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GISLINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT GISLINGHAM VILLAGE HALL ON WEDNESDAY 28TH AUGUST 2019 AT 7.30PM

Present: Cllr J Bell, Cllr C Tranter, Cllr C Saunders, Cllr F Oliver, Cllr I Urwin, Cllr E Sheehan,
Cllr T Holder
8 Members of the Public.

Apologies: Cllr J Malone, Cllr J Pitt

1. To consider and approve apologies for absence

Cllr J Malone, Cllr J Pitt, accepted

2. To receive declarations of interest on agenda items

None

3. To approve the draft minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 19th August 2019

Agreed.

4. Matters Arising from the last meeting

None

5. Public participation session

Members of the public advised they had attended regarding Item 6.

6. Outdoor Sport and Recreation sub-Committee (Cllr J Pitt)

- In the absence of Cllr Pitt, the Chair (Cllr Bell) read out the minutes from the July Parish Council meeting together with the Terms of Reference for the Outdoor Sport & Recreation sub-Committee.
- The O S&R sub-Committee were seeking agreement from Councillors for £700 plus VAT towards legal fees requested by Gislingham United Charities to cover legal costs for GUC to grant a lease over the new proposed area (behind the school) as this had not been previously completed. There may be other incidental disbursements that might arise. (Gislingham Parish Council hold earmarked reserve monies on behalf of the now defunct Skatepark Association, together with additional funds held on behalf of the O S&R sub-Committee).
- Councillors discussed the request to approve £700 + VAT and additional monies with the suggestion of implementing additional funds with a "benchmark".
- Councillors listened to concerns from residents regarding likely bad behaviour. It was also brought to Councillors attention that the Skatepark in Eye had recently been forced to close due to anti-social behaviour and illegal substance use.
- Residents were advised that the available 106 monies can only be used for Outdoor Sport and Recreation facilities.
- The O S&R sub-Committee were looking for residents to join the sub-Committee.
- Cllr F Oliver and Cllr I Urwin agreed to join the sub-Committee.
- It was Proposed by Cllr Saunders and Seconded by Cllr Oliver and agreed by all Councillors present to defer this item.

Bell

- The following was agreed and voted on:

"Gislingham Parish Council voted to defer agreeing to the £700 + VAT to cover Legal Fees for a new Lease in view of public concern regarding the relocation of the MUGA / Skatepark / Table Tennis equipment. Councillors requested the sub-Committee should be convened and come back to the Parish Council with their findings so that this item can be revisited for consideration"

7. **Grievance Policy – considered**, to approve at next meeting
8. **Complaints Policy – considered**, to approve at next meeting
9. **Disciplinary Policy (including Disciplinary Rules) – considered**, approve at next meeting
10. **Staffing Matters**
Report given by Cllr Tranter
11. **Future Meetings: Wednesday 11th September 2019 and Monday 16th September 2019**

Meeting closed at 9pm.

