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MINUTES OF the 350th MONTHLY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER
ON THURSDAY 30 JANUARY 2020

Present: Cllr Gallagher in the Chair
Ryan Bennett – Clerk to the Council
Amanda Gardiner – Administrative Assistant

Cllrs Benner, Cole, Hughes, Jacob, Kyriakou, Mitchell, Montague, Taylor, Tobin,
Vassiliou, Walker, Wallington and Yeung

Voting Members: 14

Members of the Public: 3

CC2061/20 Apologies for Absence

Apologies had been received from Cllrs Birch and Hobbs.

CC2062/20 Declarations of Interests by Members

The Chairman recommended that any declarations be made at the appropriate time.

CC2063/20 Parish Matters

A member of the Croxley Green History Project spoke about the plans being made to commemorate the V.E. Day 75th Anniversary. A representative of the Croxley Green Residents Association spoke about the need to attract new members to their organisation.

CC2064/20 Representations from the Public

No representations from the public.

CC2065/20 Minutes

The Minutes up for review were the Minutes of the 349th Monthly Meeting of the Council held on Thursday 28 November 2019

Resolved:

- That the Minutes of the 349th Monthly Meeting of the Council held on Thursday 28 November 2019 be approved and signed by the Chairman

CC2066/20 Matters Arising

CC2055/19 - the Clerk advised Members that the £3,000 grant for the Parish Nurse project was paid in December.

CC2067/20 Committee Reports

CC2067.1/20 Planning and Development Committee held on Thursday 7 & 21 November and 5 & 19 December 2019

Resolved:

- That the Minutes of the Planning and Development Committee meeting held on Thursday 7 & 21 November and 5 & 19 December 2019 be adopted as a report of the meeting.

CC2067.2/20 Any matters arising

There were no matters arising.

CC2067.3/20 Leisure, Events & Environment Committee held on Tuesday 5 November 2019

Resolved:

- That the Minutes of the Leisure, Events & Environment Committee meeting held on Tuesday 5 November 2019 be adopted as a report of the meeting.

CC2067.4/20 Any matters arising

LEE1521/19 - Cllr Benner informed Members that the Community Centre has been booked for Saturday 18th April 2020 for the Quiz Night.

CC2067.5/20 Finance and Administration Committee held on Thursday 24 October 2019

Resolved:

- That the Minutes of the Finance & Administration Committee of Thursday 24 October 2019 be adopted as a report of the meeting.

CC2067.6/20 Any matters arising

There were no matters arising.

CC2068/20 Clerk's Report

The Clerk provided a summary of activities undertaken by the Parish Council office and Parish Rangers. See report attached.

CC2069/20 Budgets / Precept 2020/21

Councillors made no amendments to the Budget schedule that was supplied with the Agenda.

Resolved:

- That a precept of £318,990 be set by Council and an overall budget of £322,460.

CC2070/20 Internal Audit Report (Interim) 2019/20

The Clerk provided a verbal update on the Internal Audit Report. The Clerk was happy to report that the Auditor identified no issues of concern.

CC2071/20 Parish Council Risk Assessment Review

The Clerk provided a verbal update on the Risk Assessment Review. Members asked for the Risk Assessment to be considered at a future F&A Committee meeting.

CC2072/20 Apple Day & Dog Show – Establishing a Working Group

The Clerk introduced the topic of establishing a Working Group to develop and plan a combined Dog Show and Apple Day. Cllrs Benner, Hughes, Tobin and Vassiliou expressed an interest in joining the Working Group.

Resolved:

- That the Council establishes a Working Group to develop and plan a combined Dog Show and Apple Day.
- That the draft terms of reference are adopted.
- That Cllrs Benner, Hughes, Tobin & Vassiliou become members of the working group.

CC2073/20 The Green & Stone's Orchard – Establishing a Working Group

The Clerk introduced the topic of establishing a Working Group to look into the transfer of The Green and Stone's Orchard to the Parish Council. Cllrs Tobin, Walker and Vassiliou expressed an interest in joining the Working Group. An amendment was proposed to the

draft terms of reference point 4. Purpose - Gaining public support for the transfer of land **with assistance from the Communications Working Group.**

Resolved:

- That the Council establishes a Working Group to look into the transfer of The Green and Stone's Orchard to the Parish Council.
- That the transfer of The Green and Stone's Orchard no longer form part of the remit of the existing Land Transfer Working Group.
- That the draft terms of reference are adopted with the following amendment: Gaining public support for the transfer of land with assistance from the Communications Working Group.
- That Cllrs Tobin, Walker & Vassiliou become members of the working group

CC2074/20 Croxley Green French Market

Cllrs Mitchell and Wallington introduced the topic of holding a French Market in Croxley Green and outlined the types of stalls, space and electrical requirements. As funds have already been allocated within the Budget for 2020/21, Recommendation 3 was removed. Cllrs Cole, Hughes, Mitchell, Montague and Yeung expressed an interest in joining the Working Group.

Resolved:

- That the Parish Council supports the hosting of the French Market in Croxley Green on 30th May 2020.
- That the Council establishes a Working Group to organise the required permissions and work with the market organiser to setup the event.
- That Cllrs Cole, Hughes, Mitchell, Montague & Yeung become members of the working group

CC2075/20 NYE Fireworks

Cllr Montague provided a verbal update on the NYE Fireworks. The new supplier Fantastic Fireworks provided a great display and the barrier system spread the audience along The Green and ensured that no-one was in the firework fallout zone. Music was not able to be provided for this year's display but will be part of next year's display.

CC2076/20 Exclusion of Press and Public

The Chairman moved, duly seconded, the following motion and it was agreed:

that under Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined under paragraph 3 of Part I of Schedule 12A to the Act. It has been decided by the Council that in all the circumstances, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

CC2077/20 Staff Salaries

The Chairman introduced this item and asked the Clerk to elaborate.

The Clerk referred to the confidential paper that had been circulated to Members with the HR & Compliance Agenda. The paper advised that the HR & Compliance Committee had discussed and agreed the Clerk's proposals for staff salaries.

Resolved

- Members noted the revised salary details.

CC2078/20 Update from Land Transfer Working Group

Land Transfer Working Group gave an update to Members on the progress of their recent actions.

CC2079/20 Closure

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9:38pm