**LOVERSALL PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of Ordinary Meeting**

**24 May 2017, 8.30pm at the WI Hut, Loversall**

**In Attendance:** Councillors Spencer Morris, Keith Wilson (Chair), Colin Wright

**Clerk to the Council:** Lindsay Wilson

**Apologies:** Councillor Nigel Tomlinson

1. **Declaration of interest in items on the agenda:** None were made by those present
2. **Minutes of the meeting held on 22 March 2017** (previously circulated) were accepted as a true record of that meeting and signed. **Proposed:** Cllr Morris **Seconded:** Cllr Wright
3. **Matters arising:** 
   1. **Superfast South Yorkshire Broadband (Minute 3a) –** the green cabinet is situated at the entrance to Loversall village and there seems to be intermittent activity around it. No further information is available on the SFSY website.
4. **Finance:**
   1. **The Bank Statement at 05 May 2017** shows a balance of £1447.64. Cheques issued in March have now been drawn and the first instalment of the 2017-2018 precept has been paid into the account.
   2. **Annual Return for the year ended 31 March 2017 –** Councillors were taken through the annual governance statement and accounting statements and approved them for signature by the Clerk and Chair.
   3. **Signatories to the account –** Since Cllr Barbour’s resignation from the Council in January 2017, it was agreed that it was necessary for all the councillors (including Cllr Barbour’s successor) to become signatories to the account. The Clerk informed Councillors of the procedure required and gave the requisite forms for Councillors to complete, take to any branch of the NatWest Bank, along with 2 proofs of identity and then return these to the Clerk, who will submit them, along with the completed mandate form to the bank.
5. **Clerk’s Report:**
   1. **Borough Councillor Nigel Canning –** Recently elected and wanting to attend Parish Council meetings. It was agreed to invite him to the July meeting.
   2. **Doncaster Local Plan –** Communication received from Nicola Ward, Principal Planner, DMBC, a wider public consultation is now planned with draft site proposals, consequently she will contact us to arrange a meeting when these dates are finalised later this year.
   3. **Yorkshire Local Councils Association Branch Council Representatives –** a request had been received for up to 2 councillors to be appointed to represent Loversall. It was agreed that Cllrs Morris and Wright would assume this role. The Clerk will notify YLCA.
   4. **Planning Application 17/01244/REM –** concerning the IPort development received – very little information accessible on the website, Clerk to contact DMBC for more details.

The public part of the meeting closed at this point and members of the public were asked to leave.

1. **Vacancy for Parish Councillor:** Previously both DMBC and Loversall Parish Council had unsuccessfully advertised this vacancy. As a consequence, the Parish Council is empowered to co-opt a councillor. Nicola Harris, previously a councillor between 2007 – 2015, expressed an interest in returning to the Parish Council. She introduced herself to the councillors and a general discussion ensued as to local issues within Loversall.

She left the room and the councillors unanimously agreed that she should join the Council. Mrs Harris returned to the room and was informed of their decision and invited to join the council as a co-opted member, which she accepted so to do. A meeting to complete the official paperwork will be arranged.

**The next ordinary Meeting of Loversall Parish Council will be on Wednesday 5 July 2017 at 7.30pm in the WI Hut in Loversall.**

The meeting closed at 21.25 hrs

Signed ………………………………………… Date ………………………………………

Chair