## MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2021 REMOTELY BY VIDEO CONFERENCE AT 7:30PM.

PRESENT: Mr B Forbes (Chairman) Mrs S Hughesdon (Vice Chairman) Mrs C Jarvis 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 4<sup>th</sup> April 2020. The regulations provide Councils with the power to hold their Council and Committee meetings remotely, by electronic means, between 4<sup>th</sup> April 2020 and 6<sup>th</sup> May 2021.

- 191 Apologies Mrs T Mugridge Mr O O'Grady Mr A Palin Dr I Gibson (Absent)
- 192 Public Participation None
- 193 Declarations of Personal and Disclosable Pecuniary Interests None
- 194 <u>Chairman's Announcements</u> The Chairman advised he had received an e-mail from Revd Canon David Tickner MBE informing him that the Bishop had decided that All Saints' Church Crawley Down would merge with St. Leonard's Church at some point this year and at that time Canon David's position will cease. Although discussions are at an early stage, Canon David wanted to alert the Parish Council that when other Parish Churches have combined, the Parish magazines tend to combine into a single publication and if Turners Hill wanted to retain their own Parish News, plans would need to be started for the Village to take it over. The Chairman explained that the Parish Office would be not be able to take over the publication of the Parish News because the Officers did not have the time.
- 195 <u>The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting</u> held on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2021, as circulated, were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.
- 196 <u>Matters currently being pursued by the Clerk</u> The Clerk has written and withdrawn the Parish Councils resignation from the West Sussex Association of Local Councils.
- 197 <u>Planning Applications</u> It was RESOLVED that MSDC be informed that:
  - DM/21/0620 Worth School, Paddockhurst Road The Parish Council feels this is best left to the Planning Officer who they believe will consult with the Fire Brigade and Health and Safety Executive regarding the LPG storage tanks before making a decision on the variation of this condition.

- DM/21/0849 Worth Abbey, Paddockhurst Road The Parish Council supports this planning application.
- DM/21/0985 Turners Hill Park, Nightingale Lane The Parish Council supports this planning application, however, they expect replacement native tree species to be planted to replace those that are felled.
- 198 Report on Previous Applications

DM/21/0014	Turners Hill Burial Ground, Turners Hill Road	Permission
DM/21/0177	Nobs Wood, East Street	Permission
DM/21/0378	Seaview Cottage, Selsfield Road	Permission
DM/20/3174	Rashes Farm, Selsfield Road	Permission
DM/20/3176	Rashes Farm, Selsfield Road	Permission
DM/21/0603	Turners Hill C of E Primary School, Church Road	No Objection
DM/21/0229	5 Newstone Cottages, East Street	Permission
DM/21/0232	5 Newstone Cottages, East Street	Permission
DM/21/0466	6 Jay Walk	Permission

- 199 <u>The Local Government Boundary Commission for England's Consultation on</u> <u>Ward Boundaries for Mid Sussex</u> It was RESOLVED that the Clerk would again e-mail all Members the documents and ask for their thoughts to be returned to her in order that she can collate them. This topic will be added to the May agenda for further discussion and final resolution.
- 200 <u>The Local Authority Remote Meetings: Call for Evidence</u> It was RESOLVED that the Clerk would again e-mail all Members the documents and ask for them to give their answers to all 11 questions and return them to her in order that she can collate the result. This topic will be added to the May agenda for further discussion and final resolution.
- 201 <u>Minutes of the MSALC AGM</u> held on 4<sup>th</sup> March 2021, as circulated, were noted.
- 202 <u>Minutes of the Gatwick Keeping in Touch with the Community Meeting</u> held on 11<sup>th</sup> March 2021, as circulated, was noted.
- 203 <u>Report on the Mid Sussex Health and Wellbeing Meeting</u> held on 25<sup>th</sup> March 2021, as circulated, was noted.
- 204 <u>To Review Insurance Cover</u> It was RESOLVED that the insurance cover and items insured was adequate.

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## 205 Accounts Due for Payment

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 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2021, be approved.
- 3. The Accounts schedule was duly signed.
- 206 <u>Correspondence</u> The Clerk advised that a letter had been received from Luke Hall MP regarding Local Authority Meetings. The Government will not be extending the regulations for meetings to be held remotely on or after 7<sup>th</sup> May 2021. He appreciated that there may be concerns about holding face-to-face meetings and that ultimately it is for the local authorities to apply the Covid-19 guidance to ensure meetings take place safely. The Clerk noted in the letter that whilst the Council has a legal obligation to ensure that members of the public can access most of the meeting, the Government would encourage the Parish Council to continue to provide remote access to minimise the need for the public to attend meetings physically until at least 21<sup>st</sup> June 2021 when it is anticipated that all restrictions on indoor gatherings will have been lifted in line with the Government Roadmap.

Following this guidance, the Council agreed that the Annual Parish Assembly would be held remotely on 18<sup>th</sup> May 2021.

Mid Sussex District Council (MSDC) are running a simple online poll in order to find out what local people want following the consultation for the play area improvements held in December 2020 which revealed a desire for a skate facility and outdoor fitness plus there have been enquiries regarding the basketball loop. MSDC are particularly interested in teenagers completing the survey so they can get a feel for what they would really like because some of the Section 106 money passed to MSDC from the recent developments in the Village is specifically for youths/teenagers.

Meeting closed at 20:23 pm

Signed .....Chairman

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