

**Minutes of Mouldsworth Parish Council Virtual Meeting**  
**20<sup>th</sup> July 2020**

**Councillors Present**

Cllr G Jones  
Cllr M Garnett  
Cllr H Nuttall  
Cllr A Lowry

**Apologies**

Apologies were received from Cllr H Deynem (CWAC).

**Minutes of previous meeting**

The minutes of the previous meeting were taken as read, proposed by Cllr H Nuttall seconded by Cllr M Garnett and approved.

**Matters arising**

There were no matters arising.

**Planning**

1. The development work at the former Diggle land is much advanced with the builders working 12 hours per day, 7 days a week. The bricklayer is expected to commence week ending 27<sup>th</sup> July.

It was agreed that Cllr Nuttall should check with the Planning Department to establish if there are any regulations ascertaining to hours of work on a building site.

It was also noted the houses on both sides of the development are up for sale.

2. The Judd application, Smithy Lane. The decision date was originally 3<sup>rd</sup> August, however, the application has been called in before full council and is unlikely to be heard before October. The chairman is to check with Cllr Deynem if a member of the Parish Council is able to address the full Planning Meeting.

**Finance**

The Treasurer presented at the meeting with the quarterly budget update. Cllr Garnett recorded a drop in precept of £44 to £1518 (£1562 the previous year). It was also reported that the account recorded a figure of £18, 799 as a fighting fund.

The Treasurer also confirmed that the external auditors, PKF-Little John, had informed the Parish Council that we have received and

logged the notification of exempt status for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2020.

It was agreed that the Parish Council should review the audit situation on an annual basis.

The committee thanked the Treasurer for all his work and effort.

### **Correspondence**

There was no relevant correspondence.

### **Any other business**

1. It was noted that local resident, Alan Hulme, has been dealing with the Police in respect of speeding vehicles and a more visible monitoring has been noticed.
2. It was reported that a new PCSO, Debbie Netherton, has been appointed and a more visible presence is expected in the area. She can be contacted via:  
Deborah.Netherton@cheshire.pnn.police.uk
3. Cllr Nuttall has been in contact with the Cheshire Community Action and confirmed that, as Mouldsworth is in the green belt and is not classified as a local service centre, it is likely that future development will be limited so it may be overkill having a neighbourhood plan. However, residents should be surveyed to establish what their community concerns are and whether there is an overwhelming desire to have a plan. Residents need to be clear from the outset that what they can achieve, and more importantly, cannot achieve. Cheshire Community Action will help with the survey and analyse the responses. The Parish Council will be responsible for delivery and collection of the aforementioned survey.
4. It was noted that the verges at the top of Smithy Lane are once again a mess.
5. Complaints regarding noise coming from The Stables, Smithy Lane, have been made. The Clerk is to write to the complainants that this should be a police matter.
6. Cllr Nuttall to contact CWAC regarding the possibility of installing poo bins.
7. It was reported that the land adjacent to Brooke House Cottage is being used by quad bikers. From discussion, it appears that there is not a change of use and Cllr Nuttall will feed this back to the residents who raised this.

### **Date of next meeting**

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2020, 8:00pm.