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CLIFFSEND PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Cliffsend Parish Council meeting held at 13.00pm on Saturday 22nd
June 2019 in the Cliffsend Village Hall.**

Present: Councillors P. Francis-Cable (Chairman), M. Galvin, J.Hellyer, Ms. K.Lyon,
Ms. N. Mortimer & M. Rogers

Also Present: Roy Wade (Locum Clerk) and 10 residents.

Apologies for absence: Councillor Ms. S. Chapman.

CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME

The Chairman opened the meeting and gave the usual safety and precautionary guidance.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

A declarations of interest was made by

Cllr. Hellyer - Cliffsend in Bloom Minute No 44/19-20,

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on 13th June 2019, as amended, be approved and signed by the Chairman.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

- (a) **Agenda item 44/19 – 20 Cliffsend in Bloom** - The Chairman summarised that that Council had authorised the spend of £200 for bedding plants to be planted outside the Village Hall. Due to the representations made by the Village Hall Committee in the previous meeting, this was deferred to today's meeting in the hope that the Village Hall Committee and the Parish Council could come to an agreement on a planting arrangement.

The Village Hall Committee's view had not changed their view and rejected the Chairman's proposal of spending £200 on bedding plants around the edge of the grass area and the removal of the plastic black bollards outside the village hall.

The Chairman noted that this land is owned by TDC in which both parties have permission to plant on.

The Chairman noted that both parties need to take into account the wider communities views and wishes and evidenced that all 60 participants of a recent Facebook Poll was fully supportive of the Chairman's proposal that would compliment the recent flower boxes.

The Chairman sought each Councillors view on the matter with all members expressing concerns about the failure of each party to come to an agreement on this matter. Due to these concerns it was decided by the Council that no bedding plants are to be planted on the green outside of the Village Hall until a compromise is agreed with the Village Hall Committee.

- (b) Despite the previous resolution for the authorisation of bedding plants, the clerk advised the Council should be more specific where the plants should be purchased.

RESOLVED: That (i) the £200 budgeted for the purchase of bedding plants/perennials/Bulbs be purchased from Wyevale, Rosemary's Nurseries, Lidl or an appropriate local store

- (c) **Agenda item 44/19-20 Mission Statement/Use of Social Media-** The Chairman summarised the greater use of social media sites to publicise and seek residents' views on their visions for the future and on initiatives being considered by the Council. The Locum Clerk reported that Council's were being urged by district audit to make greater use of social media sites to ensure that residents are fully aware of the direction and policies of local councils. The Chairman had produced a Social Media Policy for the Council to adopt before Social Media accounts were created.

RESOLVED: The Social Media Policy was adopted with the Moderator nominated as the Chairman.

- (d) **Agenda item 44/19 – 20 – Mission Statement – Community Engagement/Online/Paper Survey –** The Chairman gave a brief report on the logistics of implementing a community engagement plan. An outlined timeframe was given and the opportunity for all members to discuss and query the timeframe and costs. No decisions needed to be made and that he would report to the next meeting on the agreed timetable and costings for the scheme.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS

A member of the audience asked about the proposals to enhance the Old Hall Drive Green and the Chairman responded that the survey to be undertaken would identify measures for improvements.

Time concluded: 13.55