

## Salford Priors Parish Council

### Minutes of an Extra Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held via Zoom due to Covid-19 & social distancing laws on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2020.

**Present:** Councillors: Cllr A Green (Chairman), L Maude, T Shale, R Green, B Seabourne, C Hickman (19:20) & County Councillor Mike Brain  
Donna Bowles, Clerk to the Parish Council

**Also in attendance:** 4 members of the public.

<b>1.</b>	<p><b>Apologies accepted for absence:</b> Cllr James Non-Attendance Cllr Penn</p>
<b>2.</b>	<p><b>Register of Interests:</b> Members were reminded of the need to keep their register of interests up to date <b>Declaration of Interests:</b> Members were asked to disclose any interests in items on the Agenda and their nature. Councillors with a disclosable pecuniary interest are required to leave the room for the relevant agenda item. <b>Pecuniary Interests:</b> Members were asked to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests in items on the Agenda and their nature: None declared. <b>Other Disclosable Interests:</b> None declared.</p>
<b>3.</b>	<p><b>Open Forum:</b> No questions were submitted, or link requested. The Chairman moved that the meeting be adjourned for the Public Open Forum and this was agreed. Two residents were in attendance.</p> <p><b>a) Have your say.</b> Queries were raised regarding the play equipment closure and expressing strength of feeling from other residents requesting that appropriate signage should be put up and the equipment re-opened.</p> <p><b>b) No under 18s were present.</b></p> <p><b>c) County Councillor Mike Brain's Report –</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To follow up the A46 toileting layby issues this week.</li> <li>• He stated his support for the re-opening of all playgrounds.</li> <li>• County Councillor Bob Stevens, Chairman of the County Council passed away suddenly at the weekend. He will be sadly missed.</li> </ul> <p><b>The Chairman closed the open forum and reconvened the meeting at 19:15</b></p>
<b>4.</b>	<p><b>Acceptance of Minutes:</b> The Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2020 via Zoom, were agreed by the Council to be a true record of the meeting and will be signed by the Chairman at a future date.</p>
<b>5.</b>	<p><b>To re-consider the decision regarding keeping the play equipment closed.</b> The Chairman read out the relevant minutes from the July meeting regarding the play equipment decision to keep the area closed. This has been under constant review hence the calling of this meeting. He confirmed that all Members had received all necessary documentation and guidance regarding this. An updated Covid-19 risk assessment had been sent to all Members prior to the meeting.</p> <p>The Chairman invited all Members to give their opinion as to the re-opening of the play equipment. It was noted that the equipment has been used on a regular basis with play equipment closed notices being regularly removed.</p> <p>Following this, a discussion took place as to the best way to proceed. Members had received via email the detailed annual safety inspection which showed no immediate concerns. The updated Covid-19 risk assessment was discussed and agreed by all Members.</p> <p>Cllr Pattison proposed that the play equipment is opened as soon as is feasible with Cllr Maude seconding.</p> <p>It was resolved that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The play equipment be opened as soon as is feasible (4 Members voted for, 3 against). It was decided not to arrange for any cleaning as a regular cleaning regime will not be carried out by the Parish Council.</li> <li>• The risk assessment was agreed – Cllrs A Green &amp; Maude to sign along with the Clerk</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A weekly rota on a Saturday be set up for each Councillor to check the equipment, checklist to be provided, and inform the Clerk of any areas of concern</li> <li>• Clerk to print off all necessary signs to enable the equipment to be opened as soon as possible, obtaining 3 permanent signs, details the same as the Bidford-on-Avon signage.</li> <li>• Clerk to arrange for leaflets of said signage for every household of the parish to be delivered</li> <li>• Clerk to advertise via Facebook and E-News the opening of the play equipment and posting relevant signage when ready</li> <li>• Date for re-opening 7<sup>th</sup> August 2020</li> </ul> <p>One of the residents has offered to set up a group to litter pick and monitor the signage. Members were happy to accept this offer.</p>
6.	<p><b>Date of Next Meeting:</b> Council confirmed the date of the next Ordinary Parish Council Meeting on Wednesday 16th September 2020 at 7.00pm via Zoom. Future strategy planning working group meeting to take place on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> August, 7pm via Zoom.</p>
7.	<p><b>Closure of Meeting:</b> The Chairman closed the meeting at 20:05 hrs</p>

Chairman: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_