ADDINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD AT THE MEMORIAL HALL ON Wednesday 17th January 2024 AT 7:00PM

Present

Cllrs: Hindle, Brady, Walsh, Coates, Cobley, Sutcliffe, Wilcox and Tennant

<u>Absent</u>

Cllrs Naylor, Smith and Flesher

In Attendance

Parish Clerk: S Lloyd

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District Cllr Janet Russell
District Cllr Caroline Whitaker

01/24 Apologies for Absence

Apologies received from Cllrs Smith and Flesher. Reasons for absence consented.

02/24 Disclosures of Interest

Pursuant to the Council's Code of Conduct, Members were invited to disclose any interests and additional interests (not already listed in the Register of Interests) as relevant to the business of the meeting, and to note these, outside the meeting, in the Declarations of Interests Book.

As disclosed in the Register of Interests, the interests of Members relevant to items of business before the Council were recorded as follows:

Personal Interests:

None

Disclosable Pecuniary Interests:

Cllr Tennant – Agenda item 7 (Property and Maintenance committee report and Issues including allotments) – Spouse is a plot holder. Dispensation granted.

03/24 Public Consultation and Question Time, including Police Matters

The Police were not present at the meeting.

There were no members of the public who wished to address the Council.

04/24 Minutes

Resolved(1): That the Minutes of the Meetings held on 13th December 2023 having been taken as read, be approved and signed as a true and correct record by the Chairman.

Resolved(2): That the Clerk's written report on Matters Arising be taken as read and noted.

05/24 Consultations, Correspondence and Discussion forum

Correspondence received during the month was circulated to members, as appropriate, and was noted in accordance with the policies and procedures of the Council.

The consultation on Ward Boundaries was received and noted.

BMDC budget proposals for 2024/25 were received. Of particular interest were the proposals numbered 4.42 (closure of Household Waste and Recycling centre in Ilkley) and 4.26 (car parking charges). After discussion it was

Resolved(1): That the Clerk responds to the consultation outlining Council's principal concerns with the proposal to close the recycling centre in Ilkley. The nearest recycling centre will then be Keighley. The likely result will be a reduction in recycling rates, an increase in carbon footprint from travel to and from Keighley and a probable increase in fly-tipping which is a backward step environmentally and potentially not accruing much financial benefit. The alternatives available to residents will be to dispose of items through general waste collection, domestic fires, bonfires, street waste bins and potentially, fly tipping. Large amounts of green garden waste will not be composted. Income from recycling deals will be lost. Sustainability will be reduced, with impacts on public health. The full income and expenditure costing have not been published and these are important factors which have not been provided transparently as part of the consultation process.

Resolved(2): That the Clerk responds to the consultation outlining Council's principal concerns with the proposal to introduce pay and display car parking in Addingham. That the social, economic, and environmental benefit to the community benefit of both car park sites, currently free for 4 hours is re-stated. That BMDC is urged to reconsider the request of the Parish Council to transfer the car park sites to them. The Parish council has identified that taking ownership of the sites and continuing to operate them as free car parks is a strong fit with the Parish Council's vision, provides an opportunity to exercise local control and maintain service continuity.

06/24 Financial Matters

1. Invoices for payment

<u>Resolved(1)</u>: That the presented list of accounts paid and invoices due for payment, be approved, Including one invoice presented at the meeting: £108 Parish Online

That payments made by the Clerk in accordance with financial regulation 5.5 be ratified.

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Payee	Description	Gross Amount £	Vat Reclaimable £
WillPower	Christmas Market	£1443.48	£240.58

2. Expenditure Proposals

Resolved(1): That the grant application from Olicana Cantores be refused at this time.

Resolved(2): That a grant of £520 for Addingham Heritage Group be approved.

3. Bank Reconciliations - to end 8th January 2024

The reconciliation was received and noted.

4. Monitoring Statement to 31st December 2023

The monitoring statement was received and noted.

07/24 Property and Maintenance Committee Report

The draft minutes of the Property and Maintenance Committee meeting held on 9th January were received and noted.

08/24 Hoffman Wood Field Insurances 2024

The Clerk reported that that quotation was not yet received from Hiscox. This item is therefore carried forward to the next meeting.

09/24 Public Toilets at Sugar Hill

The responses to the procurement exercise were received and noted. The Clerk was asked to email the two preferred contractors identified in the confidential report to Council and ask a number of follow-up questions.

10/24 Chairman's Remarks and Members' Discussion Forum

There were no comments or discussions

11/24 Dates and venue arrangements for forthcoming meetings

Meeting of the Parish Council – 21st February 2024 at 7pm, Memorial Hall, Addingham.

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