**Cawood Parish Council**

**Following Government instruction banning public gatherings / meetings and in line with current guidelines for social distancing the Parish Council meeting due to be held on 19 March was cancelled. The Chair put together a shortened agenda from the main points of the original agenda and Councillors agreed to the following.**

1. The Clerk thanked the 3 flood wardens for all the work they did during the recent floods.
2. Clerk has been completing a business continuity plan which was prepared by Cllr Dennon..
3. **Cllrs resolved to approve the following bills for payment:**
   1. Martin Bates Handyman’s salary
   2. Robina Burton Clerk’s salary
   3. Robina Burton Clerk’s expenses
   4. Cash Petty cash £10.00
   5. Feoffeement Estate Charity OBS rent due 25 March £428.00
   6. Npower OBS electricity VAT £200.01 £1200.06
   7. Autela Quarterly bill VAT £10.92 £65.52
   8. HMRC Clerk & Handyman tax £728.80
   9. YLCA Webinar Audit training £15.00
   10. SDC Non-domestic rate Cemetery Charge 1/4/20-31/3/21 - £484.03, less rate relief £0.00

**Clerk posted cheques for signing to the Chairman & enclosed SAEs to post on to the recipients.**

**Clerk sent signed Internet Banking & Debit Card forms to HSBC.**

1. Clerk replied to the resident who commented about playing fields roadway that this is a track with a max 5mph speed limit, there had been excessive rain recently that has exacerbated the state of track. There is a supply of scalpings which the Handyman will use to maintain the roadway.
2. Planning Matters.

**5.1. 2020/0207/FUL** Proposed erection of an estate fence and gateway, planting of a perennial wildflower meadow, repair and consolidation of low-level ruined wall at Cawood Castle, 2 Thorpe Lane, Cawood.

*The Landmark Trust allows the Parish Council to decorate the sycamore in front of the Banqueting hall as the village Christmas tree each year.  We therefore ask if the proposed fencing goes behind the tree to allow access for the PC to continue to decorate the tree at Christmas.*

*The PC would comment that wild meadows would not have been acceptable in Wolsey’s day but formal gardens would be the most appropriate.*

**5.2. No objection to - 2020/0218/FUL** Proposed change of use from agricultural storage to depot for the Selby Area Internal Drainage Board and siting of a modular site office / changing room at Model Farm, Broad Lane, Cawood.

**5.3. No objection to - 2020/0239/HPA** Proposed single storey extension and alterations to form additional living accommodation at Holly Cottage, 41 Wistowgate, Cawood

**5.4. No objection to - 020/0205/FULM** Retrospective permission for drainage pond and proposed permission for four polytunnels at land at Wood Ends Farm, Broad Lane, Cawood.

6. Email from the planning consultant for a development on land adjoining Riverside Court. As NYCCs County Ecologist asks for a scheme of planting to take place in compensation for the trees & shrubs that would be lost in developing the area he asks for the PC help. Clerk to reply that there is no one area in the village that is suitable for planting but the Parish Council suggest a combination of three areas. The hedgerow border at the skate park could possibly be extended further down that side to behind the tennis club but the Playing Fields Liaison Committee would need to agree this. The border between the Gill Green and the Castle Garth has lots of brambles, if the brambles were cleared some planting could take place here however anything more than hedge whips at Gill Green would need various permissions from English Heritage because of scheduling as ancient monument. The last suggestion is the foreshore, this area has had slippage issues in the past which may well be improved by planting and perhaps a community orchard established.  The PC suggests he liaises with the Environment Agency about this.