LITTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on 15th November 2021 at 7pm in Litton Village Hall

PRESENT: Cllr Oscroft in the Chair

Cllrs J Mason-Marper, C Robinson, G Rooke & C Saxby

IN ATTENDANCE: G Turner, Clerk

District Councillor C Gamble

2440 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Councillor Gregory who was unable to attend due to work commitments

2441 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

There were no interests declared for agenda items.

2442 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was one member of the public present at the meeting

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2443 MATTERS TO BE DISCUSSED FOLLOWING THE EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

It was resolved under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 s1 to exclude members of the press and public to agenda items 6 and 10 on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

2444 MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 18th OCTOBER 2021 RESOLVED: That the Chair be authorised to sign the minutes as being a true and correct record.

2445 ACTIONS FROM THE LAST MEETING

-2275 Turning space in Litton for service bus

It was noted that the office of Sarah Dines MP has yet again chased DCC for a proposed solution to the problems encountered by the bus when making its turn in Litton.

-2405 LITTON PLAYGROUND REFURBISHMENTS

Councillor Rooke reported that the contractors were now on site and the area was being prepared ready for installation of the new equipment.

Councillor Mason-Marper informed members that a quiz at the Red Lion had raised £160 and the donation box on the bar £275, which was predominantly from the sale of gin bottle lights.

Donations towards the playground refurbishment were also received from Tideswell Wakes Committee, £100 and Friends of Litton Village, £500.

Councillor Mason-Marper stated that an Auction of promises was planned for Thursday 2nd December at 7pm in Litton Village Hall and Edwina Curry would be compering during the evening.

Plans are also underway for the raffle of a Christmas Hamper. Food donations towards the hamper can be left at Litton Shop.

Total raised so far towards the £5,500 goal is £2,060.

-2420 WAR MEMORIAL

The Clerk informed members that she had written to the current owner of the War Memorial but had no yet received a response.

-2423 WALL AT MEMORIAL PLAYING FIELD

The Clerk informed members that she could find no record in previous minutes of the Council ring fencing any funds in relation to repairs at the Memorial Playing Field or any reference to the Council agreeing to pay for any repairs to the western boundary wall.

IT WAS RESOLVED: That Councillor Mason-Marper will arrange for the wall to be inspected and report back on its condition.

2446 LIST OF PROPOSED MONTHLY MEETINGS 2022

A list of the proposed monthly meetings in 2022 was circulated to members.

IT WAS AGREED: That the monthly meetings will continue to be the 3rd Monday in the month, with the exception of February, April and December. The February meeting will be held on 28th February, April's on the 11th and December's on the 12th.

IT WAS ALSO AGREED: That the Annual Parish Meeting will be held at 6pm on Monday 11th April 2022.

2447 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Application Number: NP/DDD/1021/1102 -Lane Head House, Unnamed Section of A623 From Manchester Rd to Trot Lane, Tideswell

Development Description: Conversion of existing workshop to holiday/extended family accommodation.

IT WAS RESOLVED: To support this application.

2448 REVIEW OF CEMETERY AND GARDEN OF REMEMBRANCE FEES

IT WAS AGREED: To increase the fees at the cemetery and garden of remembrance by 3% rounded up to the nearest £1.

2449 FINANCE

The Clerk submitted a schedule of payments in the sum of £730.25 for approval.

IT WAS RESOLVED: That the schedule of payments be signed and the accounts to

which they relate be paid.

It was noted that the current account balance as at 15th November 2021 was £5,878.93 and the reserve account balance was £10,245.69.

The Clerk informed members that the budget process to determine the 2022 precept requirement will commence during the next month.

IT WAS RESOLVED: To include renewing some of the parish benches in the budget and if necessary, repairs to the memorial playing field wall.

FOLLOWING THE EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

2450 SUNNYBANK LICENCE AGREEMENT

IT WAS AGREED: To extend the licence to be renewable every 10 years.

At this point PC Linda Hancock from Bakewell Police Station joined the meeting (being in the village and having been informed by residents that the meeting was taking place).

PC Hancock asked members to encouraged residents to get in touch with any police matters they wished to discuss and to report any suspicious activity via telephone, Twitter or Facebook.

PC Hancock also said that she would recommence sending the monthly crime data to the Council for inclusion at the monthly meetings.

2451 COUNCILLOR APPLICATIONS

It was noted that 2 applications had been received for the role of Parish Councillor.

One of the applications did not contain the information requested and the Clerk stated that she had asked for further information from the applicant.

A vote on whether to defer the Councillor co-option, in order to allow the applicant to submit the further information, was taken, with 3 in favour of the deferment and two against.

IT WAS THEREFORE RESOLVED: To defer the Councillor co-option to the December meeting.

2452 CORRESPONDENCE

It was noted that the following correspondence had been received by the Clerk and circulated to Councillors.

DALC- November newsletter

Tideswell & District Environmental Group's November newsletter

The Clerk circulated an email to members from the Public Space Protection Orders Consultation regarding the decision to remove the alcohol exclusion from the playground.

IT WAS RESOLVED: To respond with evidence of episodes of nuisance, due to alcohol consumption at the playground, and request that the alcohol exclusion remains in force.

The Clerk also stated that the Rights of Way Officer at DCC was looking into whether the motor home parked at Litton Slack was blocking the stile to the side of the metal gate.

There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed at 9.15pm.