

## Of a meeting of Dean and Shelton Parish Council held in Dalton Hall, Upper Dean on Wednesday, 4 August 2021

### Present at the Meeting:

**Councillors:** Cllr R Ward (Chairman), Cllr S Brett, Cllr P Bird Cllr J Gamblen, Cllr M Pattison, Cllr A Phillips

**In Attendance:** Mr R Grasmeder (Clerk)

### Requests for Information

There were no requests for information

- 1) **Apologies for Absence** – Apologies were received from Cllr C. Pattison due to personal reasons.
- 2) **Disclosures of interest by members (and employees) in items on the agenda** - Cllr Ward declared a local interest in item 5c.
- 3) **Minutes of Meeting 7 July 2021** - With the agreement of all those present the minutes were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
- 4) **Finance:**
  - a) Updates were discussed on:
    - i. the purchase of a laptop for the use of the Clerk – the VAT recovery has been resolved.
    - ii. the provision of adult exercise equipment at Dalton Hall – more information on the terms of the grant is required. BBC will be contacted for information. A meeting will be arranged with the provider.
    - iii. the provision of additional tree planting at Dalton Hall – no discussion.
    - iv. the provision of a litter bin at BOAT D26 – BBC advised that a survey shows insufficient need to warrant expenditure. Cllr Ward will make contact.
  - b) Accounts for Payment – the following payments were approved:
    - i. R Grasmeder - Clerk salary and expenses 3 months to 30 June 2021 - £514.76 (*LGA1972 S.112*)
    - ii. HMRC – Income tax payment re (i) £206.80 (*LGA1972 S.112*)
- 5) **Planning:**
  - (a) The Bedford Local Plan 2040, Draft Plan Consultation was discussed. **It was resolved** that comments would be made on affordable housing, infrastructure requirements and brownfield sites.
  - (b) **Application 21/01947/FUL** – Single storey rear/side extension – Bramblings, High Street, Upper Dean was discussed. **It was resolved** that the Council had no comment.
  - (c) **Application 21/02033/LDE** – Certificate of Lawful Use to confirm lawful commencement of all works permitted under TP/93/1382 & TP/93/1383/LB by the completion of the eyebrow window extension - Chestnut Farm Kimbolton Road Lower Dean. **It was resolved** that the Council had no objection to the application but required confirmation that current Building Control requirements would be met.

- 6) **Correspondence** - A communication regarding footpaths to the North West of Upper Dean was discussed and the Clerk was asked to arrange a meeting with Allison Nelson, the Rights of Way officer at Bedford Borough Council. This meeting would cover a RoW clearance group. Cllr Phillips will follow up the communication .
- 7) **Speeding and Police Matters** – BBC now advises further delay due to staff shortage in the reduction of speed limits at Shelton Road and the High Street, near the five new properties. Cllr Ward will contact the Mayor and local MP.
- 8) **Highways and Drainage** – Nothing to report.
- 9) **Date of Next Meeting:**
  - a) Date for next meeting 1 September 2021 commencing at 7.30pm at Dalton Hall, Upper Dean.
  - b) The Chairman closed the meeting at 20.40.

**Signed by Cllr R Ward (Chairman)**

at the meeting held on 1 September 2021