PASTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on Thursday 1st November 2018 in the Church, Paston

Present: N Bardswell (Chairman), M Brett, P Clabon, C Emberson, D McKeough, D

L Nicholson; in attendance (p/time) Cllr B Smith (NNDC), Cllr E Maxfield (NCC)

and two MODP officers.

- 1. The Chairman welcomed all those present and following the announcement of the death of Cllr W Northam the Council fell silent for a period of thanks in his memory.
- 2. <u>Declarations of interest</u> MB re item 6.4 (payments).
- 3. The <u>minutes</u> of the Ordinary Meeting held on Thursday 6th September 2018 were approved, proposer DMcK, all in favour and signed.
- 4. Matters arising
- 4.1 <u>NCC Highways/ footpaths</u> items from the last meeting had been passed to NCC and the 'playground' sign would be replaced probably next year. NCC had confirmed that a section of Footpath No 6 would be included on the Definitive Map. The Clerk would ask NCC about redressing Chapel Road.
- 4.2 NNDC nil further
- 5. Planning no business

The meeting was adjourned to hear from ClIr BS who reflected on the many years of council service by Wyndham Northam. The MODP officers introduced themselves and offered to action any concern from the Council within their remit. ClIr EM talked about financial constraints at NCC and how this was impacting roads maintenance and business rates. He referred to children's services and advised that NCC was opening four new special schools. The meeting resumed,

6. Finance

- 6.1 <u>Finance Report</u>— the Clerk had been advised that the street lighting had been inspected and cleaned with no defects found. Re-enrolment is required by the Pensions Regulator. Income item the 2nd half precept [£2849] had been received (£2677 precept, £172 grant)
- 6.2 To review the <u>budgets for 2018-2019 and 2019-2020</u> these had been circulated to members and were discussed. The need to place income more in line with expenditure was recognised. The actual grant next year had been confirmed as £314; CE proposed they be adopted, all agreed.

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6.3 To determine the <u>Council's precept for 2019-2020</u> – following discussion then a proposal by PC the Council resolved to increase the 2019-2020 precept and set it at £6150, all agreed; the grant (£314) being in addition. The Demand was signed by the Chairman and Clerk.

6.4 The following <u>payments due</u> were approved, en bloc, proposer DMcK, all in favour: due

- E.ON, electricity	£20.30	(cheque 0812) *
- Southrepps Parish Council, training fees	£30.00	(0813)
- Erpingham Parish Council, training fees	£60.93	(0814)
- Action Play and Leisure, chin up bars	£1346.40	(0815)
- G Brett, grounds maintenance	£150.00	(0816)
- Heritage Destination Consult, new gate	£600.00	(0817)
- Clerk's pay (Oct, Nov)	£232.80, £233.00	SO's

The cheques were signed (* signed outside the meeting)

7. Playground

- 7.1 <u>Health and safety</u> issues DMcK advised that the annual inspection is due; the new equipment is proving very popular. The new self-closing gate has been installed.
- 7.2 Update on <u>development</u> plans no further new items are planned but refurbishment, removals and a new bin are outstanding work.
- 8.To consider the joint purchase of a <u>SAM2 sign</u> with Swafield pc the Clerk read the proposal from Swafield and the Council were enthusiastic about acquiring a SAM. Two members would be needed to manage the SAM and following a proposal by LN the Council asked the Clerk to liaise with Swafield pc indicating Paston's support and willingness to match the expenditure by their Council (max £750), all agreed.

9. Reports

- 9.1 <u>Clerk's report</u> the Clerk reviewed the two PTS training sessions recently arranged (NB attending refresher at Southrepps; NB, DMcK, BT attending GDPR training, for which certificates had been issued. He asked members to consider how the Council should be externally supported next year (NALC/PTS).
- 9.2 <u>Community project report</u> NB advised that the Paston PCC had received the proceeds from the 'village hall' sale and that applications for grants can now proceed.

With no members' reports the meeting closed at 20.40.

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