EDMONDSLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Edmondsley Parish Council held on 7 November 2019 at 6.30pm

Present: Cllrs Wheatley (Chair), Curry, Hall, and Armstrong

Also in attendance – Angela Foster (Parish Clerk) and 7 members of the public. County Councillors S Wilson and H Liddle

1. Apologies for Absence:

Cllr Parking

2. New member - the candidate did not turn up, this to be placed on next agenda

3. <u>Disclosable Pecuniary Interest:</u>

Cllr Wheatley declared an interest in agenda item D, but have dispensation so are able to vote/speak.

4. Questions from members of the public:

• Trees overhanging at Jubilee Close – this has been reported several times. The Clerk to speak to Karbon Homes

5. Police Report:

No police present.

6. Minutes of Council meeting:

Resolved: That the minutes of the meeting held on 5 September 2019 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

7. Clerks report:

No report.

8. Parish Matters and on-going items

- The lady who was going to attend to discuss art and craft class did not turn up
- b. Planning applications
 - No applications received
- c. To consider any planning applications received after the agenda was published.
 - No applications received
- d. **Allotments -** Cllr Wheatley gave an update on the allotments. Still one empty plot. No issues raised

Resolved:. Report noted

- e. Future events
 - All arrangements for 7 December were discussed and agreed. The band and buffet is booked.

Resolved: The Clark to purchase the alcohol. It was noted no licence was required.

f. County Councillors Report – Cllr Liddle gave an update

No bollards are allowed at Braeside. She has passed to a different department to see if any other solutions. The high conifers at Braeside are in hand.

- g. Defibrillator/boiler update The defibrillator has been delivered. The money from the County Councillors budget will be in the bank soon. The Clerk to contact the electrician for fitting. The boiler form are with DCC
- *h.* **Accounts -** The Clerk distributed the bi-monthly accounts for approval

Resolved: Bank reconciliation, budget, cash book, bank statement and petty cash were approved by all members and Cllr Curry signed

- i. Policies to adopt
 - Grants

Resolved: It was agreed to approve the policy with no amendments

- j. **Trees in parish grounds** The Clerk has requested another company to give a quote
- k. Quotes for hall A flooring company has given a quote of £2,784 for non slip flooring. Further quotes to be arranged. To note the funding stream in unavailable. Installing a new kitchen was discussed.

2 quotes for shutters from £7,000 to £10,000.

Resolved: It was agreed to go with laying the floor out of the Parish funds. The Clerk to get other quotes. It was agreed not to go for shutters. The Clerk to get costs for installing kitchen.

I. Christmas lights - A quote to install the Xmas lights was received from £3,400. Cllrs Liddle and Wilson would purchase the lights. Purchasing two 6" trees in pots was discussed as an alternative

Resolved: It was agreed not to get lights on the tree as the tree in question looks unhealthy. It was agreed to get 2 pots and place trees in. Cllr Liddle to see if trees can be donated and cost for supplying 2 sturdy pots. She will also see if they will be allowed on Council land.

- m. **Children's playing sign** The sign has been removed but the pole still exists. It was agreed to leave the pole in place for now
- n. Draft budget The Clerk distributed the draft budget for discussion. This to be finalised at the January meeting where the precept will be set
- o. Correspondence
 - Royal Garden Party no councillors wish to be nominated
- p. Correspondence since agenda was published:

Nothing received

q. Urgent issues for noting (the Clerk to use delegated powers) and any items Councillors wish to agenda for next meeting

10 Financial Matters

(a) Payments

Resolved: That the following payments be agreed:

- (1) That the sum of £549.26 be paid to Mrs A Foster (September/October)
- (2) That the sum of £134.40 be paid direct from clerk to HMRC (September/October)
- (3) That the sum of £82.00 be paid via S/O to E-on electricity
- (4) That the sum of £113.90 be paid to Mrs E Curry (September/October)
- (5) That the sum of £28.40 be paid to HMRC (September/October) (E Curry via Mrs A Foster)
- (6) That the sum of £106.00 be paid to SLCC clerks subs
- (7) That the sum of £105.00 be paid to Aztec newsletter
- (8) That the sum of £250.00 be paid to Sacriston Deli
- (9) That the sum of £60.00 be paid to Lanchester Brass Band
- (10) That the sum of £139.80 be paid to Mrs E Curry reimbursement for plants and compost

(b) Receipts

Resolved: That the following receipts be noted:

- (1) That the sum of £96.00 was received from Judo
- (2) That the sum of £48.00 was received from Wrestler
- (3) That the sum of £243.00 was received from After school club

9. Date of Next Meeting

Thursday 9 January 2020 to commence at 6.30pm - to note one week later

Terminated at 7.30pm

Chairman Date