Minutes of the Meeting of Ashby Woulds Town Council held at Moira Village Hall on Monday, 12th February 2024 at 7.00 pm

Present: Cllrs L Ordish (in the Chair), D Canner, P McCaffrey, P Thomas, E Shephard, **Officers**: A Robinson (Town Clerk)

Also Present: District Cllr D Cooper, District Cllr A Woodman, Craig Smith (Prospective Parliamentary Candidate) 1 Member of Public

19 APOLOGIES

Cllr C Griffin, Cllr J Perry, Cllr T Temple, Cty Cllr R Ashman.

20 DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

None.

21 PUBLIC QUESTION SESSION

Craig Smith introduced himself as a prospective parliamentary candidate and confirmed his intention to help town and parish councils and attend their meetings.

22 POLICE MATTERS

Inspector Steve Burge appointed as the new Neighbourhood Policing Commander for Coalville. **Resolved:** Letter to be sent to Inspector Burge.

Cllr McCaffrey reported on a noisy motorbike and advised the police are aware and keeping an eye on it.

23 MINUTES (Appendix A)

<u>Resolved</u>: Minutes of the Meetings held on 8th January and 22nd January were approved and signed as a true record.

24 CLERK'S REPORT (Appendix B)

The Clerk updated the meeting on ongoing matters.

- Albert Village Speedwatch. Application submitted. Co-ordinator appointed.
- Swarco laptop delivered ready for training.
- Joint Burial Committee. Oakthorpe, Donisthorpe and Acresford PC has not received the external auditor report for the 2022/2023 AGAR. Meeting to be held to discuss impact on 2023/2024 accounts.

25 CORRESPONDENCE (Appendix C)

Correspondence received since the last meeting was summarised and discussed where appropriate.

- Local Plan. Members invited to attend local plan information sessions being held locally.
- LCC Budget Briefing. Webinar 13th February 12noon.
- Spring Cottage. Unauthorised signage reported to enforcement officers.

26 COMMUNICATIONS

Cllr McCaffrey reported on meeting held on 18th January. Article published in latest edition of the Village Breeze. National Forest Company is representing their masterplan and will be invited to attend a public meeting similar to before.

26.1 From 1st April website will be provided by Cuttlefish Media who have taken over 2Commune. No changes to service and will be able offer upgraded website at no additional cost. **26.2** Nominations invited for the Nursing Cup and Jubilee Award. Nominations to be submitted to the clerk.

27 TRANSPORT

Training will be organised now the laptop has arrived. Cllr McCaffrey presented data from the cameras before and after the road markings were done. Data shows a reduction of 3-4 mph and proves road markings do work. AWTC would like to install road markings on Rawdon Road, Measham Road and either side of the bridge on Ashby Road and is prepared to cover the costs. LCC advice has been requested. Mr Smith advised he was also a county councillor and would pass this on adding dragon teeth cost approx £4k.

28 FINANCE (APPENDIX D)

- **28.1** The Clerk confirmed the council's finances remain in a strong position. January Bank Reconciliation to be circulated.
- 28.2 Policies presented for review.
 <u>Resolved:</u> Asset register reviewed and approved as updated.
 <u>Resolved:</u> Risk Assessment Policy reviewed and approved as updated.
 28.3 Grant application received from Moira Miners Welfare Group for fundamental data application for fundamental
- **28.3** Grant application received from Moira Miners Welfare Group for funding towards an extractor fan.
 - Resolved: Grant for £100 approved under s137 Local Government Act.
- **28.4 Resolved:** That the payments list for February be approved. A copy will be attached to the official copy of the minutes.

29 RECREATION GROUNDS AND LEISURE FACILITIES

- **29.1** Monthly inspection reports presented. Moira Village Hall entrance gates damaged beyond repair exactly 2 years from previous incident. Replacement with a different barrier discussed. Quotations to be obtained.
- **29.2** Plaque to commemorate the Kings Coronation installed at Kingswood Spinney by grounds maintenance contractor.
- 29.3 29.3.1 Moira Village Hall Office Relocation

Preliminary work has started. Windows, doors and shutters have been ordered. Lead time 6-8 weeks for items.

29.3.2 Proposed New Scout Hut Building

Planning permission granted. Group are now looking at grant applications. National Lottery require details of lease terms and evidence of good security. Members agreed legal advice should be sought regarding a reasonable length of term. It was noted there are conditions attached to the planning permission restricting use of the site. **29.3.3** Holly Close Recreation Ground

Maintenance work required to thin out woodland and clear pathways. Prices to undertake this type of work presented and discussed. Further advice to be sought and a plan agreed. Albert Village and Spring Cottage could also benefit from a similar plan of action.

30 PLANNING

30.1 Consultations

23/00637/FUL – Forest Lodge 2 Shortheath Road, Moira

Change of use to a dwelling, erection of detached garage and 1. No additional dwelling on land to the rear with non-mains cesspool and associated works.

Installation of external wall insulation to nos. 58, 60, 62, 64, 66 and 68 District Cllr Cooper confirmed comments have been submitted to the case officer and will be chased up.

24/00126/TPO – Glade House Junction of Bath Yard and Bath Lane Moira Felling of no.1 elm tree – Protected by an Area Woodland Tree Preservation Order TPO/200

Decision: No objection.

24/00050/PNH - 47 Measham Road, Moira

Erection of single storey rear extension measuring 8.0 metres in length from the rear wall of the original dwellinghouse, with a maximum eaves height of 2.75 metres and maximum overall height of 3.29 metres (Prior Approval) **Decision:** No objection.

18/01127/FUL and 23/00164/FUL – Whitney Park, Shortheath Road, Moira District Cllr Cooper updated members on the current position. Lodges should not have been put up for sale as planning permission has not yet been granted. NWLDC is awaiting signed documents from the applicant's agent. Bigger issue regarding allocation of traveller sites and implications noted.

24/00122/CLP – Bath Yard Moira

Certificate of Lawful Proposed Use for replacement windows and doors and internal alterations to volunteer building **Decision:** No objection.

24/00011/CLP – Hanging Hill Farm Rawdon Road Moira

Certificate of Lawful Proposed Use for the use of land for a tree nursery as well as 2no Polytunnels, 3no Growing beds, a compost bay, hardstanding turning and delivery area, fencing and a single shipping container for the storage of tools and materials. **Decision:** No objection.

30.2 Permissions

23/01520/FUL – Moira Village Hall Ashby Road Moira Erection of a new detached scout hut building (to replace a temporary building approved under 20/00467/VCI)

23/01505/FUL - 120 Ashby Road, Moira

Erection of single storey front and rear extensions. Alterations to and replacement of windows, roof lights to rear and rendering of property

23/01481/FUL - The Woodlands, Bath Lane, Moira

Erection of a detached dwelling (Revised scheme to 14/00417/FUL)

23/01616/CLP - Land at Hepworth Road Woodville

Certificate of lawful proposed development application to establish that outline planning permission 16/01191/OUTM has been lawfully commenced before the expiry date of the 23rd December 2023 and therefore the remainder of the development approved under outline permission 16/01191/OUTM and reserved matters permission 21/01380/REMM can be lawfully undertaken and completed after 23rd December 2023, as the permission will remain extant

31 DISTRICT COUNCIL

District Cllr Woodman reported on current matters.

- Woulds Court raised with Head of Housing. Litterpick done but want it to be on a rolling programme.
- Chasing up Willow Care Village agents to set up a meeting
- Housing Department. Changes made to improve complaints procedures. Additional funding allocated to catch up on repairs outstanding due to Covid.

Cllr McCaffrey reported on Norris Hill issues.

- Footpath along the former Ashby Woulds pub is now two thirds obstructed by the fencing which is in a poor condition.
- Former garages at Coronation Avenue now used as car park. What are NWLDC plans for the site and could the area be used as a playground.
- Fencing removed but bungalow not yet replaced. Items now out on grass.
- NWLDC scrutiny were looking at access routes. Any access to Hicks Lodge included? Local Plan includes land at Norberry Farm. AWTC would like to include access via Maybury Wood to the village hall site.
- CCTV. Awaiting a response from supplier regarding data costs.

District Cllr Woodman confirmed he would refer matters and request updates where necessary.

32 COUNTY COUNCIL

Cllr McCaffrey asked if all street lighting should be off between midnight and 6am as a number of lights appear to be on all night. Mr Smith advised not all lights are off as some are kept on for particular safety reasons e.g. junctions. All lights can now be adjusted and by dimming lights by 20% has resulted in a 1.5million saving.

33 MOIRA YOUTH CLUB

Deed of surrender has been completed and draft heads of terms for new lease reviewed. This is good news and things are moving forward.

34 OUTSIDE BODY REPRESENTATIVES

Cllr Thomas reported on a meeting of Moira Village Hall Trustees. No item to note.

35 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting will be Monday 11th March 2024 and will commence at 7pm at Moira Village Hall.

Meeting ended at 8.27pm.