

WOODPLUMPTON PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE EXTRA ORDINARY MEETING HELD via ZOOM on THURSDAY 4th FEB 2021 at 7.00pm.

PRESENT

Chairman: Cllr M Greaves

Councillors: Cllr B Dalglish Cllr M Entwistle. Cllr P Entwistle

Cllr B Probin Cllr M Stewart Cllr S Yates

CHAIRMAN'S INTRODUCTION, SOUND CHECK AND VOTING INFORMATION

The Chairman 'hosted' the meeting and ensured that everyone could be seen and heard.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

TO ACCEPT DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS AND TO CONSIDER ANY WRITTEN REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

There were no declarations of Interests.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Agenda explained that the meeting was an extra-ordinary meeting called by the Chairman under Schedule 12, paragraph 9 of the Local Government Act 1972 solely to discuss a draft Legal Contract in relation to the Traffic Calming proposals. **MIN 20/111** As it is desirable for the Council to treat proposals and counter proposals relating to contracts as confidential, it was **resolved** that members of the public be excluded under the Public Bodies Admission to Meetings Act 1960.

CONSIDER LCC's EMAIL DATED 24^{TH} JAN - CONTAINING THE DRAFT LEGAL AGREEMENT FOR THE TRAFFIC CALMING SCHEME

Points from LCC's email

MIN 20/112 Members **resolved** that the Clerk would question progress on the Catforth Scheme (last discussed on the 30th Oct 2020) and ask LCC to clarify the next steps prior to the TRO being advertised. Members also **resolved** that the Woodplumpton plans were still as required and that the BT apparatus should be diverted in accordance with LCC's email of the 6th April.

MIN 20/113 Members questioned the need for a consideration payment and **resolved** that the Clerk clarify the details with LCC.

Consideration of the Legal Agreement

The Legal Agreement was circulated to Members prior to the meeting and Members submitted questions for consideration. **MIN 20/114** Members discussed the questions and it was **resolved** that the Clerk would present the questions to LCC with a request to process them as soon as possible.

MIN 20/115 Due to the cost of the scheme and the Parish Council Covenants with the County Council, Members **resolved** that it would be necessary to ask a Solicitor to look at the Legal Agreement. Solicitor suggestions were requested prior to the meeting and a suggested firm was endorsed by those present. Once LCC respond to MIN 20/114 above, it was agreed in principle that the Clerk, Chairman and vice Chairman would engage with the Solicitor to discuss the next steps before committing to the cost of any legal representation.

COUNCILLOR VACANCY

Members **noted** that a vacancy notice will be displayed on the Noticeboards and website following confirmation from Electoral Services that the vacancy could be advertised.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next ordinary meeting of the Parish Council will be on **Monday 15**th **February at 7.00pm by Zoom**.