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# Minutes of the Brookenby Parish Council Meeting held at 7.00 pm at the Community Centre, Kent Road, Brookenby on 6th June 2023

Present: Cllr R. Purdy, Cllr S. Turnbull, Cllr B. Preece, Cllr S. Coulam, Cllr N. Tracey, Cllr L. Fraser,

Cllr S. Sumnall,

In Attendance: Chris Bowles (Clerk), Cllr T. Smith (LCC & WLDC),

Members of public present: 10

#### 1 Public Session – 15 Minutes – Ref 2690

A member of the public asked about the electrical certification at the Community Centre. An electrician has been engaged to complete this.

2 To receive apologies for absence – Ref 2691

None

- 3 To receive declarations of interest under the Localism Act 2011 being any pecuniary or nonpecuniary interest in agenda items not previously on members Register of Interests. - Ref: 2692 None
- 4 To receive any reports from external organisations Ref: 2693
- a) Lincolnshire Police Ref: 2694 No report available
- b) Cllr T Smith LCC and WLDC Ref: 2695 Cllr Smith updated the meeting on Road signs, road resurfacing at Kirmond Le Mire and the maintenance responsibility for the road circle outside the community centre
- 5 To approve the minutes of the Council Meeting held on 17/05/23 Ref: 2696
  It was resolved to approve these as a true record. Proposed: Cllr S. Turnbull Seconder: Cllr S.Coulam. All in favour.
- To approve the revised minutes of the Council Meeting held on 01/05/23 Ref: 2697
  It was resolved to approve these as a true record. Proposed: Cllr S. Sumnall Seconder: Cllr L. Fraser. 5 in favour, 2 Abstentions
- 7 Finance Report Ref 2698

It was resolved to approve the payment of the Premium to Zurich Insurance of £1163.16 – **Ref 2699** Proposed Cllr S. Sumnall, Seconded Cllr S. Turnbull

It was resolved to approve the payment of the electricity bill to Brookwold of 564.77 – **Ref 2700** Proposed Cllr S. Coulam, Seconded Cllr S. Turnbull

- To discuss Tracking Report outstanding Issues and resolve on any action to be taken Ref
  It was felt that the tracking report had not prevented issues disappearing from the agenda before
  they were resolved so the use of the existing tracking system would be discontinued.
- 9 To discuss Brookenby Allotments and resolve on any action to be taken Ref 2702 There was a brief discussion of the progress made by the Allotments Association and of options for the provision of water to the allotment holders. Cllr Purdy asked the Clerk to arrange a meeting between the Association and the Council to discuss options in detail.

#### 10 To discuss Benches and resolve on any action to be taken- Ref 2703

As this action had been not being progressed, despite it being earlier resolved to place benches, it was resolved to increase the funds available to £500. Proposed: Cllr S Turnbull Seconder: Cllr N Tracey. All in favour. The Allotments Association kindly offered to install the benches

#### 11 To discuss Trees and resolve on any action to be taken- Ref 2704

A report previously received had identified that a Poplar tree outside the Community Centre was dead and should be removed. The clerk was instructed to see if a suitably experienced and qualified individual would remove it in exchange for being allowed to keep and sell the wood.

**12** To discuss Community Centre issues and resolve on any action to be taken - Ref 2705 It was recognised that there was no documented system for setting fees for the use of the Community Centre or requiring hirers' insurance. The Clerk was instructed to present to Council a briefing paper on comparative charging models.

## 13 To discuss recent resignation of Staff Member and resolve on any action to be taken – Ref 2706

Sarah McCready, who had been the cleaner for many years, had resigned effective from the end of June and the Council wished record its thanks to her for her efforts over the years. Following a discussion it was resolved that Councillors S Coulam and S Sumnall would form a working party to draw up terms of reference for her replacement. The job would initially be for 5 hrs per week.

#### 14 To discuss the Binbrook Bomb Rugby Tournament and resolve on any action to be taken-Ref 2707

The Chair gave an update on the event and encouraged Brookenby residents to attend and support on 7<sup>th</sup> June.

### 15 Clerk's Report - Correspondence Received

The clerk gave an update on correspondence received, the majority of which had been disclosed during the discussions on other matters.

Date of the Next Meeting will be 04/07/23

Meeting closed at 7.46 pm