Claughton on Brock Parish Council

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held remotely by video link on Tuesday January 12th, 2021 commencing at 7.30pm.

 Those Present Councillor F.J. Fitzherbert-Brockholes – Chairman Councillor R E Eccles Councillor E. Leach Councillor R. Clark Councillor S.M. Dewhurst LCC and Wyre Councillor S. Turner Wyre Councillor E. Webster

J.E. Hallas – Clerk

- Apologies Councillor J. M. Gornall Wyre Councillor E. Webster
- 3. The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 6th October 2020, were resolved by the Council to be a true record.
- 4. Members reports or any issues they may wish to raise.

Councillor Leach declared a personal and prejudicial interest in agenda items 6.2. and 6.3. No other Councillor declared any personal or prejudicial interest in the agenda items for discussion.

- 5. Chairman's, Councillors' and other Reports
 - 5.1. The Clerk informed the meeting that a further letter had been received from the Head of Planning – David Thow on various matters raised with him relating to the continuing Claughton on Brock/ Catterall addresses saga. In the letter David had explained why the LCC S106 documents relating to the Westfield Road development had stated that the location of the development as being in Catterall. This was due to the fact the the owners of the land had registered it with the Land Registry as being Land to the East of the Garstang By-Pass road, Catterall. LCC Legal Department had taken this address from the Title Deeds. After a short discussion the Chairman suggested that we take up this matter in a side meeting with Councillor Turner to establish what further action we might consider taking. The Clerk will copy the relevant correspondence to Councillor Turner and seek to arrange a discussion in the next couple of weeks.
 - 5.2. No major issues were reported at this point in the meeting.
- 6. Items for Discussion and which may need Resolutions.

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6.1. The Clerk confirmed that permission had now been granted for application LCC/2020/0031 – Foggs Farm, Hobbs Lane. Erection of a new building to accommodate production plant and equipment for product manufacturing area and erection of a new roof for wet crumb area.

6.2. Consultation 20/00497/LMAJ – Land East of Brockholes Industrial Estate. Hybrid Planning application (part full/part outline with all matters other than access reserved) for an extension to the existing Brockholes Industrial Estate comprising a development of new floor space for Class B1b, B1c, B2, B8 uses including ancillary Class B1a floor space and also the extension of Brockholes Way to provide access to the extended industrial estate, a new on-site pond, on-site landscaping and associated works. <u>Still Pending Consideration</u>

6.3. Consultation 20/01133/FUL – Installation of 2 Bio Mass boilers and plant within an existing industrial building on the premises of R.E Leach Structural Steelwork Ltd, Brockholes Way. <u>Still Pending Consideration</u>

6.4. Consultation 20/01189/FUL – Demolition of existing building and erection of replacement single storey office extension, timber storage area, formation of new openings and cladding of the front of the building. <u>Still Pending</u> <u>Consideration</u>

7. Finance

7.1. The Council discussed receipts and payments statements for the year ending 2020/21 and resolved to approve the payments made from the account since the last meeting of the Council; these include cheque numbers 000779 to the latest payment cheque number 000792.

7.2. The Council discussed and approved the Current Account reconciliation of the accounts for the year ending 31/3/2021 reconciliation dated 12th January 2021. The Clerk informed the meeting that he estimates the year end cash balance to carry forward should be approximately £6500 pounds.

7.3. The Council discussed and resolved to make a small provision in the budget to be reserved for a possible staff salary review during the year.

7.4. The Council discussed the Annual budget for precept 2021 and the provisions submitted for the coming year by the Clerk in the draft budget distributed to members prior to the meeting. It was agreed that whilst there may be some minor increases in operating costs/charges that only a marginal increase should be added to the amount of our precept raised in 2020 (from $\pounds 17,900$ to $\pounds 18,000$).

8. Other Items for Information and Discussion Only

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8.1. The Clerk provided a brief update on the progress of the B4RN fibre broadband project. He reported that approximately 62 properties in Claughton had now been connected to the network but not all were on service yet. However, the completion of connection to some properties will now be delayed until spring due to the poor condition of fields that are too wet to work on..

8.2. The reopening of Walmsley Lane and the bridge was discussed. Councillor Turner reminded the meeting of LCC's decision which is to repair the embankment and the bridge (cost of approx. £396K.) The exact timing for this is still not published.

8.3.The Clerk raised with Councillor Turner the subject of S106 funding sources and what the procedures are for Parish Council's to bid for a share of any S106 funding that may come about as a result of developments locally. It was agreed to include this in the separate side issues meeting discussed earlier (see item 7.4.).

9. The next meeting date is Tuesday 13 April 2021 at 7.30 pm.

Minutes prepared by: J.E. Hallas (Clerk)

Approved by: F.J. Fitzherbert-Brockholes (Chairman)

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