LOWICK & SLIPTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 2nd December 2020 at 7.00pm via ZOOM

Present: Councillors G Britton (Chair), A Fenton, D Chipchase, S Gardner, J Beardmore

In attendance: Mrs N Phillips (Clerk) Frances Harris (NACRE)

20.12/304	To receive and approve apologies for absence
	Cllr P Anstree
20.12/305	Resolved: apologies received and approved Public participation session
20.12/303	
	None Frances Harris addressed the PC on the legal side of the Pocket Park answering
	Cllrs' questions and explaining why certain things needed to be carried out. Cllrs
	thanked Frances for joining them, Frances then left the meeting at 7.30pm
20.12/306	To receive declarations of interest under the Council's Code of Conduct
	related to business on the agenda.
20.42/200	None
20.12/309 (moved up agenda)	To discuss the next stages of work concerning the Pocket Park, and to resolve what action to be taken
	 After discussion, and taking into consideration all that Frances had said the following was decided: 1) To register the land with the Land Registry 2) To wind up the Pocket Park charity set up in around 1990 3) To approve a governing document for the charity that came into being when the land was gifted to the PC as a charitable trust. The PC to be the sole trustee. 4) To open a bank account for the Lowick Recreation Ground & Pocket Park. 5) To hold separate meetings as required by the Charities Act 2011.
	In addition it was decided to seek quotes for work identified in the tree survey.
	Resolved: 1) Clerk to seek quotes from solicitors familiar with charity law to carry out this work, 2) Clerk to set process in motion, 3) Clerk to research examples and compile this document ready for approval by the PC, 4) Clerk to arrange bank account, 5) Clerk to prepare agendas and minutes etc. for separate Lowick Recreation Ground & Pocket Park charity meetings which will be held immediately prior to the PC meetings. Cllr Britton and the Clerk to seek quotes for tree work.
20.12/307	In response to the Covid-19 outbreak in the UK and in the event that it is not possible to convene a meeting of the council in a reasonable time, the Clerk shall have delegated authority to make decisions on behalf of the council where such decision cannot reasonably be deferred and must be made in order to comply with a commercial or statutory deadline. The delegation does not extend to matters expressly reserved to the council in legislation or in its Standing Orders or Financial Regulations. Any decisions made under this delegation must be recorded in writing and must be published in accordance with the relevant regulations. This delegated authority ceases upon the first meeting of the council after the council meeting at which the delegation was put in place. Resolved: All in agreement
20.12/308	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.
	Resolved: No applications received therefore no action needed.
20.12/310	To confirm the date of the next meeting as 18 th November 2020
	Resolved: Confirmed as 17 th February 2021
20.12/311	To close the meeting
	The meeting closed at pm

Signed:

Dated: