

MINUTES of an extraordinary meeting of the PARISH COUNCIL

held on Monday 27th July 2020 at 7pm using a remote access platform.

PRESENT:

Councillor	Phil Maude (Chair)		
Councillors	Joanne Austin	Dan Greenwood	Stella Walsh
	Howard Bedford	Claire Hassell	Jaqueline Ward
	Karen Dales	Graham Slater	David Young
	Glyn Davies		

In attendance: The Clerk.

1 APOLOGIES. Cllr. Remmer.

2 DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST. None.

3.1 MOUNT SAINT MARYS FOOTBALL CLUB LICENCE. The previous meeting had agreed to charge the football £100 a year for the licence but this had not considered the additional insurance that the Parish Council (PC) would be required to pay to ensure cover of the changing rooms which was £79.32. Assurances were sought that the increased insurance premium was fixed for three years and concern was expressed that other matters might come to light. It was then **resolved** to review the terms offered to Mount Saint Marys for their ten-year licence of the changing rooms in light of the additional insurance and the report circulated by the Chair and to agree a revised annual fee of £180. The football club had already confirmed their willingness to accept the revised fee and although one of the trustees was unavailable for a week, would sign the revised agreement as soon as possible following his return.

3.2 DECISION OF THE LANDLORD OF THE NEW INN NOT TO PROCEED WITH A BEER GARDEN ON JACK HEAPS FIELD. It was noted that the landlord of the New Inn public house had spoken to Cllr. Bedford and to the Clerk and advised them that he was no longer considering using a part of Jack Heaps Field as a beer garden. It was proposed to note the decision of the landlord of the New Inn public house not to proceed with a beer garden on Jack Heaps Field and notify objectors accordingly. It was **resolved** to agree an amendment to the above proposal which excluded notification of the objectors. Objections would be treated as correspondence and the Clerk would respond as appropriate.

3.3 TO CONSIDER WHETHER TO OPEN BARWICK PLAYGROUND. Cllr. Ward gave a report having visited playgrounds in neighbouring parishes and a Leeds City Council (LCC) playground at Temple Newsam. The latter had a hand sanitiser station and signage, those operated by Parish Councils had no hand sanitiser stations and only one had notices on display. LCC have around two-hundred playgrounds and only those at Lotherton, Roundhay Park and Temple Newsam are open, these have staff in attendance or nearby. Scholes playground remains closed and there was a view that residents might not recognise that the one at Scholes belongs to LCC and opening the one at Barwick when the one at Scholes remains closed might be perceived unfavourably. Government guidelines for opening playgrounds have stringent requirements including attendance and supervision at the playgrounds which is why only the major playgrounds in Leeds are open. It was also noted that the PC could be fined for non-compliance with government guidelines. Although it appeared some other nearby Parish Councils had opened their playgrounds it was not clear these were operating in accordance with government guidelines. It was **resolved** to keep the playground closed at present and to reopen when Leeds City Council open the playground at Scholes and to publish relevant information on the website and on Social Media.

4 DATE OF NEXT MEETING. Monday 7th September 2020 at 7pm.

Signed

Chair
7th September 2020