

**MINUTES OF THE DRIFFIELD TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY JANUARY 11<sup>TH</sup> 2022 AT 7.00pm AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MILL STREET, DRIFFIELD.**

**Present:** Councillors J Fletcher, M Blakeston, G Lucas, M Rogers, G Helliwell, M Garrard, P Rounding, S Fletcher, T Watson and the Town Clerk Mrs C. Binnington.

PC Martin Phillips attended and discussed various policing issues.

**01/22 Apologies for Absence:**

Cllr K Stack, Cllr A Coleman, Cllr S Starrett, Cllr A Croft and Cllr C Scarlett.

**02/22 Declarations of Interest:**

There were none.

**03/22 Registration of Gifts and Hospitality:**

There were none.

**04/22 Co-Option:**

The clerk reported that no one had applied for co-option, so the vacancy will run on into next month.

**05/22 Questions, Matters of Accuracy and Observations on the Town Council Minutes of December 8<sup>th</sup> 2021:**

**Minute 150/21 Events Minutes:** Cllr P Rounding expressed regret that the Scrambling event had been cancelled due to COVID implications.

**06/22 Adoption of the Town Council Minutes of December 8<sup>th</sup> 2021:**

The minutes were **adopted** with all in favour.

**07/22 Clerks Update:**

**Long Lane Planning Issue:** the clerk reported that Cllr M Lee of ERYC had been to see her to explain he was to speak at the Planning Committee meeting in support of the town council's plea to refuse planning permission to vary the condition to use the ancient bridlepath at Long Lane for access to new development areas.

**08/22 Town Centre Officer and External Funding Officer Update:**

No reports were produced due Christmas holidays.

**09/22 To consider the adoption of the revised Code of Conduct:**

It was **agreed** with all in favour to retain our current Code of Conduct.

**10/22 To consider the draft Right of Way Improvement Plan:**

The clerk was asked to contact Parish Path's Officer Sam McGivern to see if there were any aspects of the plan that required our support.

- 11/22 To receive the Interim Internal Audit Report & recommendations in red:**
- The report and recommendations were received with all in favour including that any general reserves remain the current bank accounts.
- 12/22 To note the receipt of Drifffield Junior School's 'Places to Hang Out in Drifffield':**
- The report was noted and will be copied to hand out to newcomers to the town with children. Cllr M Blakeston offered to upload a pdf of the report to the town council website.
- 13/22 Adoption of the Events Minutes of December 9<sup>th</sup> 2021:**
- Cllr G Helliwell presented the Events Minutes for adoption.
- The minutes were **adopted** with all in favour.
- 14/22 Adoption of the CCTV Minutes of December 9<sup>th</sup> 2021:**
- Cllr P Rounding presented the minutes for adoption.
- The minutes were **adopted** with all in favour.
- 15/22 Adoption of the Planning Committee Minutes of December 14<sup>th</sup> 2021:**
- Cllr G Lucas presented the Planning Committee minutes for adoption.
- The minutes were **adopted** with all in favour.
- 16/22 Highway Matters:**
- Grit at Cowlam  
Queen St – pavements in need of attention as being mounted by HGV's  
Pot hole at Community Centre car park
- 17/22 Responsible Financial Officers Report and Bank Reconciliations.**
- The Responsible Officers Report and bank reconciliations and spend to budget report were **agreed** with all in favour.
- Cllr P Rounding asked what expenditure had been on Misc Buildings, the clerk said she would get back to him.
- 18/22 Delegate Reports:**
- There were none.
- 19/22 Date of Next Meeting:**
- Tuesday February 1<sup>st</sup> 2022 at 7.00pm.
- 20/22 Confidential Items:**

In view of the confidential nature of the following items it was **agreed** with all in favour to exclude the press and public.

**21/22**

**To consider the budget and precept for 2022/2023:**

It was **agreed** with all in favour the precept be set at £485457, an increase of 4.73%, equating to an increase on a Band D household of £0.39p per month (£4.71 annually).

The meeting closed at 8.45pm.

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