**AYLMERTON PARISH COUNCIL**

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

**MINUTES**

**18th February 2021**

Attendees: Councillors: S Kelsey (Chairman) R Fuke, M Williams. In attendance, the Clerk, Patsy Adams.

The Meeting began at 6.32pm and was held remotely by ZOOM

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.** Cllrs: J Lynes. R Bacon. The Chairman informed the meeting that Cllr Tom Warner has resigned.
2. **Declarations of interest and requests for dispensations.** None
3. **MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD REMOTELY ON 8th December 2020–** Approved
4. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**. **The public participation session lasts for 2 minutes per person** None
5. **COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLOR & CONSTABULARY REPORTS.** None
6. **GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE**
   1. **To receive an update from the Clerk on the current financial position and the budget monitor (Bank Statements previously circulated)** On a proposal from Cllr Williams members voted to accept the financial information received.
   2. **To consider the Receipts and Payments for the months of December 2020 and January 2021 2020 .** After consideration and a proposal from Cllr Williams, Members voted to accept the information presented

**7 To consider moving the May meeting from 24th MAY 2021 to Tuesday 4th MAY at 7pm.**

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| Notes extracted from correspondence form the County Officer - The regulations that allow local authorities to hold meetings remotely only extend to 7 May 2021. There are concerns, especially given the recent emergence of new variants of the virus that this timeframe may be inadequate. Contacting local MPS to outline the importance of extending remote meeting regulations seems timely and fits with current national lobbying by National ALC, SLCC and the LGA  to enable us to continue to operate safely by meeting virtually from May onwards. |

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Members agreed to move the date but the time will not be convenient. It was agreed that the Clerk would suggest another time and confirm with the Members in due course.

1. **To receive an update from the Clerk about Cloud Training.** The Clerk informed the Members that she will be taking part in a Cloud training session at the beginning of March
2. **To consider the condition of the Parish Council Noticeboard on the Village Hall Wall and to consider the purchase of a new noticeboard for Beechwood Avenue (and consent from the Landowner to do the same).** Members agreed that the noticeboard on the Village Hall wall does need to be replaced. The Clerk was instructed to speak to Cllr Lynes (in his capacity as Village Hall Committee Member). Cllr Williams proposed that a noticeboard in Beechwood Avenue would be a good idea and this was agreed. Cllr Fuke offered to speak to the landowner and report back at the next meeting. Cllr Kelsey (chairman) offered to speak to a local craftsman about the cost of a replacement.
3. **UPDATE ON ITEMS FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES:**

**The Village Pond**. The Clerk informed the Members that she has discovered the contact details of the owner of the pond. On a proposal by Cllr Kelsey (Chairman) and approved by the Members the Clerk was instructed to conduct a land registry search to confirm this information and the ownership of the field adjacent to the pond. Once concluded the Clerk was instructed to contact the landowner to confirm details of the licensing agreement.

Cllr Kelsey updated the meeting on the work that has been carried out at the pond:

* Cllr Bacon has installed security fencing and mesh has been attached to the boardwalk
* Cllr Bacon has cleared the blocked drain running from the pond under the road.
* Much of the surrounding debris has been cleared
* Hazard Warning Signage has been erected
* The damaged telegraph pole has been replaced
* Highways have cleared the drain on the opposite side of the road.

**Highways issues addressed since the last meeting.** Cllr Fuke has alerted Highways to the speed sign fault and, as a result, the equipment has been removed for repairs.

**To discuss the problem of speeding through the village**. Members agreed that speeding is an issue. Cllr Kelsey (Chairman) informed the meeting that he had noted that the vehicles of a particular company are regularly travelling at speed through the village. He has contacted the company and this particular problem has been resolved.

1. **Planning** To consider new planning applications or decisions received from the Planning Authority. Cllr Kelsey expressed his disappointment that the recycling yard has been given permission to park a sludge gulper on site and expressed concern that this may be the beginning of a trend.
2. **Allotments - To agree to a separate meeting to discuss the Allotments**. It was agreed that a meeting to discuss the allotments would be arranged for Tuesday 16th March.
3. **To consider matters that have arisen since the publication of the agenda**. None
4. **The date of the next meeting - Allotment meeting – 16th March. The next General Meeting will be on 20th April 2021 at 6.30pm**
5. **To close the meeting**. There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 7.51pm