AT 7.00PM

Present: Councillors Jamie Baggaley (Chair), Neil Adshead, Amin Allen-Miah, Sai Narra, Aravind Venkana and Laura Ross, plus Rachel Graham, Clerk to the Council.

In Attendance: MP Alexander Stafford, Ward Councillor Bob Walsh and Ward Councillor Nigel Simpson, Luke Norfolk – WJA. Alex Doyle, Shaun Wilder and Eleanor Clarke from the Residents Association, Leesa Tingay-Pryce from the Events Team and one resident.

91.20 Apologies and Reasons for Absence

None necessary.

92.20 Waverley Community Council Meetings

The minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 3 June were approved.

93.20 Confidential Items.

It was agreed to exclude the press and public with regard to item 19 on the agenda as it relates to staffing matters covered by the Data Protection Act.

94.20 Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary and Other Interests

No declarations made.

95.20 Matters Arising

- The Clerk had contacted RMBC regarding the resignation of Cllr Grace and the process to seek another Councillor had commenced.
- Bins – Clerk has been in contact with RMBC. They do have a budget for bins, and intend to spend it on new ‘super bins’ in the town centre. These will be solar and crush the rubbish, leaving more capacity. The ‘old’ bins will be reallocated across the borough. The Clerk has made a repeat request for a bin on Stephenson Way
- Update in summer sports from SJD Sports Coaching – SJD have been working during lock-down and already have processes in place to manage COVID-10, eg smaller groups, social distancing and a facebook based booking system.
- Buggy Walk and Talk –Aughton Early Years confirmed that the 4 sessions had yet to take place because of COVID-19
- Noticeboard – quote from Graham Moule received £200. Clerk and Chair agreed that it should go ahead as per Financial Regulations. Noticeboard was removed 19 June.

96.20 Ward Councillor Reports

- a) Cllr Walsh reported that RMBC services which had been suspended because of COVID-19 had started-up again, including, household recycling, garden waste and grass cutting.
- b) Cllr Simpson reported that he was aware of a list of issues from the Residents Facebook page, and is keen to support them in seeking solutions.

97.20 Alexander Stafford MP

Mr Stafford MP thanked the WCC for the invite. He said that as the MP for Rother Valley, he

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was keen to hear directly from residents about the issues affecting them. Residents were also welcome to ask how and why he has chosen to vote on certain matters

- a) To receive more information about the Awards scheme
The Award scheme is to recognize heroes in Rother Valley who have stepped up in these extraordinary times. Mr Stafford MP hopes to celebrate with the 'heros' with a reception once lock-down has ended.
- b) To nominate residents - the Chair asked Councillors to send nominations to the Clerk to collate and send to Mr Stafford MP, with email addresses and contact details of the individual.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Resolved: That the meeting is adjourned for comments and questions from the press and public. **Carried.**

A resident raised the issue of the recently planted laurel trees between Sorby Row and Highfield Spring B6066 and suggested no maintenance had been undertaken. The Clerk agreed to look into it and report back at the next meeting.

98.20 Waverley Academy

Update from representative on school parking - Luke Norfolk, read a statement from WJA on how walking to school would be encouraged as well as staggered start times for years to limit the impact of the school run. The Clerk will place this on the website.

19:30 Shaun Wilder and Eleanor Clarke joined the meeting

99.20 Residents Association

- a) The RA had collated a list of issues from residents via the Facebook page and would provide the full list to the Clerk before the end of the month.
- b) The RA listed some of the issues including Bradfield Way and the dead trees, the need for traffic calming on Highfield Lane and the narrow roads on the estate. The Chair and Clerk invited the RA to a separate meeting to discuss the list.

100.20 Waverley Events Team

Update on future events.

- a) Leesa Tingay-Pryce is liaising with Voluntary Action Rotherham to look at funding for events after the pandemic. She mentioned the funds raised by a resident for running 49miles which will be used for children's activities

101.20 NALC code of conduct consultation;

- a) to agree to respond on behalf of WCC or individually. **Resolved:** the WCC do not wish to comment on the consultation.

102.20 Finance Matters:

- a) To receive an update on the online bank account – Cllr Narra's forms need to be countersigned and sent off.
- b) To agree to another signatory to the accounts - Cllr Ross to complete the forms to become a signatory.

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- c) To monitor the budget against income and expenditure.
WCC received an additional £21 from AMP, for an overpayment. We have spent £15.6% of budget by the end of month 3.
- d) To approve the bank reconciliation to 30 June 2020
Resolved: the bank reconciliation to 30 June is approved: **Carried**
- e) To approve payment of invoices presented.
Resolved: the payments are approved: **Carried**
- f) Update on IA – the papers are with IA, who has already started looking through the documents, e-files and website. The IA will send a final report and sign-off on part of the AGAR. It will need to be signed off by WCC before 31 July. The Chair will be calling for an ExtraOrdinary meeting.

103.20 Brinsworth and Catcliffe Community Chest 20/21 launched

- a) To agree promotion to Waverley residents
Resolved: the Clerk will add to website and Facebook pages: **Carried**
- b) To decide if a bid should be made and what for?
Resolved: Councillors will present ideas and costings at the next meetings for discussion: **Carried**

104.20 To discuss and agree whether to support the Bike Track project.

Resolved: Following on from the June meeting and the briefing on Monday 22 June, the WCC agree to send a letter of support for the project. **Carried**

105.20 To receive a proposal on the dog park project by Cllr Venkanna - postponed until the next meeting.

106.20 To discuss the Traffic Order Regulation consultation

Resolved: the Clerk will write supporting, RMBC's proposal to introduce a package of traffic regulation orders to regulate parking around the WJA. **Carried**

107.20 To receive an update on the Community Building and Highwall Park project.

A few WCC members attended a briefing from Harworth and Well Rotherham about the projects. Cllr Ross summarized the discussions. **Resolved:** Clerk to raise profile of three project questionnaire through the website and facebook page. **Carried**

108.20 To agree any training needs

No training was requested.

109.20 Pensions scheme

Resolved: That under Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972. **Carried**

110.20 To agree items for inclusion on the agenda of the next meeting

- a) It was agreed that the Extraordinary meeting would be held on 15 July.

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The next WCC ordinary meeting will be held on Wednesday5 August 2020

The meeting closed at 20:13

Signed

Chair