

MINUTES of the Dunham Massey Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 9 February 2021 at 8pm held remotely

PRESENT:

Councillors:

Richard Abbott (Chair), Philippa Pennington, Caroline Royle, David Priestner, James Bushell

In ATTENDANCE

Stuart Robinson (National Trust) Krista Williams (Parish Clerk), Claire Churchill (Trafford)

Electors:

None present

1. Apologies for absence:

Apologies were received from Thomas Corneill, Karen Barclay (Trafford), Sean Anstee (Trafford)

2. Minutes:

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council on 12 January 2021 were approved as correct records and signed by the Chair.

3. To consider matters arising (not covered elsewhere):

The attached action log provides detailed information on new, ongoing and completed actions. Ongoing actions from previous meeting:

- Litter: The National Trust NT agreed to fund half of the cost of the trio bin and would like to be sent an invoice directly

New Action: RA to email Amey to order a trio bin and request that they send separate invoices to the NT and PC to cover payment

- Five Corners Site

New Action: JB to provide a detailed breakdown of the cost of procuring and erecting bollards at the Five Corners Site

- Emergency Active Travel Developments: RA and SA wrote separately to Trafford solicitors, both are waiting for a response
- Notice board maintenance: RA is awaiting a response from Rev. Kevin Johnson
- Maintenance work: On hold until weather conditions improve
- Village Hall Committee Holding Trustee request: RA to contact another firm as he has received no response to his email
- Cat 5 Bus re-route: CC had received an update from the Highways Manager. Highways met with Warrington's Own Buses who are unwilling to reverse their decision about the re-route. The decision results from their legal team's advice who

are concerned about litigation should an accident occur. In the case of no resolution Transport for Greater Manchester will intervene to hear all parties' positions.

New Action: CC to provide contact details of a named representative for Transport for Greater Manchester

4. To consider a Community Engagement proposal

The proposal (previously circulated) initiated from members decision that future plans should derive from members consensus and understanding of the purpose of the Parish Council. This should drive engagement with local stakeholders.

KW discussed the proposal with Anna Jones South Trafford Engagement Officer. Her team has a strategic approach to supporting communities and the proposal aligns to this. Anna said this is an exciting piece of work and would welcome the opportunity to become involved by facilitating the workshop which conforms with her work portfolio.

New Action: KW to contact Anna Jones, South Trafford Engagement Officer, to plan implementation of the proposal

New Action: KW to include Community Engagement as a March agenda item

5. To receive questions and observations from Dunham Massey Local Government electors (including reports on Highways matters)

Nothing to note.

6. To consider grounds maintenance work for the coming month

New Action: RA to ask if more can be done to improve safety for pedestrians close to the bridge on Paddock Lane

7. To receive a report from the Village Hall Committee

Nothing to note.

8. To consider recent planning applications relating to Dunham Massey

Planning applications outlined below were considered with no objections.

1. Works to trees within Dunham Town Conservation Area, the felling of 1 Ash, due to colonisation of Inocetus Hispidus | School House School Lane WA14 4SE
2. Works to trees within Dunham Woodhouses Conservation Area, 25% crown reduction of 1 apple tree | The Hollies Station Road Dunham Massey WA14 5SQ
3. Erection of single storey rear extension and alterations to roof shape from hipped to gable to accommodate loft conversion with rear dormers and roof lights to front of property. | 6 Paddock Lane Dunham Massey WA14 5RP

Barns Lane plans have been revised. Warburton Parish Council are satisfied with the plans to only build 7 houses.

Redrow Development appeal was lost, their application was refused.

Trafford Local Plan is out for consultation www.trafford.gov.uk/local-plan-consultations

New Action: All to review plans and send comments to RA

New Action: RA to draft response and send to Trafford

New Action: SR to ask if he can share NT response

9. To consider the financial position 2020/21

The Clerk requested that all agreed spend be completed before the end of the financial year.

10. To approve payments for February

No payments received for approval

11. To consider future plans

Nothing to note.

12. Notices and AOB

Parish Council Newsletter

Members agreed that a scaled down Newsletter should be delivered to residents.

New Action: KW to contact Newsletter copy writers to ask for copy

Utilising Parish Council Notice Board

Bullet points of actions from the previous meeting together with an agenda for the forthcoming meeting will be posted on the notice boards from March.

New Action: KW to bullet points actions from the previous meeting together with an agenda for the forthcoming meeting and post in the notice boards

Annual Meeting

New Action: KW to ask Jackie Weaver for guidance on holding 2021 Annual Assemblies

Flooding

Flooding is a real issue in Dunham Massey affecting the roads and residents' homes:

- Amey sprayed some drains with little impact on relieving floods as they are solid
- Drains are not cleared on a regular basis to prevent flooding
- KB requested that Amey undertake works to prevent / clear blocked drains, but they are presently inundated with work requests

New Action: RA to post on Whatsapp asking residents to check drains and report issues via link to Amey individually

Richard Abbott