STREET PARISH COUNCIL

 Extraordinary meeting of the Council held virtually using Zoom with

remote attendance on 28th July, 2020 at 6.53 p.m.

 PRESENT: Councillor A. Leafe (Chair)

Councillors: C.E. Axten, P. Birch, S. Carswell, M. Daniells, D. Drew, D. Goater, P. Goater,

L. Mogg, T.W.E. Napper, A. Prior, H. Shearer and L. Wolfers

 IN ATTENDANCE: L. Ruff – Clerk/RFO

 M. Sandiford – Assistant Clerk Projects Officer

 J. Marshfield – Assistant Clerk

 County Councillor L. Leyshon

 Councillor J. Harvey – Chair Walton Parish

 Council

 APOLOGIES: Councillor R. Boyce – working – reason

 accepted

24. MINUTES

The minutes of the annual meeting held on 21st July, 2020 which had been circulated were approved as a correct record and arrangements

would be made for them to be signed by the Chair in accordance with

current guidance.

25. MATTERS ARISING

 The Clerk reported that a decision was needed on the current

 temporary closure of the High Street which was due to end on 7th

 August. One resident had spoken during Public Question Time for it to

 be re-opened and phone calls or emails had been received from 4

 other residents who were strongly in favour of ending the closure. The

 Chair had spoken to 6 independent traders in the High Street and 5 of

 those had wanted the High Street reopened as they felt the closure

 was seriously affecting their business.

 Councillors felt that traders would be mostly losing trade due to the

 Coronavirus and that it was easier to social distance if the High Street

 was closed and safer for the elderly and others. It was an opportunity

 to assess the potential pedestrianisation of the High Street in the

 future. Planters were placed within the road closure to stop vehicles

 being driven through but deliveries could still take place. The road

 closure would not be manned now. Cafes etc. could apply for a

 pavement licence to have tables and chairs outside and the closure

 would allow more space for this.

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 RESOLVED

 that the current restrictions in the High Street be kept in place until the

 end of September and an enquiry be made as to how the emergency

 services would access the area – this decision to be ratified at the

 meeting on 18th August.

26. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS

In accordance with the Code of Conduct Councillors Carswell, P. Goater, Napper and Shearer declared an other interest under Appendix B in any matters relating to the District Council and stated that they would keep an open mind when considering issues at either District or Parish level. Councillor Napper declared an other interest under Appendix B in any matters relating to the County Council and that he would keep an open mind.

 The following members declared an other interest under Appendix B in

the matters detailed as they were representatives on the Management

Committees of the organisations and left the meeting while each was

considered -

Councillors Axten, Carswell and Daniells – tenders for Merriman Park

play area – on Merriman Park Community Group – left from 7.32 p.m.

to 7.44 p.m. Councillor Axten spoke on the project before leaving.

Councillor Axten – grant to Elmhurst School – governor – left at

7.50 p.m. and did not return as had another engagement.

Councillor Leafe – grant to Elmhurst School – disclosable pecuniary

interest as this was connected to his role as a Parent Family Support

Adviser at the School – left the meeting from 7.50 p.m. to 8 p.m. and

the Vice-Chair took the Chair.

Councillor Napper – planning application for Street Business Park – left

at 8.15 p.m. after speaking in support and did not return as last item.

Councillors P. Goater and Shearer – planning application for Street

Business Park – members of District Planning Board – left at 8.12 p.m.

and did not return as last item.

27. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

 RESOLVED

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 that in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act

 1960 as amended by the Openness of Local Government Bodies

 Regulations 2014, the press and public be excluded from the meeting

 for the following item as it involved confidential information on

 quotations received.

28. TENDERS – 0 TO 11 YEARS PLAY AREA AND FENCING

 MERRIMAN PARK

 The ACPO submitted a confidential report which had been circulated to

 members only. It was noted that 2 companies had submitted tenders

 which were slightly less than the £100,000 budget but neither had

 scored highly and any saving would need to be split with the Trust

 which was contributing 50% of the funding.

 RESOLVED

 that Kompan be selected to refurbish the play area for children up to

 11 years in Merriman Park and provide the fencing as detailed in their

 tender of £100,000 + VAT as it was consistently strong in all the scored

 areas – the order to be placed when the £50,000 from the Trust had

 been received by the Council.

29. GRANT FOR SUMMER SUPPORT

 The Clerk submitted a report which had been circulated. Careful

 consideration was given to the application and the information

 provided.

 RESOLVED

 that a grant of £1,000 be made to the Street and Glastonbury

Community Learning Partnership for the ELSA to work through the

Summer holidays with vulnerable children as detailed and a plan be

submitted of how the money would be spent including over what

period, number of hours to be worked and number of children involved.

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30. APPLICATION NO. 2020/1294/OTS – OUTLINE PLANNING

 PERMISSION WITH SOME MATTERS RESERVED FOR THE

 EXTENSION OF STREET BUSINESS PARK COMPRISING B1

 BUSINESS, B2 GENERAL INDUSTRY, B8 STORAGE OR

 DISTRIBUTION, RESIDENTIAL CARE HOME AND EXTRA CARE

 (USE CLASS C2) FOOD AND DRINK (USE CLASS A3/A4/A5),

 CONSTRUCTION OF NEW ARM TO THE A39 QUARRY BATCH,

 A39 WEST WAY AND WEST END JUNCTION, ASSOCIATED

 INTERNAL ACCESS ROADS AND PATHS, PARKING AND

 SERVICE AREAS WITH DETAILS OF ACCESS – LAND AT

 347021 136787 GRAVENCHON WAY, STREET FOR MR. MARK

 FITZGERALD – OUTLINE – SOME MATTERS RESERVED

 Consideration was given to the application. Some members were in

 support due to the creation of a considerable number of new jobs and

 provision of a much needed care home. Others felt that they needed

 more time to consider the proposals and consult with the public. The

 recommendation of refusal made by Walton Parish Council was noted.

 It was also noted that the green gap between Walton and Street had

 already been broken when Badgers Green was built.

 RESOLVED

 A. that consideration of the application be deferred for more due

 diligence with public consultation and more information from Highways

to give balance and clarity

B. that consideration be given to providing a pump track in the

wooded area between the Skate Park and McDonalds as suggested by

2 young people who attended a meeting of the Council about a year

before.

 The meeting ended at 8.40 p.m.

 County Councillor Leyshon arrived at 8.01 p.m.

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