## **Molescroft Parish Council**

# Update 16<sup>th</sup> April 2020

## Update from the Clerk

As discussed and agreed at the last Parish Council Meeting, we are continuing to ensure that, during the coronavirus outbreak, urgent matters are being dealt with, whilst other major activities are on hold until the situation improves.

Andrew & Peter's hours have been slightly reduced this month but both have managed to carry out general maintenance work, even though the Pavilion, car park and children's play area are closed. Although they are following up on our list of outstanding jobs, they are obviously facing some restrictions in terms of obtaining materials and/or contacting people who are unavailable during the pandemic. The playing field is still currently open for exercise, within the government's constraints. There has been no cleaning carried out at the Pavilion this month. Andrew has provided the following list of works completed and ongoing:

- Daily cleaning of outdoor gym equipment
- Grass cutting not currently being done by ERYC
- Decorative work inside Pavilion ongoing
- Inventory of kitchen and other Pavilion items completed
- Footway near play park started but materials to complete unavailable
- Posts in car park will be completed when materials available
- Paintwork on outside of building ongoing
- Ongoing phone enquires, online bookings and future bookings

If any Councillors have any further ideas for the caretakers to be working on, within the guidelines and being aware of materials difficulties, please do let myself and Cllr Hildyard know.

My working hours during w/c 6<sup>th</sup> April were a little sporadic due to my husband developing mild coronavirus symptoms and so going into isolation. As I had no childcare, I had to spread my hours over the week, where I could fit them in, but was able to continually check emails, via the work mobile, and respond as necessary. All essential work has been completed as normal.

I have made enquiries with HAGS regarding playground inspections and will be looking at taking out a yearly contract which will help to cut costs and ensure regular inspections are not missed.

PKF Littlejohn have been in touch to say that their instructions for the completion of the 2019/20 AGAR will not be issued until such time as there is more clarity over the implications of lockdown measures for smaller authorities; I await further information from them.

Due to current restrictions, minutes have not been updated in the notice boards, but have been uploaded to the website.

Since the last Parish Council Meeting, the following have been agreed:

- £100 donation to Beverley Mutual Aid for printing of flyers to be distributed to the local community, to advise of help available during the Coronavirus outbreak (donation yet to be made following confirmation from ClIr Heffer).
- £100 donation to Beverley Puppet Festival, as per circulated email, to help towards costs of making the festival available virtually during the current period of lockdown.

• Refund of pitch hire costs of £180 to Beverley Under 16s as per email (see under 'Correspondence').

#### <u>Minutes</u>

Please find attached minutes from the last Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March, for approval of the Council. **Please could you all ensure to respond to me by email regarding your approval of the minutes.** 

#### Payment Schedule

Please find attached Payment Schedule for April 2020, for approval of the Council, noting the following payments:

IT Forward - £420.00; annual charge for payroll services

#### SLCC - £161.00; Annual membership renewal

Following advice from payroll (ITForward), the hourly rate paid to Peter Wiles has been raised in line with national minimum wage regulations effective from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2020.

# Please could you all ensure to respond to me by email regarding your approval of the payment schedule.

#### **Correspondence**

- A letter was received from Mrs Theresa Brown regarding an account opened by her late husband, Harvey Brown, for the Molescroft Action Group. A cheque for the balance of the account of £8.00 was enclosed as a donation to the Parish Council. A letter of acknowledgement and thanks was sent to her in response.
- Email from Paul Bellotti (Beverley Under 16s) requesting a refund of pitch hire costs due to lack of pitch availability; the pitch has been waterlogged and now is obviously closed and games cancelled due to Covid-19 they have only played one match on it. Email of acknowledgement and agreement to the request sent.

#### **Planning**

Please see below planning applications received since the last Parish Council Meeting:

Molescroft Primary School	Erection of single storey extension to main entrance, with associated works.	7 <sup>th</sup> April 2020	No objections.
Peter Ward Homes Land North of Site Compound	Erection of double garage on land used as temporary/visitor parking.	23 <sup>rd</sup> April 2020	No objections.
10 Alpha Avenue	Erection of single storey rear extension.	7 <sup>th</sup> May 2020	Circulated to Council today.
1 Newman Avenue	Erection of single storey extension to side including link to and part conversion of existing detached garage to create additional living accommodation.	7th May 2020	Circulated to Council today.