WOODSETTS PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 27th January 2021 via the Zoom platform.

PRESENT Councillors: R Swann (Chair), M Bradburn, M Carroll, R Woodhead,

J Sherratt, C Cockayne, P Clarke.

IN ATTENDANCE

Clerk B Smyth

RMBC Councillor C Jepson

MP Alexander Stafford

Before the meeting started a minutes silence was observed for former Councillors K Clark and Don Graham who have sadly passed away.

8323 Apologies; Councillors K Ward

8324 Minutes of the previous meetings.

It was resolved that the Chairperson be authorized to sign the minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on 17th December 2020 as a true and accurate record.

8325 To identify items which may be considered following the exclusion of press and public.

None.

8326 To consider any variations to the orders of business.

None.

8327 To receive new Declarations of Interest in respect of business on the Agenda.

None.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Parish Council was pleased to welcome MP Alexander Stafford. He commented:

He fully supports the role of Parish Councils.

Has requested postal and internet voting.

Discussions at Government level intimate that fracking will not be going ahead in the near future but this will not be put in writing.

A White Paper is being brought forward on Planning Reforms.

Members of the public commented:

Planning concerns are consistently being ignored by RMBC.

Why has there not been a decision on the Judicial Review into fracking in Woodsetts? Birkett's House development continues without planning consent.

Councillor Jepson commented:

Asked Alex Stafford to support the amendments to the White Paper and keep the locals informed.

8328 To consider recent planning matters.

None to consider.

8329 To consider an update on the gullies and highways of the Parish

Various footpaths at Whitfield Gardens and Berne Square have not been cleared again.

The new surfacing at Brandsmere Drive is breaking up in parts.

The pot-holes on Lindrick Rd have been repaired.

Vans have been parking at the 2 new bungalows on Worksop Rd causing visibility problems. Councillor Jepson agreed to follow up on this.

Ongoing complaints are being received about dog-fouling. It was **resolved** to put an article in the next Newsletter.

The gritter truck crashed en route to Woodsetts which meant some roads were late to be gritted causing problems.

8330 To consider any Section 137 Grant requests

None to consider.

8330 To consider the Children's Play Area

It was resolved that the clerk contact RMBC to confirm the ability to re-use the swing. It was resolved that Nigel repair the small posts if possible or remove if not.

Quotes are being received to create a fenced walk-way between the car park and play area and also the garden creation.

8331 To consider various tree works

The process is ongoing.

8332 To consider and approve expenditure.

It was **resolved** to approve the expenditure totalling £3723.56

8334 To consider the budget for 2020/2021 and set the Precept.

It was **resolved** to set the precept request at £76,249 which equates to a ZERO percent increase on Band D properties of £130.28. The budget shows a matched income and expenditure at £77,559 and it was noted that the precept request has reduced by 2% due to a reduction in the base.

8335 To consider a budget report and bank reconciliation.

It was **resolved** to not and approve these documents.

8336 To consider correspondence.

The Clerk is in ongoing discussions about the Flooding Grant and the application has been submitted.

An application for works on the tree with a TPO is ongoing.

The defib battery was affected by the extreme cold but it is now back working again.

8337 To consider feedback from RMBC and Parish Meetings

Reports noted.

8338 RESOLVED, the next meeting to b ethe 24th February, 7 pm via Zoom.

The meeting closed at 8.45 pm.