Draft minutes of the virtual meeting of Islip Parish Council on Tuesday 21st July 2020 at 7.15pm

**Present**

Cllr E Taylor (Chair), B Lymn, P Fryatt, R Horrell, R Tarling-Toley

NCC/ENCllr. W Brackenbury, ENCllr. V Carter Clerk C.Tilley

1. Public Participation- David Manning leading a project in very early stages to create a new community park for Thrapston and Islip on land next to the lakes gave a short presentation to the council. Presentation was circulated to council and a lengthy discussion followed.
2. Apologies for absence- received and approved from Cllr. L Duval, R Maxwell and E Curbishley
3. No declarations of Members’ Interest on the Agenda
4. Minutes of the last virtual meeting June 17th 2020 resolved to be approved, and will be signed when practical.
5. Planning –

**20/00686/FUL** 6 Wellington Terrace- two storey rear extension- no objections

**18/000817/OUT**- to discuss neighbouring on-going Cowthick Planning objections- Clerk to send a ‘calling in’ letter to the planning inspectorate as planners did not consider the effect of development on surrounding areas with regards to increased traffic along bypass and the subsidiary effect, that village will be used as a rat run.

1. **Internal Control**-Cllr Lymn reported all fine with Internal Control and Cllr Horrell volunteered to carry out next one in September
2. **Finance**
3. To receive and approve the Financial Report, Bank reconciliation showing a balance of £40,556.75 for the Parish Council and £13,673.50 for the Sports Field & Payments Due for July 2020 (Attached)- resolved to approve these. Clerk reminded members that items for Parish Council should be approved at meeting before spending occurred.
4. **Highways** – To note that pavement cracked around lamp column in Jubilee Close was reported to Street Doctor, but is Parish Council liability as they own the lamps. Cllr Harris has obtained a quote from Balfour Beatty for reparation- £916.85 (&VAT) Clerk to check whether covered by insurance and to get two more quotes.
5. **Recreation Ground**- received and discussed the RoSPA inspection report and decided on any remedial works, bolts on swing seat need tightening-Cllr Fryatt will look at this and Cllr Taylor will contact surfacing company regarding the splitting of surfaces. Goal mouth repairs needed- agree to do in Autumn. Noted that playground now open with safety/information signs obtained from East Northants Council installed.
6. **Sports Field**- Cllr Maxwell sent a report in- All good at the field, fully packed out with kids clubs, dance club, football training, and small number of cricket games.
7. **Community Matters-**
8. Dog bin siting- to note due to objections, a new dog bin will not be installed along Mill Road. Dog warden has placed increased signage. Councillors decided to do some further monitoring before requesting quote for increased patrolling.
9. VAS signs- To receive quotes Swarco £5639.90 (ex VAT) and Messagemaker £5450 (ex VAT) for two cameras. After discussion resolved to purchase three from Messagemaker as money has been allocated in budget - but will need to get a price for installation. A Streetworks license from NCC at £450 & VAT will be needed first- Clerk to action. Preferred positions Chapel Hill and Lowick Road. Third to be determined. Clerk to action
10. Newsletter- had only received info from Cllr Tarling-Toley and the Clerk, no other village organisation, so Cllr Lymn will put together a pictorial newsletter.
11. To note that litter bin near Nine Arches filling rapidly, ENC will only empty once a week. Cllr Carter will speak to ENC waste on behalf of the Parish Council.
12. **To receive District & County Councillors’** Reports – For Information Only

Cllr Carter has asked for an extra bin on Thrapston side of river- near sea cadets when ENC are next doing rounds. Leisure centres opening back up but participants have to be Gym or pool ready. Covid testing centre in Nene Centre for three days from tomorrow.

Cllr Brackenbury- NCC full council we approved an economic recovery package. Local authority has new powers meetings with regards to containing Coronavirus at a local level. Numbers of cases flat lining at present. ENC received a report regarding financial impact of Covid-19. Local, district and county level all impacted. Some Government funding available but local authorities have to put a case for recompense. More impact probably on following year. LGR- work at pace, senior officers interviews. Health & Social care working together much more rapidly than would have otherwise. Children’s Trust set up to cover social care aspect of Children services

1. **To receive the Clerk’s Update** and correspondence received-

NCALC training- many courses on line at present.

Grant available for Litter Picking Grant- not awarded

1. **To receive the round the table comments** – For Information Only

Speeding motorcycles ridiculously loud and too fast with them doing circuits around bypass and through village. Cllr Lymn has spoken to PCSO, but nothing has happened.

Cllr Brackenbury will ask NCC Highways if they can place some speed monitoring wires along there.

Cllr Tarling-Toley and Taylor would like to see the green area at top of Chapel Hill improved as bench rotting. A quote will be on next Agenda for discussion.

New information board at Chapel Hill looks good.

Quote needed for installation of Information Boards- Clerk to check with Ady Pendred

Cllr Tarling-Toley organising Autumn litter pick- 13th September, has ordered 30 litter packs, but may need more as lots of interest

Cllr Horrell- enquiry about lady in America- look at email- she wanted 1960-1964 pictures if anyone has any- pass them to him

Cllr Horrell- enquiry about Medbury house- particularly suitable candidate- will go on waiting list.

Cllr Taylor- roundels quote to go on Agenda- chase with Sarah Barnwell

1. **Close of meeting-** no meeting in August- Next meeting 15th September 2020