

## PARTNEY AND DALBY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the **Parish Council Meeting** held on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2021 via Zoom. 8:00pm.

**Present:** Cllr J Boulton (Chair) Cllr J Oliver  
 Cllr N Blanchard Cllr A Ratcliffe  
 Cllr B Dawson Cllr E Middleton  
 Cllr D Morris Cllr S Sargeant  
 Cllr L Sharp

Staff present: Sophie Potter (Parish Clerk)

### ACTION

<p><b>1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b>            Apologies for absence were none.</p>	
<p><b>2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</b>            Cllr Boulton had to declare an interest as an agent for various clients on the Viking Link.</p>	
<p><b>3. APPROVE MINUTES</b>            The minutes were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman (pages 241 – 242).</p>	
<p><b>4. MATTERS ARISING</b></p> <p><b>Gates at Dalby Church</b> – The formal complaint has been submitted. This has been acknowledged and sent onto another department. The Clerk is to ask for an indication on date as to when we can expect an answer.</p> <p><b>Verges in the Village</b> – Carl Valentine is currently doing the trimming for us as he goes around the village. He has not spent his £200 budget yet and will invoice us when he does. There have been various comments of how much better they look.</p> <p><b>Cemetery Hedge</b> – Ian Leverton has done a very good job. They are very neat. Charged us £70.00 plus VAT. As a council we feel we need one person to take on the contract of doing all the hedges in the village.</p> <p><b>New bins</b> – The application has gone through and they are now on the list to be instated once all the new bins arrive. The current bins in the village are all full and have been reported.</p> <p><b>Village Gates</b> – Cllr Sargeant has asked Cllr Grover for some information on where Hagwortingham purchased their's from. There could also be a grant available for them which Cllr Grover is looking into. It is believed they will be more effective if they are doubled with red tarmac. It was mentioned about putting it in the parish newsletter asking for residents' opinions on it. We are looking at around £400 to £500 per gate. We need to know the lifespan of them. This will go on the agenda again for the next meeting.</p> <p><b>Village Hall Car Park</b> – Cllr Boulton has spoken to the Developer (Rob Myers) and the car park and footpath still belong to Mr G. Avison. They are keen to get them handed over. Cllr Boulton has spoken with Tinn Criddle regarding being our solicitor for this matter and they will charge £400 plus disbursements plus VAT per asset. As a Council we want to make it as easy as we can. According to the Section 106 both assets will belong to the Parish Council. We feel this is the step to take and then put a written agreement in place between us and the Village Hall for the car park and have peppercorn rent. What are our responsibilities? Do we have to have insurance?</p> <p><b>Defibrillator</b> – Lives has been contacted. Contract to be maintained.</p> <p><b>Chapel Lane</b> – The road needs to be repaired before the development has finished. County Council has put some surfacing down but it won't last.</p> <p><b>Village Signs</b> – These are now back from the Company and are awaiting to be put back on. Cllr Oliver says they look really good. They look like they are brand new and not been refurbished. Cllr Ratcliffe has had to sort some new clips. Planters look fantastic. We need a budget on what to spend on plants for in the planters. Mick Longmate is to be asked for some kind of reduced rate.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>SS</p> <p>JB</p> <p>JB</p> <p>JO</p>
<p><b>5. PLANNING MATTERS</b>  <b>Viking Link</b> – As a Council we cannot see how this affects us. It is all in an advanced</p>	

<p>stage albeit in the parish of Dalby. Archaeological digs are already taking place. We have no comments to make.  <b>Ian Oliver</b> – comments have been submitted to support the application.</p>	
<p><b>6. FINANCIAL MATTERS</b>  The financial information was circulated and explained at the meeting by the Clerk. In the current account the balance was £3,160.03 and in the savings account we have £9,742.80. A screenshot of the online banking page is to be taken to the Chairman by the Clerk for checking.  <b>Payments for approval</b>  Victory Hall Donation £250.00 Proposed by Cllr Dawson and seconded by Cllr Sargeant  Victory Hall Rent £150.00 Proposed by Cllr Dawson and seconded by Cllr Sargeant  Derek Morris for planter materials £253.31 (this is to be taken out of Covid grant)  Parish Clerk wages £287.92  LALC membership £84.32 (not to be paid until after 1 April)</p> <p>The Broadband grant covers us until October 2021. This is to be reviewed and possibly look at the Village Hall paying half.</p> <p>The Parish Clerk hourly rate needs to be reviewed and put on the next agenda.</p>	
<p><b>7. CORRESPONDENCE</b>  The little bungalow next to the Village Hall car park (Mulberry Cottage) have sent a letter to the Council with their concerns. They are after a bigger fence being put up for privacy and safety. The developers (Robert Myers) spoke to these residents before this development started about having a fence put up. They gave the response that they didn't want one. As a Council we feel this is not our responsibility especially as they declined it the first time. Cllr Boulton has asked the Developer to go and speak to them again and remake the offer. Will this become our responsibility? It may do but depends on what the deeds say. Cllr Boulton to speak to the Developer at the end of the week and make a response to the Homeowners.  <b>Notice Boards</b> – There are 3 notice boards that we can use as a Council. All the pictures were sent round on email to all the Councillors before the meeting. It will be very expensive for us to purchase another one. The suggestion was made to move the one out of the bus shelter and put on the side of the Victory Hall. Cllr Morris is going to have a look on behalf of the Council.</p>	<p>JB</p> <p>DM</p>
<p><b>8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS</b>  Carl Valentine has cut the grass all around the benches in the village. The original budget of £200 has nearly been used. It was agreed that Carl is doing a good job and therefore, he is to be given another £200 and then we will review the situation.</p>	<p>NB</p>
<p><b>9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING</b>  The next meeting will be on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2021, 7.30pm. This is also the AGM.</p>	