Quidenham Parish Council

Notes of a Zoom meeting between Peter Lotarius, Chairman and Kate Lloyd, Clerk on the 6th of January 2021 plus an update from the Clerk.

**The Garnier Hall**

Pl reported: November/December saw the project for the new entry ramp to the hall and the restoration of the car park begun. These are both 75% complete. However, COVID had delayed the production of bespoke doors and railings. Recent poor weather has also delayed installation. Car Park restoration is to include a Tarmac section in the gateway. However, once again the very poor weather has delayed completion.

In the meantime, the two windows facing the road have been replaced as they were in very poor condition. They look brilliant and that's one more off the list.

Because of the ongoing situation regarding COVID, the Garnier Hall received a grant of £1,300.00 from the Government. This was fortuitous as it just about covered the annual insurance. As COVID is ongoing and the Garnier Hall is eligible for grants we expect to see further modest amounts depending on the length of the disruption. However, we are not expecting the hall to open until at least April.

**Defibrillators**

Kate Midgeley at Wilby is taking this forward. The 'phone box still needs a supply of electricity.

The 'phone box at Eccles has now got a supply of electricity.

**Humpback bridge.**

A splendid new bridge is in the last stages of construction and we await the opening date with great anticipation. Stephen Askew is keeping us up to date.

**Grass cutting.**

The feedback from all three villages has been good and so the consensus is to retain the services of CGM for a further year. We await their contract price.

**Updates from the Clerk 15th January 2021**

**Finances.**

* The balance at Barclay's at today's date is £15,952.85.
* Cheques issued since the informal notes of the 11th of November 2021:

KL salary month 6: £210.20; Payroll services: £24.00; HMRC KL's tax month 7: £65.60;

PL for flora decorations: £150.00; Grass cutting: £264.68; KL salary month 7:£262.90;

KL salary month 8: £140.00; HMRC KL's tax month 8: £35.20; Payroll services: £24.00;

Glasdon UK Ltd: £2522.33.

The VAT claim for the 30th September which was £187.89p was received in November.

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Cont'd : Zoom meeting PL and KL plus Clerk's updates. 6.1.2021

**Finances continued:**

* Precept. KL has completed and forwarded to Breckland District Council the request form for the 2021-2022 Precept in the amount of £11,193.00. This is a 3% increase on the 2020-2021 precept amount.
* VAT claim at the 31st December 2020 for £553.67 has been sent to HMRC.

**Planning.** KL will have forwarded you details of these as they've arisen.

The application to construct an agricultural feed mill at Chalk Lane, Snetterton 3PL/2020/0780/F remains undecided. Pl has found that the company looked at 15 sites and this one has been thought to be the most suitable. There is no decision at present.

**3PL/2020/1098/change of use -** Refused

**3PL/2020/1216/F**- Refused see also previous application 3PL/2020/0662/F - Refused.

**3PL/2020/1381/O** - Undecided

**3PL/2020/1390/F** - Undecided

**3PL/2020/1096/F** - Withdrawn

**3PL/2020/1037/HOU** - Approved

**3PL/2020/0763/VAR** - Approved

**3PL/2020/0896/HOU** - Approved

**3PL/2021/0023/HOU** - Undecided

**Governance.**

KL will send all councillors the Data Protection Policy and Privacy Policy for approval.

The Standing Orders and Financial Regulations will require annual approval too. I'll attach them to these notes. I realise this takes time but it is necessary.

**Next Council Meeting.**

Peter and I will be having another Zoom meeting on Monday the 18th and from that come back to you with the form the next Council meeting will take. It will be on the 8th of February and at present looks as if it will be a Zoom meeting. I'll send out the usual Agenda and would like to get the above Governance approved and approve an Internal Auditor for the 2020/21

AGAR (Annual Governance and Accounts Return).

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