**EGGLESCLIFFE AREA RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION (EARA)**

**MINUTES OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

**Monday 2nd December 2020**

**Online via Zoom­**

Present: Shane Sellers, Ruth Greenwood, Councillor Stefan Houghton, Neville Thompson, Norman Douglas, Brian Robinson and Kathie Hatfield.

1. **Welcome**

Shane welcomed and thanked those present for their attendance online.

1. **Apologies**

Doug Nicholson, Councillor Maureen Rigg, Richard and Jan Crouch.

1. **Minutes of previous Meeting**

The minutes for the previous meeting have been circulated.

1. **Artistic Bins for Egglescliffe Village Green** – A proposal by councillor Stefan Houghton

Discussion took place regarding the above proposal and the chair asked all members to consider it. There was still no defined cost for the artwork, but it was felt this woukld be in the region of £1,200. Norman felt that we need to be cautious in committing ourselves to this work and that would be some merit in taking our time.

Nev has viewed the artist’s website and felt that some of his artistic work is quite large.

Kathie stated that if we were to go ahead with this, it would be appropriate to have different local themes on all four sides of the artwork, themes such as:

* The Civil War;
* The railway;
* The fact we had an Anglo Saxon church; and
* Wildlife.

Kathie also informed members that she had a friend who was a graphic designer who may, if we wanted, be able to prepare designs for the artwork.

Councillor Stefan Houghton was asked if he could liaise with the artist to obtain an estimate as to the cost of making and installing the artwork. He agreed to do so.

1. **Planning application 20/2296/FUL**

Shane informed members that a new planning application had been submitted for housing on Grange Farm at Egglescliffe. He stated that he had received confirmation that the developers were intent on carrying out the improvements to Stoney Bank Lane they had previously agreed to, which is very reassuring**.** He thanked thedevelopers for their prompt response to his request and looked forward to the work being completed in due course.

1. **EARA Events**

Holding community events moving forward is going to be difficult due to the current Covid-19 pandemic. We do need to look to future events once the pandemic no longer poses a threat to community meetings, but when this will is unsure.

1. **A.O.B**

Nev informed members that he was still experiencing difficulty with our bank to secure online banking. There appear to move the goal posts whenever he speaks to them and now need a copy of our Constitution. Previously, a copy of our minutes confirming the committee agreed to online banking was sufficient, but this is no longer the case.

Shane stated that the Constitution did not specifically state we could have online banking and would need to be changed accordingly. He would make the necessary amendments and send the document out to members for agreement.

1. Next Meeting – The next meeting of the EARA committee would take place on Monday 8th February 2021, via Zoom, at 7.00pm.