MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 6TH OCTOBER 2020 REMOTELY BY VIDEO CONFERENCE AT 7:30PM.

PRESENT: Mr B Forbes (Chairman) Mrs S Hughesdon (Vice Chairman) Dr I Gibson Mrs C Jarvis Mr A Palin and Mrs C Steggles, 0 members of the public, Mrs C Marsh (Clerk)

Due to the current pandemic, The Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020 came into force on 4th April 2020. The regulations provide Councils with the power to hold their Council and Committee meetings remotely, by electronic means, between 4th April 2020 and 6th May 2021.

- 84 <u>Apologies</u> Mrs T Mugridge Mr O O'Grady
- 85 <u>Public Participation</u> None
- 86 <u>Declarations of Personal and Disclosable Pecuniary Interests</u> None
- 87 <u>Chairman's Announcements</u> None
- 88 <u>The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting</u> held on 1st September 2020, as circulated, were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.
- 89 Matters currently being pursued by the Clerk

The price for the WWI benches has increased by $\pounds 229.00 + VAT$. The cost of the bench has increased by $\pounds 115.00$ plus there is a charge of $\pounds 170.00$ for two benches being delivered and the cost for a set of underground leg extensions for securing into a soft standing is $\pounds 29.00$, all exclude VAT. Tulleys Farm have agreed to the increase, the Clerk is just waiting to hear back from Cox Skips. She will report their response at the next meeting.

The 24 hour 20mph TRO for part of East Street, North Street, Selsfield Road, Church Road and all of Lion Lane and the Community Highway Bid, again for 20mph, have been submitted.

Following the Village Sign being blown over in the recent winds, the Estate have kindly agreed to donate the wood, however, a small cost of $\pounds 35.00 + VAT$ is being charged for it to be cut to size offsite and delivered back to the Estate yard because they no longer have a sawmill. Mr O'Grady has kindly agreed to reattach the sign and flower basket and then return the sign to the Village Green.

90 <u>Planning Applications</u> It was RESOLVED that MSDC be informed that:

> DM/20/2619 The Rheedings, East Street The Parish Council supports this planning application

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- DM/20/3228 Worth Hall Farmhouse, Turners Hill Road The Parish Council supports this planning application
- DM/20/3131 31 Hill House Close The Parish Council supports this planning application
- DM/20/3326 8 Newstone Cottages, East Street The Parish Council supports this planning application
- DM/20/3406 Shamrock Cottage, North Street The Parish Council would like it taken into consideration that this site is within the Conservation Area (DP34 and DP35) and are concerned with the height of the gate (DP26). Otherwise they support this planning application.
- 91 <u>Report on Previous Applications</u> DM/20/1846 Rashes Farm, Selsfield Road Permission

DM/20/2495 Worth Abbey, Paddockhurst Road The discharge of conditions 3, 4 and 5 were approved, however, they were unable to formally discharge condition 7 because the details set out in the 'Written Scheme of Investigation for Archaeological Watching Brief by Wessex Archaeology (ref: 230783.1, July 2020) and 'Archaeological Watching Brief by Wessex Archaeology (ref: 230783.3, August 2020) are acceptable. However, as the reports reflect only the first phase of the work, this condition cannot yet be fully discharged, in order to secure the remaining phase of evaluation work.

DM/20/2625 Nobs Wood, East Street

Permission

- 92 <u>Minutes of the Finance Virtual Meeting</u> held on 22nd September 2020, as circulated, were noted.
- 93 <u>Village Christmas Tree</u> It was RESOLVED that this year the Parish Council would not be erecting a Christmas Tree on the Village Green. This decision was taken due to the fact that the Christmas Tree could not be erected safely, following Government Guidance on Social Distancing due to the current pandemic. Therefore this year the Parish Council would be asking residents to have a Seasonal Festive Display either in their front gardens or window/s at the front of their home. A prize would be given of £30.00 for what the Parish Council considers to be the best, £20.00 for second and £10.00 for third. The judging would be undertaken by Mr Forbes, Mrs Mugridge, Mr O'Grady and Mr Palin on Saturday 12th December and prize winners will be notified the following week.

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- 94 <u>MSDC Consultation on Public Space Protection Orders</u> It was RESOLVED that the Parish Council would support MSDC's plan to extend the Public Space Protection Orders by a further three years.
- 95 <u>Government Consultation on the Planning White Paper</u> It was RESOLVED to add the suggestions provided by Dr Gibson to the response on the Planning White Paper Consultation and then submit it.
- 96 <u>Government Consultation on Transparency and Competition</u> It was RESOLVED to submit the suggested response to the Transparency and Competition Consultation.

97 <u>Accounts Due for Payment</u>

It was resolved that:

- 1. The Accounts shown on the schedule as being due for payment be paid and
- 2. The Accounts shown on the schedule as being paid since the meeting held on 1st September 2020, be approved.
- 3. The Accounts schedule was duly signed.
- 98 <u>Correspondence</u>

MSDC have advised that they will not be resuming their mobile refuse freighters at The Ark and Turners Hill Park following a review. The Coronavirus pandemic has meant that the decision has been taken with immediate effect. However, three other factors have supported this decision and they are:

- Collections do not allow for waste to be kept separate and recycled or reused, therefore, not meeting the objectives of the waste hierarchy which is incorporated in UK law via the Waste Regulations (England and Wales) 2012.
- Users of the service who bring along household waste and garden waste can use MSDC's bulky waste and garden waste services.
- There are two Household Waste Recycling Sites within Mid Sussex where residents can also dispose of any additional waste items. Social Distancing measures are in place at these sites, whereas enforcing social distancing at temporary sites is difficult and MSDC need to ensure the services they provide can be controlled to support Government guidance.

The Clerk has been asked to add this item to the Parish News together with links to Bulky Waste and Garden Waste Services and also a link to the Household Waste Recycling Sites. She will also advise that residents check the days and times of opening of these sites in order that they do not have a wasted journey.

The Clerk advised of various road closures around the village relating to carriageway patching and advised that alternative routes for traffic will be signed on site prior to closure.

99 Confidential Item

Meeting closed at 8:32pm

SignedChairman PAGE 3 3rd November 2020