

# St Helens Parish Council

Ordinary meeting, Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2020, 6.0 pm at St Helens Community Centre



**Present: Councillors: Chairman J Coleman, J Bacon, V Duckett, and J Spit.**

**Clerk: R Priest**

**Public: IW Cllr B Tyndall and three residents**

## Minutes

**29/20/21 Apologies** – Apologies were received from Cllr Thomson, Cllr Tutton and IW Cllr Murwill.

**30/20/21 Declarations of interest and requests for dispensation –**

- 1/ All members were given dispensation for non-attendance under Covid 19 guidance, covering period of the pandemic and Covid 19 legislation;
- 2/ Members noted declared interests.

**31/20/21 Minutes-**

Cllr Coleman referred to the minutes and Cllr Spit proposed, seconded Cllr Bacon, that the Minutes, and confidential minute, of the meeting held on 28 September 2020 be approved as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

**32/20/21 Chairman's Announcement-**

Cllr Coleman thanked members for attending the meeting under Covid 19 arrangements, and thanked the Community Centre for making the Centre available, and noted the changes in website and IT would enable more information sharing, and thanked Cllr Spit for work on project. Cllr Coleman noted work on Xmas Tree, project with school for Hampers4Homes with part matched funding, and virtual work with National trust for future presentation regarding report from Professor Pye; Cllr Coleman noted events to commemorate the Centenary of the Lych gate and possible project with Community Payback, and the Remembrance events arranged subject to Covid guidance, with school producing poppies.

**33/20/21 Public participation-**

Cllr Tutton's planning comments, on behalf of the Parish, were circulated and supported, and one resident asked about the situation on Guildford Park application, Cllr Bacon updated members, and Cllr Coleman noted work of Cllr Tutton to ensure the views of Residents and the Parish were heard by the Planning Authority.

**34/20/21 Report of Isle of Wight Ward Councillor-**

Cllr Coleman welcomed Cllr Tyndall, who outlined financial pressures on the IW Council caused by Covid situation, and noted the availability of support to local businesses. Cllr Tyndall also noted the pressures on IW Officers, most working from home, and the priority given to pandemic and hope vaccines would be available on the Island before the year end, with planning in place for distribution in 2021.

**35/20/21 Finance-**

a/ The RFO presented the following invoices for authorisation which were **agreed**:

| Chq No | Payee | Amount £ |
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| 300304 | St Helens Community Centre | £41.00   |
| 300305 | Lake Cleaning              | £244.81  |
| 300306 | Sandown TC Admin support   | £525.00  |
| 300307 | Community Action (Oct)     | £224.00  |
| 300308 | Community Action (Nov)     | £224.00  |
| 300309 | FW Marsh (Repairs)         | £1980.45 |
| 300310 | S Hook – Duver Toilets     | £45.00   |
| 300311 | Brighstone Landscaping     | £330.00  |

b/ Members approved Accessibility Statement, now on website.

c/ Members agreed restatement of Budget, and priorities for 2021-22 Budget, and draft budget to be

circulated with papers for next meeting.

d/ The Chair/Vice Chair/RFO updated members of banking arrangements under Covid.

e/ Members noted AGAR update, and circulation of report.

**36/20/21 Planning applications received-** the Council considered the following applications:

a/ Members noted applications made during Covid 19 lockdown.

**37/20/21 Maintenance –**

Members noted actions during lockdown

**38/20/21 Members matters**

a/ **Questions to Council** – there were no questions received.

b/ **Members supported Hampers4Homes project with local school.**

c/ **Clr Coleman outlined project with Church and Lych Gate.**

d/ **Members noted discussion regarding possible new dog bin and would include in Budget discussions.**

**39/20/21 Key Messages -** The Clerk noted key messages for future reports.

**40/20/21 Date of next meeting-**

The date of the next Ordinary meeting, would be subject to future Covid Guidance, and would include setting of precept for 2021-22.

Meeting closed at 7.30pm

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Signed ..... (Chairman) 15 February 2021