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Ninfield Full Council Minutes 16th March 2023 Cllrs Present:

Chair K Williamson (KW), J Cheshire (JC), K Crittell (KC) P Coleshill (PC), G Pharo (GP), S Collins (SC) arrived at 19:06

In attendance: J Scarff Clerk, 2 members of the public.

Public Questions:

In accordance with standing orders ten minutes are available for the Public to express a view or ask a question on relevant matters on the following agenda.

2572 KW welcomed everyone to the meeting.

To receive reports from the County and District Cllrs and any questions one these reports. There were no reports.

Business to be transacted.

To receive and accept apologies and reasons for absence in accordance with the Local Government Act 1972 S 85 (1).

Apologies were received and accepted from S Guard (SG) for work reasons & J Langley (JL) & P Holland (PH) for personal reasons.

The district and county councillors had sent apologies.

2575 **Disclosure of Interests**

To receive any disclosure by Members of personal interests in matters on the agenda, the nature of the interest and whether the member regards the interest as prejudicial under the terms of the Revised Code of Members Conduct.

To consider granting any dispensations.

Any changes to register of interests should be notified to the clerk.

There were no interests disclosed.

2576 Exclusion of the Public

To exclude the public for a particular agenda item the following resolution must be passed. 'Under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and representatives of the press and broadcast media be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following items of business as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.'

There was no requirement to pass this resolution.

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2577 **Minutes of previous meeting** to be considered for approval and signed as a true record. The Full Council Meeting of the Full Council 15th December 2022 GP Proposed, JC seconded. All agreed.

Resolved The minutes of the meeting of the Full Council Meeting of the Full Council 15th October 2022 were agreed as a true record and signed by the chairman.

2578 a) To consider a request from Ninfield Bonfire Society to use the recreation ground from Friday 20th – Sunday 22nd October inclusive for the annual village bonfire event.

Resolved that the bonfire society can use the recreation ground as requested.

b) In accordance with the Statutory Instrument, Parish councils (General Power of Competence) Prescribed Order 2012 Ninfield Parish Council resolves that it meets the criteria for eligibility relating to the electoral mandate and relevant training of the clerk and adopts the General Power of Competence.

Resolved The Ninfield Parish Council meets the criteria for eligibility relating to the electoral mandate and relevant training of the clerk and adopts the General Power of Competence.

To hear an update on the neighbourhood plan and agree any actions required. To consider recommendation to approve the following documents which have been updated following the Regulation 14 consultation.

- i. The Draft Plan v 9
- ii. Character Assessment
- iii. Design Guide for Ninfield
- iv. Landscape Study
- v. NPD Results of Questionnaire
- vi. Basic Conditions Statement
- vii. Appendices
- viii. Consultation Statement
- ix. Local Green Space (LGS)
- b) Resolved
- i. The Draft Plan v 9 is approved.
- ii. Character Assessment is approved.
- iii. Design Guide for Ninfield is approved.
- iv. Landscape Study is approved.
- v. NPD Results of Questionnaire is approved.
- vi. Basic Conditions Statement is approved.
- vii. Appendices are approved.
- viii. Consultation Statement is approved.
- ix. Local Green Space (LGS) is approved.
- c) To consider instructing the clerk to write to WDC Head of Legal and request a response to the letter from the barrister on the subject of planning applications.

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d)

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Resolved that the clerk writes to WDC Head of Legal to request a response to the letter from the barrister on the subject of planning applications.

To receive reports from Parish Councillors including those requiring actions to include: To hear feedback, discuss learnings and agree any actions required from the community event held Saturday 4th March 2023.

It was noted that the day was a success for all attendees and that it may be replicated in the future.

To hear an update on the project to site a storage container on the recreation ground and agree to pay the required fee for the planning application.

e) The Planning application is ready to be submitted and it was resolved that the clerk should pay the fee to submit the application.

To consider passing a resolution to sign up to the Civility and Respect Pledge. Resolved that the council agrees to adopt the Civility and Respect Pledge.

To note that the Annual Parish Meeting will take place Monday 15th May 2023 and agree any actions required.

Snacks and drink to be organised as usual.

To note that the Parish and District elections will take place Thursday 4th May 2023. To note that electors in the village are able to apply to become Parish Councillors and that unless 10 or more people apply there will be no election and those who have applied will be automatically elected.

It was duly noted.

To consider a letter from Hadlow Down Parish Council regarding East Sussex Highways and agree a response if appropriate.

Resolved that Ninfield Parish Council will send a response that they support Hadlow Down Parish Council.

Finance Matters

- i. To receive the Statement of Accounts to 28th February 2023 for noting. It was noted.
- ii. To receive a report detailing the bank balances to 28th February 2023 for noting. Noted.
- iii. To receive and agree payment of the schedule of invoices.The payments were noted and all agreed that the clerk pay the invoices.

2579 **Date of next meeting.**

To note the date of the next meeting is The Finance committee Meeting Thursday 20th April 2023, 7pm at the Methodist Hall.

To note the date of the Annual Meeting of the Full Council Monday 15th May 2023, 7pm at the Memorial Hall.

2580 **Correspondence** — to note for possible inclusion on next agenda. Nothing

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KW declared the meeting closed at 20:22