LOWICK & SLIPTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting held on Tuesday 3rd December 2019 in The Germain Rooms, Lowick at 7.00pm

Present: Councillors G Britton (Chair), G Edwards, W Childs,

In attendance: Mrs N Phillips (Clerk), 13 x member of public + 1 x minor, Ward Cllr S Hughes

19.12/80	To receive and approve apologies for absence				
	Cllr P Anstee, S Lewis.				
19.12/81	Public participation session				
	Slipton residents requested that the PC review the response made to planning application 19/01271/FUL and take into account the strong feeling of villagers against the proposed closure and redevelopment of the site. A request that the PC also submit an Asset of Community Value nomination for the property was made. Members of the public then left the meeting.				
	Cllr Hugh	nes explained fu	rther about the planning proce	ess, and th	nen left the meeting.
19.12/82	To receive declarations of interest under the Council's Code of Conduct related to business on the agenda.				
		rations received			
19.12/83	To receive and approve for signature the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 21 st August 2019				
			ed by the Chair as a true reco		
19.12/84	To note any matters arising from the minutes not included on this agenda for report only				
		rs arising			
19.12/85	To note that the meeting on November 20 th 2019 was declared inquorate.				
	Inquorate	e meeting noted	and copy of notes/minutes si	gned by C	hair.
19.12/86	To receive and approve the Balance of Accounts/Bank Reconciliation				
	Cllr Britton examined the Bank Reconciliation and the Balance of Accounts.				
	Resolved: Received and approved				
19.12/87	To examine and approve the Bank Statements				
	Cllr Britton examined the bank statements - £1100.54 in the Community Account and £9158.74 in the Premium Account including £1349.31 Pocket Park Funds.				
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19.12/88	To appro	ve and author	ise payment of the following	g invoice:	5
	Cheque	Payee	Item	Amount	Power to Pay
	100432	N A Phillips	Sept/Oct salary, expenses + tax refund and cost of 2 x keys	£308.25	LGA 1972 s 111 + 112
	100433	RBL	2 x poppy wreaths	£50.00	LGA 1972 s 137
	100434	N A Phillips	Nov salary and expenses	£153.32	LGA 1972 s 111 + 112
	100435	BHF	Defibrillator	£600.00	LGA 1972 s 137
	100436	N A Phillips	Dec salary (pre authorised)	£121.92	LGA 1972 s 111
	100437	N A Phillips	Jan salary (pre-authorised)	£121.92	LGA 1972 s 111
	Resolve	d: Cheques 100	0432/33/34 signed by Cllr Britt	on and the	e Clerk on November

	20th. Purchase of defibrillator having previously been resolved Cllr Britton and the Clerk signed the cheque on November 26 th . All other payments authorised.			
19.12/89	To note the transfer of funds from the Premium to Community Account on September 12 th 2019			
	Resolved: Due to problems with the bank mandate this transfer was actioned with the help of the previous clerk.			
19.12/90	To note current credit balance with SSE			
	Currently in credit of £405.51			
19.12/91	Resolved that the Council in accordance with its powers under section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972, should incur the following expenditure which in the opinion of the Council, is in the interests of the area or its inhabitants and will benefit them in a manner commensurate with the expenditure: 2 x poppy wreaths for village war memorials at a cost of no more than £25.00 each, 1 x defibrillator at a cost of £600.00.			
19.12/92	Resolved: All present in favour To review the budget for the year ending 31 st March 2020 and to resolve what			
19.12/92	action if any to be taken Resolved: No action needed as all in order.			
19.12/93	To note the findings of the Internal Finance Control checks			
10112/00	Resolved: Checks carried out by Cllr Anstee on items 003, 017,028 – all found to be in order.			
19.12/94	To set the budget for the year ending March 31 st 2021			
	Resolved: Budget of £5550.00 set – all present in favour			
19.12/95	To set the precept for the year ending March 31 st 2021			
	Resolved: Precept of £6070.00 set – all present in favour.			
19.12/96	To approve and adopt the GDPR Data Map			
	Resolved: Approved and adopted.			
19.12/97	To approve and adopt the Data Protection Policy, Records Retention Policy, data breach Policy and Subject Access Request procedures, and the Privacy Notice for Staff, Councillors and Role Holders.			
	Resolved: Approved and adopted.			
19.12/98	To approve and adopt the General Privacy Notice, and the Privacy Notice for Staff, Councillors and Role Holders.			
19.12/99	Resolved: Approved and adopted. To approve and adopt the Financial Risk Assessments and the general Risk			
19.12/99	Assessments			
19.12/100	Resolved: Approved and adopted. To consider and resolve the council's response to planning applications listed below plus any other planning applications advised by East Northamptonshire Council and available on its website between the circulation of this agenda and the meeting.			
	19/01242/FUL - Erect log cabin structure to the front of property 15 Main St. Lowick			
	19/01645/FUL + 01648/LBC - Reinstatement terrace of cottages following fire, internal alterations to layout and extension to rear at 1 - 3 Sudborough Road Slipton			
	Resolved: No objections received by deadline, the Clerk has notified ENC of same.			

19/01271/FUL - Proposal : Conversion of existing public house to residential and construction of five new residential dwellings at The Samuel Pepys, Slipton Lane Slipton NN14 3AS

Resolved: Taking into account representation made by Slipton residents it was resolved to submit an outright objection to the development in addition to the PCs earlier comments, as well as to submit a request for the property to be nominated as an asset of community value. Clerk to action at the earliest opportunity.

19.12/101

To note response by L&SPC to planning applications received between meetings:

19/01603/TCA – fell 3 Acer trees due to overcrowding in border at 26 Main St Lowick,

19/01660/TCA - Fell: Willow tree; Leylandii; Silver birch; Unknown species; Boundary hedge with 13 Drayton Road; Diseased apple tree Reasons for the work: Threat to listed buildings and boundary fence. Possible damage to drainage, for example roots disturbing underground drainage pipes at 9 Drayton Road Lowick

19/01693/TCA - Eucalyptus Tree - propose removing tree as very overgrown and close to highway and neighbouring properties Conifer Tree - overgrown evergreen. Propose removing the tree because it is close to the highway and is very overgrown at Primrose Cottage 9 - 10 Main Street Slipton

Resolved: No objections received, Clerk notified ENC of same.

19.12/102

To note planning decisions made by ENC

19/01603/TCA – fell 3 Acer trees due to overcrowding in border at 26 Main Street, Lowick, permitted.

19/01693/TCA - Eucalyptus Tree - propose removing tree as very overgrown and close to highway and neighbouring properties Conifer Tree - overgrown evergreen. Propose removing the tree because it is close to the highway and is very overgrown at Primrose Cottage 9 - 10 Main Street Slipton - permitted.

Resolved: Noted

19.12/103

To receive an update on the current situation of the Pocket Park and to resolve how to fund essential work.

Pocket Park money now paid into our Savers account, photocopy of conveyancing document for land received from ACRE but no sign of original document/ minutes to show past resolutions re land. Advice received from NCALC. The Pocket Park Charity will need to be closed if L&SPC takes over responsibility for the park. Work to the matting and need for a tree survey to be carried out discussed and to be carried out at the first opportunity. Discussion on who is available to carry out the weekly safety inspections followed.

Resolved: Cllrs Britton and Edwards to investigate work to matting, Cllr Edwards to investigate tree surgeons. Cllr Britton to find out results of recent fundraising events and arrange for monies to be transferred to the PC account. Clerk to contact insurers to discuss minimum requirement for safety checks, Cllr Britton to canvas residents for volunteers to carry out checks, an offer of free training for those volunteering to carry out the checks has been received.

19.12/104

To resolve that Lowick &Slipton PC take over the responsibility for the care and management of the Lowick Pocket park following the dissolving of the existing charity and transfer of all funds and assets for the upkeep and maintenance to the PC.

	Resolved: all present in agreement to take over responsibility			
19.12/105	To review progress on the installation of the defibrillators and to resolve what			
	action to be taken.			
	One defibrillator ordered under the BHF scheme. The Clerk applied to Cllr S Hughes Members Empowerment Fund for a grant of £500 towards the cost of the cabinet, Cllr			
	Hughes has been able to grant the full amount.			
	Resolved: Cllr Britton to continue to work to bring this project to completion.			
	Defibrillator to be installed at Slipton with one being obtained for Lowick as soon as finance permitted.			
19.12/106	To consider the need to promote candidacy at the May 2020 elections			
	Resolved: Cllr Britton to canvas residents via newsletter subscribers list. Slipton			
	residents who attended meeting informed of current vacancies and need for new Cllrs. To be discussed further at the February meeting.			
19.12/107				
	Resolved: No action needed			
19.12/108	To receive an update on the flood resilience project and to resolve what action if any to be taken			
	Cllr Britton has been identifying land owners of possible problem areas and will			
	continue with this work			
	Resolved: To bring back to the February meeting.			
19.12/109	To give consideration to marking the 75 th anniversary of VE Day on May 7 th 2020			
	Resolved: Clerk to circulate information, to be discussed further at the February meeting.			
19.12/110	To approve and adopt the Training Plan, Training Statement of Intent and Training Record			
	Resolved: Approved and adopted			
19.12/111	To consider investigating possible sources of funding for traffic calming measures and to resolve what action if any to be taken			
	Resolved: To take no further at present but to include an item on highways on each Agenda where this issue can be discussed if felt necessary.			
19.12/112	Correspondence:			
	Invitation to join ACRE, Flood Awareness Week, Armed Forces Covenant			
	Resolved: Flood awareness posters displayed on noticeboards, invitation to join ACRE declined, Clerk to circulate Armed Forces Covenant information and to add to February Agenda if any Cllr requests it.			
19.12/113	To confirm the date of the next meeting as 19 th February 2020			
	Resolved: meeting confirmed			
19.12/114	To close the meeting			
	The meeting closed at 9.10 pm			

Signed: Dated: