**Minutes of a meeting of the Quidenham Parish Council**

**held on the 11th of October 2021 in the Garnier Hall, Eccles.**

Those present: David Wright (DW) Chairman; David Hunt (DH); David Cumming;

Heather Doig (HD); Beverley Lee (BL); Kate Lloyd (KL) Clerk.

**1.** Apologies for absence. Apologies were received from Sarah Suggitt, District Councillor; Peter Lotarius and Simon Lee.

**2.** Declarations of Interest. There were no declarations of interest to be added to those declared at the last elections or by Councillors co-opted since then.

**3.** Minutes of the last meeting. The Minutes of the meeting of the 13th of September 2021 were signed by the Chairman as a true record.

**4**. Matters arising from the Minutes. **Action**

* + **Wilby Defibrillator** The electricity supply to the ‘phone box has now been

Installed.

* + **Garnier Hall Disabled Access and Fire Door**. KL has emailed the overseer of the works and DH has spoken to him. The hold up is with the builder. DW will raise the issue at the A.G.M. of the Garnier Hall Trust and will advise that should the work remain uncompleted then in the interests of Health and Safety the Hall will have to be closed until the work is completed. The Council agreed that they may withdraw their grant of £6,000 due to the long delay. **DW**
  + **50/50 Highways Partnership Grant.** DW reported that the cost to install permanent speed monitors in Quidenham village would be £4,270 plus £2,000 maintenance costs for each monitor. This unfortunately makes it an unrealistic proposition. Therefore it was agreed to apply for a 50% grant for two Sam2s provided someone in the village would be prepared to take on the task of monitoring them. KL to speak to the Quidenham Village Society in this regard. **KL**
  + **Magnet inserts for the notice boards.** KL has sourced a supplier.
  + **Proposed cycleway.** Kl has not yet spoken to Steve Scowen. DW reported that

there may be difficulties in accessing the whole of the route.

**5. Finance. 5.1** The status of the current account at Messrs. Barclay's at today's date is

£19,348.63 this includes the second and final instalment of the precept in the sum of £5,596.50.

**5.2.** Cheques signed since the last meeting: CGM for grass cutting £272.57, HMRC KL’s tax: month 6: £47.20 and KL’s salary month 6 £189.05.

**5.3**. Cheques to be signed: Mandrake (U.K.) ltd. Payroll services: £26.40 and CGM for grass cutting £272.57.

After all deductions the amount remaining is £18,862.17 of which grants to the Garnier Hall and Wilby are held in reserve. These are £6000.00 and £250.00 respectively.

**5.4**. A VAT claimof £727.19p VAT for the period 1st July 2021 to 30th September 2021 has been sent to HMRC.

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**6. Planning. Action**

* **TRE/2021/0152/TCA** A Tree Preservation Order has now been placed on this

tree.

* **3PL/2020/0780/F** Construction of Agri Feed Mill. KL to enquire of Snetterton Parish Council if an appeal has yet been lodged.
* **3PL/2021/0307/F Anvil Stud** Construction of four holiday cabins. Despite not having yet been given permission to build the applicant has gone ahead with the work.DW will write to the Enforcement Officer to express the Council’s dismay at this flagrant beach of planning law.  **DW**
* **3PL/2020/0043/F.** A retrospective application details of which can be found on the Breckland District Council Planning site and on which no decision has been taken.

**8. Chairman's Report and comments..** Several items have already been covered earlier in the Minutes.The Chairman distributed copies of a draft Planning Protocol for Councillors to study and bring their comments on it to the next meeting. He and two other Councillors will be erecting the ‘gateways’ in Eccles on the 23rd of October. He asked the Clerk to obtain two quotes for the work to be done in painting the telephone box in Eccles. He felt the Council should know to whom the development land on Station Road, which has recently been sold, belongs. DC offered to find out. **All Councillors. KL. DC.**

**9. District Councillor's Report**. No report has yet been received.

**10. Clerk's Report.** The Clerk was unable to attend the SNAP meeting due to illness and has requested that she be sent a copy of the Minutes when they are distributed. There has been no feedback from the request to the police to contact the Eccles resident who had been experiencing vandalism and harassment. KL has contacted Wm. Brown Estate Agents asking that the owners of the land in Station Road remove the fly tipped material and cut back the hedge between their land and Station Road. As she has been unable to discover to whom the track surrounding Wilby Green belongs she has sent a request to Highways to repair the pothole on the track next to the highway. It has now been inspected and will be repaired in due course.

**11**. Correspondence. No correspondence other than electronic mail had been received.

**12. Meeting open to the Public**. No members of the public were present

**13. Any other business.** A document entitled Points of Light had been received and DC believed it contained much that could be acted upon by the Council. In particular he cited the opportunity to claim community grants which would enable the Council to tackle climate change issues.

**14. Date of the next meeting.** This will take place on the 8th of November 2021 in the Garnier Hall at 7.30 p.m.

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