ST LEONARDS & ST IVES PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting of the Full Council Minutes of the Meeting Held on Monday 15th November 2021 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall, Braeside Road, St Leonards

Present: Cllr A Davies, ChairmanCllr K GawlerCllr B Goringe (Arrived Cllr JB ParkerCllr Mrs U LucasCllr JW Parker20:05)Cllr Mrs S MarshallCllr Mrs M Goringe

In attendance: Mr Jonathan Ross, Parish Clerk.

Prior to the meeting the Chairman and Clerk attended a virtual discussion group meeting with Cllr B Waugh. The details of the discussion were reported by the Chairman during the meeting.

Public Open Forum: None present.

- 62. Pecuniary Interests: None declared
- **63. Apologies:** Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Mrs Waugh, Cllr Dyer, Cllr Hindmarch, Cllr Bryan.
- 64. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 18th October 2021 were agreed as a true and accurate record. Proposed by Cllr K Gawler, seconded by Cllr J W Parker, agreed.

RESOLVED: The minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on 18th October 2021 were adopted.

65. Matters arising from the Minutes: Allied Irish Bank – Letter to close account despatched 9.11.2021

66. Correspondence to be noted:

- 1. Minutes of the VHMC 20.05.21;15.07.21;16.09.21 received copies available on request
- 2. Copy of the insurance certificate for the Village Hall received.
- **67.** Minutes of the Planning meeting held on 14th October 2021 to formally adopt the approved Minutes of the meeting. Proposed by Cllr JB Parker and Seconded by Cllr K Gawler, agreed. Cllr A Davies wished it to be noted that he had abstained from voting on planning application 3/21/1382/HOU because he knew an objector and not the applicant.

RESOLVED: the previously approved minutes of the Planning meeting held on 14th October 2021 were formally adopted.

68. Finance:

1. Payment Schedules

Members agreed to approve the list of payments for October and November 2021. Proposed by Cllr Mrs S Marshall, seconded by Cllr K Gawler. The Payment Schedules can be viewed at Appendix A to these minutes in the minute book.

RESOLVED: The list of payments and direct debits from EP00155 to EP00191 on the schedules provided were approved.

2. Bank Reconciliation

Members agreed to approve the bank reconciliation for end October 2021. Proposed by Cllr JB Parker, seconded by Cllr Mrs S Marshall. The Bank Reconciliation can be viewed at Appendix B to minutes these in the minute book. **RESOLVED: The bank reconciliation for the end of October 2021 was approved.**

- 3. CiLCA payment to Clerk. Members agreed to reimburse the Clerk £400 for the completion of the CiLCA qualification, as per terms of the agreed contract of employment. Proposed by Cllr JW Parker, Seconded by Cllr JB Parker, agreed. RESOLVED: The clerk to be reimbursed £400 for completion of the CiLCA qualification, as per terms of the agreed contract of employment.
- **69.** Budget Vs Expenditure Members received the budget Vs expenditure figures for the end of the third quarter. Duly noted.

70. Grants for Outside Bodies Village Hall Grant for 2022/2023

Members received and discussed the grant application from the Village Hall Management Committee for 2022/2023. A sum of £10,000 has been allocated in the precept calculation for 2022/2023 as that is the sum historically given. Members approved The VHMC's request for a grant of £10,000 for 2022/2023. Proposed by Cllr K Gawler, Seconded by Cllr JW Parker, agreed. Cllr Mrs M Goringe abstained as she is a trustee of the VHMC.

RESOLVED: Members approved the VMHC's request of a grant of £10,000 for 2022/2023.

71. Clerks Report

1. The Clerk is still obtaining quotes for the various works to remove the gravel from under the zip wire, replace it with tiger mulch and turf and associated enabling works. Funding for these works has been previously approved. No date has been set for their commencement. It was agreed that some daffodil and iris bulbs would be planted in the topsoil so that in the spring the playpark would look attractive.

2. Dog Bin theft, damage and repair

The PC recently approved £1000 to carry out the installation of four new larger dog waste bins. A meeting took place between the Clerk and Dorset Waste Partnership manager to agree the works. The meeting reassessed all dog waste bins in the area. As a result, a full rationalisation of dog waste bin provision has been undertaken. This has resulted in a further 4 larger bins being recommended. This will result in additional installation works but a reduced cost has been negotiated with the PC's lengthsman. It is anticipated that there will be an additional cost of between £600 to £800. The Clerk will report back with the exact cost. The work is planned to take place between now and the first few months of 2022. The overall result of the rationalisation is that we will have a greater capacity for dog waste and general waste and have bins in more easily accessible locations.

3. The Clerk advised that the financial software the PC currently uses needs to be reassessed. The assistant Clerk is preparing a report on this with options and recommendations, which will be submitted to full council in January 2022.

4. The nursery have submitted a request for a new fixed advertising sign to be placed at the entrance to the Village Hall complex. The Chairman requested that further details and a visual representation are required before members could consider the request. The Clerk will bring the proposal to full council in January 2022.

72. Brief Reports from Dorset Council Members – circulated by email and in paper at the meeting. Cllr B Goringe 's report can be viewed at Appendix C to these minutes in the minute book. Cllr R Bryan's report can be viewed at Appendix D to these minutes in the minute book.

73. Parish Councillors' Reports: The Chairman informed members that he recently attended the DAPTC AGM on Sat 13th November 2021. The meeting lasted for 4 hours and many varying topics were discussed. In brief they were:

- 1. The new police commissioner aims to make improvements to safety in Dorset.
- 2. There was discussion on code of conduct with Parish and Town Councils.
- 3. There will be a small cost increase for DAPTC membership.
- 4. Three motions were proposed, they were:
 - a. Sanctions be established to censure any bad behaviour by Councillors.
 - b. Enhancements be made to tree protection measures and hedgerow protection in addition to TPOs.
 - c. That planning department neighbour letters and yellow notices be fully reinstated.

74. Amenities: Nothing to report

75. Climate Change. The new Environment Act was discussed and hopes are that it will encourage and improve the retention of trees and shrubs in the area.

76. Residents Survey – link.

Dorset Council are conducting a resident's survey which can be found at the following link.

https://www.research.net/r/dorsetenewletter?utm_source=Dorset+Council&utm_camp aign=808bba9ccb-

EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2020_03_17_03_03_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term =0_bc36c80975-808bba9ccb-439366250

77. Exchange of information:

- 1. Next meeting will be in January 2022, date to be confirmed by the Clerk.
- 2. There are several issues concerning the Youth Club that need addressing. These will be taken to the next PC Youth Club meeting in January 2022.

Meeting ended at 8.30pm,

Chairman