

DRAYCOTT PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held virtually via ZOOM on Tuesday 8th December 2020 at 7.00pm

Present - Chairman – V Clare, Councillors – R Brown, M Wilson, C Wheatley, T Scott, D Dundas, B Rogerson, K Rose, M Knight, J Fletcher and A Meakin

Police – No

County Council – R Parkinson

Members of the Public – None

Minutes recorded by - Sheena Butcher

Public Speaking – None

189/20 Apologies – None

190/20 Variation of Order of Business – none

191/20 Declaration of Members Interests / Disclosable Pecuniary Interests – none

192/20 Dispensations - none

193/20 Minutes – the minutes of the Planning and Transport Committee and Full Council meeting on 10 October 2020, Recreation and St Chad’s Committee on 23rd November and Finance and General-Purpose Committee on 1st December were approved to be a true and accurate record of the meetings and were signed accordingly by the Chairman

194/20 To receive reports from the:

County Council – Cllr Robert Parkinson

Extra funding to support young people

Extra support for children and young people whose families are affected by substance misuse has been pledged by Derbyshire County Council. The authority is putting an additional £245,000 into [the Space4U project](#) for its vital work in supporting children and young people in Derbyshire affected by someone else’s substance misuse. The funding, over four years, is designed to help reduce the wait for support and is on top of £70,000 a year the County Council already commits to the project, run on its behalf by the UK charity Action for Children.

Volunteers sought to help vulnerable residents

Working in partnership with community volunteer services across the county, Derbyshire County Council is looking for volunteers to help support the work of its Community Response Unit during the coronavirus pandemic and beyond.

The Community Response Unit is for residents with no friends or family to call on who are:

- Self-isolating because either themselves or a member of the household is at risk
- Struggling to meet basic needs because of financial, social or health restrictions
- Pregnant
- Have underlying health conditions
- Aged 70 or over.

Volunteers could be asked to help with food shopping and delivery, collecting and delivering prescriptions, or checking up on people who are isolated with a phone call or online help to prevent loneliness, and checking whether there is anything they need.

'Your Council Your Voice' survey

Residents can have their say on Derbyshire County Council's budget and services in a wide-ranging survey. This year the ['Your Council Your Voice' consultation](#) also asks residents whether the covid-19 pandemic has changed their opinion of the County Council and the services it

provides, and if it has had an impact on their satisfaction with the way the Council runs things. The survey runs until 13th December.

Senior officer leadership model evolves

The changing world of local government -- with Covid, the prospect of devolution and reform, the ongoing financial challenges and the transition out of the European Union – means DCC has to adapt and respond at every level across the organisation. As part of this, the Leader of the Council is proposing to appoint a Managing Executive Director for the next 12 months.

The new role, which is added to an existing Executive Director role, will work alongside three other Executive Directors to extend and develop collective leadership model. This collective leadership model was right for the challenges of 2017, when it was introduced and continues to deliver benefits. Collaboration and partnership will continue to be at the heart of the Council's operating model. A Managing Executive Director, working within and developing this model, will enable DCC to meet the challenges of the post-pandemic era. The Managing Executive Director will be the ultimate accountable officer and will support the Leader to represent the Council locally, regionally and nationally, ensuring Derbyshire has influence at every level, whilst reinforcing the partnership between Cabinet and Senior Officers which is central to the Council's operating model.

The role – which was approved by the Council on 2nd December -- will be a strategic leadership position, working alongside the Council's Leader, to ensure that Derbyshire thrives now and in the future. The Managing Executive Director will set clear strategic direction, drive performance and provide accountability to councillors and residents. The initial appointment will be for 12 months from January 2020 to allow for flexibility once the full implications of Covid are understood and impact has been assessed.

The Managing Executive Director will be the lead officer for corporate functions, which are at the centre of change and transformation within the Council and is also the Head of Paid Service. There will continue to be Executive Directors for Adult Social Care, Children's Services and Economy, Transport & Environment, with the Executive Director of Commissioning, Communities & Policy taking up the Managing Executive Director role.

In order to be at the front of the queue for the opportunities that the changing relationship between local and national government are bringing, Derbyshire needs a strategic lead officer to give it profile and impact at a national level. It is believed that this approach demonstrates agility and flexibility as a Council and a determination to do what is right for Derbyshire people, partner organisations and communities.

Borough Council – Cllrs Val Clare and Tim Scott

Latest on Business Support

The latest support grants to help Erewash businesses hit by the COVID-19 pandemic are being rolled out, with Erewash Borough Council doing all it can to approve applications as quickly as possible in what are extremely difficult times.

Since the start of the pandemic in March, nearly £21m of support has been awarded in total to businesses in the borough and a further £1m issued in discretionary grants to small businesses not eligible for other support.

The council is now working through the latest applications for grants that offer support to eligible businesses that remained open but suffered a significant financial impact when Erewash went into Tier 2 on 17 October and those that were forced to close under the recent national lockdown that ended on 2 December.

In addition, an application form has gone online on the council's website this week giving businesses that do not pay business rates the opportunity to apply for an Additional Restrictions Grant.

So far, more than 100 payments have been paid in the latest grants, totalling nearly £150,000. More than 1,200 applications have been made online, with more coming in, through the council's My Erewash account.

Up-to-date details can be found on our covid grants page. Businesses are advised to register for a My Erewash business account where full details of the grants' criteria and online application forms are available.

Christmas Parking

Erewash Borough Council will provide free parking in all of its car parks, with the exception of Long Eaton Railway Station, on every Monday and Tuesday in December.

From Monday 7 December to Tuesday 29 December the council's car parks will be free after 10am. This will apply on:

- Monday 7 December and Tuesday 8 December.
- Monday 14 December and Tuesday 15 December.
- Monday 21 December and Tuesday 22 December.
- Monday 28 December and Tuesday 29 December.

Normal parking charges will resume from Monday 4 January.

All of the council's car parks are part of the scheme, with the exception of the commuter car park at Long Eaton Railway Station. Ilkeston Railway Station car park is not owned by the council.

Last Chance for Cash Boost

It's the countdown to cash grants! Voluntary groups and charities in Erewash have a week left to apply for funding of up to £2,000 towards their vital work.

The deadline for the latest round of Erewash Borough Council's Community Grants Scheme is Wednesday 16 December – and local organisations both large and small are being urged to apply. Over the last few years, hundreds of local voluntary groups have received funding to support them in their important work to help local people.

Two organisations that benefitted from grants in the first round of the 2020/21 scheme earlier this year were:

- The Long Eaton-based Canaan Trust charity, which received £2,000 to help ensure the supported accommodation for homeless males project was able to continue during COVID-19 restrictions.
- The newly formed Sawley Youth Club was awarded £240 towards the costs of first aid training courses for volunteers, youth accreditation certificates and arts and craft materials.

Full details of the scheme, and the EBC Community Grants Funding Policy, can be found on the community grants page.

EBC's Community Grants Scheme is unable to provide funding to any community group that has received a grant award within the last 12 months.

Lighting up Erewash

Erewash Borough Council has turned on its Christmas lights in readiness for the festive season, albeit in a slightly different way this year.

The extremely popular annual Christmas Light Switch on in Ilkeston and Long Eaton was a virtual event this year, due to current lockdown restrictions.

The Mayor of Erewash, Councillor Sue Beardsley, had the honour of counting down to the big switch on in Long Eaton at 7pm on Thursday 26 November followed by Ilkeston's stunning festive lights at 7pm on Friday 27 November.

Both events can be seen on Erewash Borough Council's Facebook page.

Wishing you a very Merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year.

Parish Councillors

Police

Crime Figures from 11/11/2020 – 2/12/2020 x13

- 18-22/10 Vehicle crime, Town End Rd
- 23/10 Criminal Damage, Villa St
- 23/10 Drugs supply, Station Rd
- 23/10 Criminal damage, Station Rd
- 24/10 Criminal damage, Nooning Lane
- 2/11 Criminal damage, Cowslip Meadow
- 30/9-31/10 Theft, Nooning Lane
- 12/10-2/11 Theft, Nooning Lane
- 5/11 Vehicle crime, Holly Close
- 5/11 Theft, Sawley Rd
- 5/11 Vehicle crime, Fowler St
- 12/11 Criminal damage, Wallis Close
- 25/11 Theft, Cowslip Meadow

ASB – incidents x15 – it is worth noting that 7 of the ASB incidents are Covid breaches

- Cowslip Meadow x2
- Gertrude Rd
- Station Rd
- Lime Grove x3
- Wallis Close
- Town End Rd x2
- Derby Rd x2
- Villa St
- MUGA
- Cleveland Avenue

195/20 Update on progress from the Minutes – the Clerk reported that all actions had been completed apart from the following.

- **Item 70/20 Clay Street – the clerk has contacted DCC highways and received no response**
- **Item 103/20 – EMH intend to erect No Parking Signs on the Green**

196/20 Chairman's Report

This month has seen ups and downs. After the long months of lock down, followed by easing of restrictions, opening of cafes and bars in a Covid secure way the rug was pulled from under our feet to find Erewash put into tier three and many restrictions back in place.

We began the month with the closing of the footpath from Derby Road to Hopwell Road, but that was not well received, especially as there was a mistake on the plan produced by County Council. The digging out is proceeding very well, and I am amazed at the depth and width of the excavations for the new canal. The contractors may need a couple of weeks after Christmas to complete but it should be done before the real winter rain and thus help to prevent flooding on the railway line.

After the council's agreement last month to investigate the outdoor table tennis table I am delighted to say it has been installed and is ready for play. The Chess table and chairs will be installed after the Christmas break.

The DV and DIB members have again organised Christmas Trees for each house who requested one and assisted putting them up where assistance was required. The switch on night Dec 1st. saw an amazing display and I must say the village has pulled out all the stops. I have walked most streets and have to declare I think this year the most decorated, is Mapleton Road, the lights there are amazing. The Sunday before the switch on I walked Max to Borrowash and on the return journey saw the steam from Ratcliffe Power station, something I have not seen since it was mothballed. Someone had heard about Draycott's requirement for extra power, I think. The parish council's decision to spread the lights across both sides of Market Street is very effective and does mean the tree itself stands out more. The tree lights are fantastic and everywhere looks so festive.

I shall be distributing 6 gifts to residents who have done voluntary work this year for the council before Christmas. I am sorry this does not include councillors.

Tim and I both attended the Derby and Sandiacre Canal meeting last week where after much discussion it was decided to retain ownership of the cottages, take up the offer of a loan to complete the interiors and seek to let the three cottages on the rental market. We thus retain control of the site and its maintenance going forward.

May I take this opportunity to wish Sheena, all councillors, and residents a very Happy Christmas and a safe and prosperous new Year.

197/20 Clerk's Report

Community Speedwatch – due to Erewash being in Tier 3, the radar training has been cancelled. DVF have applied for a grant to fund the Speedwatch Equipment – if successful, they will donate the funds to the Parish Council to purchase the items and store for the Community Speedwatch Group. The table tennis table was installed on 3rd December and 12 bats and 144 balls have been received – these will be given to community groups after Christmas for use. The seat will be installed by Paul Gyll, the existing signs will be removed, and the overhanging trees will be pruned. Football has re-started at Draycott Playing Fields. The clerk will be on annual leave from Friday 11th December until Tuesday 5th January – urgent issues will be managed by Cllr Val Clare. I would like to wish all Councillors and residents a Merry Christmas and Happy and Healthy 2021.

198/20 Anti-Social Behaviour in the parish – The council received a letter from MP Maggie Throup regarding increased litter around the village, the council RESOLVED to respond via the clerk

199/20 It was NOTED that the 99-year lease between the Long Eaton and Draycott Table Tennis Club has been signed by all parties

200/20 Dog Poop bags, Cllr Martin Wilson will investigate the environmental impact of the different types of dog poop bag materials versus cost and will report back at the January meeting

201/20 St Chad's Water LNR update – a purchase order for the fence work has been sent to Secure-A-Fence and works are due to take place from 18th January 2021 (flood and road closure dependant) the removal of the existing brash, hedge, self seeded trees etc will take place prior to this

202/20 Brass Band Concert – it was RESOLVED to hold the concert on the Leisure Green on Sunday 4th July, the Scouts have agreed to supply refreshments and the Table Tennis Club will ensure that there are no matches and will lend chairs if required

203/20 Fishing Club Licence for 2021 – it was RESOLVED that the draft licence is to be sent to the Fishing Club for their review and comments, this consultation period will last until 28th February 2021

204/20 Finance

- a. The accounts for payment and receipts since the last meeting were approved

Payment Schedule for 8 December 2020 PC Meeting

Inv Date	To Whom	Description	Total Amount
10/11/2020	Val Clare	Receipt No 005/20 DVF: Christmas Tree for the Parish Rooms	£ 20.00
10/11/2020	Leisure Lights Ltd	Invoice 6607 - Installation of Christmas Lights	£ 1,914.00
11/11/2020	Engie Power Ltd	Invoice 2-01670233 October electricity Parish Rooms	£ 18.22
11/11/2020	Engie Power Ltd	Invoice 2-01670241 October electricity Pavilion	£ 22.72
14/11/2020	Sheena Butcher	Invoice 51984275 - Zoom	£ 14.39
12/11/2020	Sheena Butcher	Stamps	£ 7.80
13/11/2020	Sheena Butcher	Postage of Free Car park notices	£ 1.40

21/11/2020	Sheena Butcher	Costco: Laminating pouches	£	14.38
29/11/2020	Sheena Butcher	Working from home allowance	£	24.00
30/11/2020	Sheena Butcher	Salary Nov 2020	£	1,476.83
30/11/2020	HMRC	Tax / NI for Nov 2020	£	422.11
	Derbyshire County Council			
30/11/2020	Pensions	Pension for Nov 2020	£	455.55
30/11/2020	St Chads Fishing Club	Litter picking Nov 2020	£	80.00
		PAT Test appliances, install emergency light and replace strip light		
22/11/2020	Stuart Beresford		£	130.00
21/11/2020	Glendale Countryside	Invoice GC436-5296 Grounds Maintenance Nov	£	535.13
27/11/2020	Glasdon UK Ltd	Invoice S1806473 - Pheonix Seat for LG	£	551.28
28/11/2020	Waterplus	Invoice INV04337323	£	28.44
28/11/2020	Talk Talk	Invoice 21696853	£	28.80
01/12/2020	SLCC	Invoice BK199828 - Practitioners Conference	£	90.00
01/12/2020	Waterplus	Invoice INV 04345256	£	57.04
01/12/2020	SLCC	Invoice MEM233195 SLCC Membership 2021 - 22	£	208.00
		Invoice 157 normal duties plus repair to bridge at St Chads		
02/12/2020	Paul Gyll		£	754.00
01/12/2020	Erewash Borough Council	Cemetery rates	£	54.00
		Website hosting and support - Inv WEB5177 (DD Schedule)		
05/12/2020	Website Design Derby		£	35.25
	Ellesmere Playground			
02/12/2020	Products Ltd	Invoice 968 - Groundworks for LG area	£	4,872.00
	Ellesmere Playground			
02/12/2020	Products Ltd	Invoice 969 - Concrete Table Tennis Table	£	3,000.00
Total			£	14,815.34

Receipts since the last meeting for approval at the 10 November 2020 PC Meeting

Inv Date	From Whom	Description	Total Amount
20/11/2020	St Chads Fishing Club	Receipt No 24 - Guest pass fees (towards upkeep of lake)	£ 250.00
23/11/2020	DVLFC	Invoice 2020_11 match fees Sept - Nov	£ 180.00
23/11/2020	STFC	Invoice 2020_12 match fees Sept - Nov	£ 210.00
	Draycott and Long Eaton		
23/11/2020	Table Tennis Club	Invoice 2020_13 Rent 23/5/2020 - 31/3/2021	£ 702.66
26/11/2020	Co op Funeralcare	Internment Fees for Plot 954 - Ashes of W Rose	£ 110.00
02/12/2020	HMRC	VAT refund 1 Oct - 30 Nov 2020	£ 736.43
04/12/2020	Erewash Borough Council	4th Instalment of precept and concurrent functions	£ 19,665.00
05/12/2020	Army Cadet Force	Invoice 2020_014 rent Jan - March 2021	£ 208.48
Total			£ 22,062.57

- b. Financial Statement and Bank Reconciliation – it was RESOLVED to note both statements as correct

Finance Statement and Bank Reconciliation for 8 December

Receipts budget v actual 2020 - 21

Row Labels	Sum of Amount	Sum of Budget
Bank Interest	£58.99	£100.00
Burial ground	£3,430.00	£4,000.00
Contribution from DPC Reserves		£2,564.42
Grants / Playscheme	£11,000.00	£11,000.00
Misc Income (recharges)	£2,133.03	£2,133.03
Precept / Concurrent Functions	£78,662.45	£78,662.45
Rents - others	£1,727.58	£2,300.00
Rents Football Clubs	£1,090.00	£1,500.00
Rents St Chad's Water		£350.00
VAT Refund (blank)	£5,120.22	£8,670.82
Fishing Club - Guest Ticket Fees	£1,005.00	£1,000.00
Contribution from DPC Earmarked reserves		£3,380.00
Grand Total	£104,227.27	£115,660.72

Summary	
Balance as at 1st April 2020	
Co Operative bank account(s) balance	£ 10,510.44
Nationwide Building Society balance	£ 30,541.73
	£ 41,052.17
Less unrepresented Chqs as at 31/3/2019	£ -
Balance as at 1st April 2019	£ 41,052.17
Receipts	
Total Receipts to date	£ 104,227.27
Payments	
Total payments to date	£ 66,677.06
BALANCE	
Balance as 1 April +Receipts - Payments	£ 78,602.38
Bank reconciliation	
	05/12/2020
Co-op bank account(s) balance	£ 53,186.48
Nationwide bank account balance	£ 30,541.73
Total monies	£ 83,728.21
Minus Unrepresented cheques	£ 6,883.40
Plus payments not received at bank	£ 1,757.57
Total	£ 78,602.38
Bank Reconciliation difference	-£ 0.00

Payments budget v actual 2020 - 21

Row Labels	Sum of Net	Sum of VAT that is claimable	Sum of Total Amount	Sum of Budget
Employment	£21,065.64	£0.00	£21,065.74	£28,754.25
Clerks Salary	£13,228.50	£0.00	£13,228.50	£17,662.09
Mileage	£36.00	£0.00	£36.00	£200.00
Pension	£4,046.61	£0.00	£4,046.61	£5,222.40
Tax /NI	£3,754.53	£0.00	£3,754.63	£5,669.76
General Power of Competence	£2,724.12	£541.43	£3,265.55	£6,570.00
Band Concert				£0.00
Christmas Tree / Lights	£1,595.00	£319.00	£1,914.00	£4,000.00
Dog Bags	£662.50	£132.50	£795.00	£1,000.00
Donations / Grants				£1,000.00
Hanging Basket Sponsorship	£83.00	£16.60	£99.60	£100.00
Maintenance Contract for CCTV System	£350.00	£70.00	£420.00	£420.00
Newsletter Delivery				£0.00
Remembrance Sunday	£33.62	£3.33	£36.95	£50.00
Summer Playscheme				£0.00
Non Recurring Expenses	£1,903.73	£319.14	£2,222.87	£2,222.87
Misc expenditure (recharges)	£1,903.73	£319.14	£2,222.87	£2,222.87
PWLB Repayments	£3,475.70	£0.00	£3,475.70	£3,475.70
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Repairs and Maintenance	£26,297.35	£3,509.05	£29,806.41	£59,475.93
Cemetery maintenance	£225.00	£45.00	£270.00	£270.00
Grass and hedge cutting	£3,792.54	£758.52	£4,551.06	£7,500.00
Lengthsman Duties	£7,188.51	£0.00	£7,188.51	£11,500.00
Litter Picking - St Chads Water	£720.00	£0.00	£720.00	£960.00
Other maintenance	£1,813.43	£350.23	£2,163.66	£5,000.00
Parish Rooms maintenance	£244.31	£22.87	£267.18	£500.00
Pavilion maintenance	£1,038.27	£207.66	£1,245.93	£1,245.93
Playground maintenance	£2,750.34	£550.06	£3,300.40	£6,000.00
Tree, fence and path maintenance	£893.50	£90.00	£983.50	£15,500.00
Covid-19 Costs	£612.05	£80.84	£692.89	£1,000.00
Leisure Green upgrade	£7,019.40	£1,403.88	£8,423.28	£10,000.00
Running Costs	£4,696.92	£153.42	£4,850.34	£10,871.08
Audit Fees	£529.30	£80.00	£609.30	£550.00
Chairman's Allowance	£33.00	£0.00	£33.00	£300.00
DMGT Insurance	£442.13	£0.00	£442.13	£419.08
Election Costs				£2,300.00
Newsletters / Subscriptions	£389.00	£0.00	£389.00	£1,302.00
Office expenses	£289.68	£41.42	£331.10	£2,200.00
Parish Insurance	£2,523.81	£0.00	£2,523.81	£2,500.00
Training	£490.00	£32.00	£522.00	£800.00
Youth Council				£500.00
Utility	£1,817.94	£172.28	£1,990.45	£4,290.89
Cemetery Rates	£482.43	£0.00	£482.43	£687.96
Electricity – MUGA floodlights				£264.60
Electricity – Parish Rooms	£205.06	£10.26	£215.32	£661.50
Electricity – Pavillion	£159.78	£7.99	£167.77	£496.13
Telephone & Broadband	£215.80	£43.21	£259.24	£372.00
Water Charges – Parish Rooms	£151.27	£0.00	£151.27	£176.40
Water Charges – Pavillion	£49.19	£0.00	£49.19	£132.30
Website	£554.41	£110.82	£665.23	£1,500.00
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Grand Total	£61,981.40	£4,695.32	£66,677.06	£115,660.72

c. The proposals from the Finance and General-Purpose committee for the 2021 – 2022 budget were discussed, the budget will be finalised at the January PC meeting

205/20 Items for the next meeting are dog poop bags, annual parish meeting, budget, market street parking, CCTV at the Leisure Green - any other items / motions for the next meeting are to be submitted to the clerk by 4th January 2021.

206/20 Date of next full council meeting – Tuesday 12th January 2021 at 7.30pm

The meeting was closed by the Chairman at 8.20pm