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MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, 10TH NOVEMBER, 2020, AT 7.00.P.M., BY ZOOM, TO TRANSACT THE FOLLOWING BUSINESS

AGENDA

2020/11/1 Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor S. Jones. Councillor P. Hodgson sent apologies for not attending the beginning of the meeting as he was in attendance at another meeting.

2020/11/2 To receive any declarations of interest in an Agenda item. Councillors Buckley, Hopkinson and Silverwood declared a personal interest in Item 20/20/11.

2020/11/3 To accept as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of the Town Council held on Tuesday, 13th October, 2020. Agreed.

2020/11/4 To receive the Minutes, if any, and determine recommendations made by the LPAOS meeting. This item was deferred until later on in the agenda.

2020/11/5 To receive the Minutes, if any, and determine recommendations made by the Staffing Committee. There were no minutes as meetings had not taken place. The Mayor advised Council that she was hopeful that the vacant posts would be advertised in the near future.

2020/11/6 There were no minutes available to the meeting but the following recommendations were made.

- (i) Update on new Council domain name. Agreed.
- (ii) Update on councillor email addresses. Noted.
- (iii) Update on new Council website. It was agreed that Ms. Jayne Gregson of Property World, be invited to attend the meeting to be held on 17.11.20.
- (iv) Discuss the installation of fixed line broadband at Wm. Segar Hodgson Pavilion. Agreed at a cost of £30.00., per month.

2020/11/7 To receive Reports (for information only)

- (i) Police Report.
 - (a) The meeting discussed correspondence received from SAAB Garage, Station Road, Kirkham, the Mayor stated that arrests had been made as a result of complaints made to the police by the Council.
 - (b) The Mayor advised the meeting that she had been in correspondence with the Leader of Fylde Borough Council regarding the increased anti-social behaviour within the town, she said that this had been discussed with the police and, as a result, assurances had been given that the police will be targeting, and taking youths home to parents with the warning that if they are found to be misbehaving again they will receive a fine.
 - (c) The Mayor reported that she had received complaints about graffiti on the Rail Station walls, she advised that she had contacted Fylde Borough Council to ask them to clean the graffiti off the wall as soon as possible.



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(d) Crime Report. Council discussed the content of the Report.

Mayor's Announcements.

- (a) The Mayor advised that a letter had been received from Kirkham and Rural Fylde ex-Round Tablers asking for a donation to their Christmas fund raising efforts in respect of Kirkham Food Bank, Kirkham C.A.B., and the Sunny Bank Adult Training Centre. It was agreed that the Council could not support the request on this occasion as the Council already supports the Food Bank and Kirkham C.A.B., and it was suggested that the Sunny Bank Adult Training Centre be advised about the Community Grant Scheme.
- (b) The Mayor advised Council that the Lancashire Resilience Group had contacted the Council to ask permission to use the car park at Wm Segar Hodgson Playing Fields in order to set up a mobile testing unit, the Council ratified the decision to allow this use.

2020/11/8 Finances

- (i) To agree accounts for October. Agreed.
- (ii) To agree payment of invoices. Agreed.

2020/11/9 To ratify the decisions made on the following Planning applications. Application 20/0758 Land at Rear of Willow Glen, 96 Dowbridge, Kirkham. The Council has no objections but request that the conditions placed on a previous application be put in place.
Application 20/0746 2 Wyre Avenue, Kirkham. No objections.

2020/11/10 To consider the following planning applications. None had been received.

2020/11/4 To determine recommendations made by the LPAOS Committee. Councillor Hodgson arrived at the meeting.

Barnfield Building.

1. To approve the required work to pass an Electrical and Emergency Lighting Inspection to obtain a Certificate as quoted in the sum of £1,004.00. Agreed.
2. To approve installation of door frame and door to the electric meter cupboard in the sum of £185.00. Agreed.
3. To approve patch repair to rendering on exterior of building in the sum of £490.00. Agreed.

Town End Gardens.

1. To replace faulty electrical supply for the crib and lights in the sum of £535.00. Agreed.
2. To approve the annual installation and removal of Christmas lights at Town End Gardens in the sum of £550.00.



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Tree Works – St. George’s Woodland

1. To ratify approval for tree works as per the quotation from Ken Linford in the sum of £16,600.00.
2. To approve tree survey in the sum of £2000.00

Other Woods

1. To approve a tree survey on Wrangway Brook Wood in the sum of £1000.00
2. To approve a tree survey on Station Road Wood in the sum of £1600.00
3. To approve a tree survey on Memorial and People’s Park Wood in the sum of £1000.00

2020/11/11 Kirkham Christmas Lights Group – request for funding. (See attached correspondence).

The Council considered the request for the Council to fund provision and installation of the Christmas lights and it was resolved that the Council would fund the large tree in the Market Square, 17 trees around the Market Square and the electrical contractor’s installation and electrical test costs.

The Council was also asked, through the Community Fund, to agree a grant of £300.00., to fund new icicle lights for the Market Square and Kirkgate. Agreed.

It was also noted that the Council would, as usual, light up Town End gardens.

2020/11/12 Discuss Booking at Wm Segar Hodgson by Mr James Gelson. (see attached correspondence)

The Mayor advised the Council that Fylde Borough Council had advised the Town Council not to proceed with this booking due to the CORONAVIRUS 19 restrictions. Noted.

2020/11/13 Public Spaces Protection Order for Open Spaces of the Town. Councillor Hodgson advised Council that Fylde Borough Council had decided to leave the Orders as they are for the present time. Noted.

2020/11/14 To authorise a review of Standing Order and Council Policies by an outside body.

The Mayor advised Council that, prior to the appointment of a Town Clerk, it would be advisable to have all our Standing Orders and Policies reviewed. Agreed.

Time and Date of the next meeting – 8th December, 2020.

Signed

Liz Oades
Town Mayor