**MINUTES : BRANSTON PARISH COUNCIL**

 **DATE: TUESDAY 26 NOVEMBER 2019, 6.30 P.M.**

 **VENUE: CLAYS LANE SPORTS PAVILION**

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| ***PUBLIC QUESTION TIME – 6.30 – 6.45 P.M.******PRESS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE CORDIALLY INVITED*** ***OPENNESS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT BODIES REGULATIONS 2014 HAS BEEN ADOPTED*** |

***Present:*** *Cllr M Ackroyd (Chairman)*

 *Cllr F Smith*

 *Cllr N Gaunt*

 *Cllr P Ackroyd*

 *Cllr P Palmer*

 *Cllr N Slater*

 *Cllr M Hussain*

 *Cllr J Pike*

 *Mrs K Lear (clerk)*

**845/26-11-19 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were accepted for County Cllr Julia Jessel

**846/26-11-19 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATION REQUESTS**

 **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME –** 3 members of the public were present

**847/26-11-19 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING FOR APPROVAL**

**Resolved**: that the minutes are a true and accurate record and they be signed accordingly by the Chairman.

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| For - unanimous | Abstain | Against |

**848/26-11-19 MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

 **(UPDATES ONLY)**

Old Road parking issues continuing. It was agreed that the Clerk contacts the Head of Rykneld Primary School for any assistance.

It was felt that the road closure for the Memorial service November 2020 could be reviewed for 2020.

**849/26-11-19 CHAIRMANS REPORT**

 Resident complaints – Main Street. It was agreed that residents contacted St

 Modwens Developers direct.

 PCC Grant – It was agreed that the Chairman and Clerk meets with the

 Contractor before work commences.

Tatenhill Brook – Residents complaints acknowledged.

Bulb Planting – November 2019 was very successful. Next tidy up morning is

planned for 21st December

Walking Bus Rykneld Primary School. It was noted that currently no parents are interested in supporting this initiative.

Sparkle Competition arrangements were confirmed.

Harwood Avenue – Open Space. Clerk to write to local resident for support.

**850/26-11-19 FINANCE**

 **Payments approved**

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| Maintenance | 462.00 |
| The Poppy Appeal | 25.00 |
| Reimbursements | 50.93 |
| Utilities | 169.60 |
| Christmas tree | 50.00 |
| Talu Forestry | 970.00 |
| Payroll - November | 1788.17 |
| Maintenance | 150.00 |
| Stationery | 92.56 |
| Bank services | 13.22 |
| Light service | 108.00 |
| Boiler service | 144.00 |

 **Resolved:** that the above payments be processed

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| **For -** unanimous | **Against** | **Abstain** |

**Interim audit** – Internal auditor very happy with procedures etc.

Lighting and fire extinguisher service completed.

Website domain renewal – It was noted that the existing supplier annual renewal contract be processed.

**851/26-11-19** **Precept and budget 2020-21**

**Resolved:** that the precept for £56934.95 be submitted. No increase

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| **For** - unanimous | **Against** | **Abstain** |

 **Budget**

 **Resolved:** that the budget for 2020/21 is approved

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| **For** - unanimous | **Against** | **Abstain** |

**852/26-11-19 PLANNING APPLICATION/MATTERS**

Reports were noted.

**853/26-11-19 CORRESPONDENCE RETENTION POLICY**

 **Resolved**: that the parish council reviews the policy in 2020

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| **For** - unanimous | **Against** | **Abstain** |

**854/26-11-19 PURCHASE OF FLAG POLE**

 **Resolved:** that planning permission is reviewed for the installation of a flag

 pole, Clays Lane Open Space

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| **For** - unanimous |  |  |

**855/26-11-19 VE/VA DAY (8-5-20)/VJ DAY (15/8/20) CELEBRATIONS**

 **Resolved:** that the events would be considered at the January 2020 meeting.

**856/26-11-19 LOCATION OF LECTERN**

**Resolved:** that the lectern be positioned near to the memorial bench and

planter, Clays Lane.

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|  **For** - unanimous | **Against** | **Abstain** |

**857/26-11-19 OTHER SERVICES WHICH CAN BE OFFERED AT THE PAVILION**

**Resolved:** that the main room extension will go ahead, subject to budget, as it was felt that this would increase usage of the facility.

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| **For** - unanimous | **Abstain** | **Against** |

**858/26-11-19 REPORTS FROM STAFFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL, EAST**

 **STAFFORDSHIRE BOROUGH COUNCILLORS, STAFFORDSHIRE**

  Reports were noted

 **DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**: 28th January, 2020, 6.30 p.m.

 Clays Lane Sports Pavilion

 **CLLR MIKE ACKROYD**

 **CHAIRMAN – BRANSTON PARISH COUNCIL**