**Minutes of Ordinary Meeting**

**Wednesday 08 January 2020, 7.30pm, WI Hut, Loversall**

**In Attendance:** Councillors Nicola Harris, Spencer Morris, Nigel Tomlinson, Keith Wilson, Colin Wright DMBC Cllrs Nigel Cannings, Martin Greenhalgh

**Apologies received:** None

**Clerk to the Council:** Lindsay Wilson

1. **Declaration of interest in items on the agenda:** None were declared.
2. **Minutes of the Ordinary meeting held on 23.10.19:** These minutes were accepted as a true record of that meeting.

**Proposed:** Cllr Morris **Seconded:** Cllr Tomlinson

1. **Matters arising:**
   1. **Internet Banking –** a paper was presented to the meeting (**see Appendix A**) detailing the background to this issue, the options available for consideration, the processes involved and the pros and cons of both of the options. Following discussions with the councillors,

**A resolution was passed, with unanimous approval, that the authorised signatories in the current mandate for the accounts listed in section 2, be changed in accordance with section 5 & 6 and the current mandate will continue as amended. Specifically:**

**in Section 5 – REMOVAL of Patricia Barbour; In Section 6 – ADDITION of Nicola Harris, Nigel Tomlinson, Lindsay Wilson and Colin Wright.**

**It was agreed that this process should be completed online by the Chairman (a current signatory) and that the necessary proofs of identity should be presented to him, for conversion to PDF format to be submitted to the bank electronically.**

**Once this stage has been successfully completed, the intention is to move forward to electronic banking with NatWest.**

* 1. **Iport lorries entering Loversall Village:** The Clerk delivered letters to residents around the Rakes Lane and Bubup Hill end of the village in November, requesting photographic or other details of HGV lorries attempting access to the Iport via Loversall. This has resulted in several emails which have been forwarded to Amazon. Amazon have agreed to cover the cost of the replacement of the road sign damaged by one of their lorries. Discussion followed as to how best to prevent the lorries entering the village – once in, trying to negotiate their exit seems to cause further damage. Cllr Cannings gave the Clerk details of the appropriate contact in DMBC and it was agreed that the Clerk would attempt to get this person to do a site visit to appraise the problems.
  2. **Rakes Lane:** Cllr Wright reported that there had been some problems with the contractors installing broadband cables along Rakes Lane, but hoped that the work would soon be completed, the surfaces would be made good and the rubble removed.

1. **Financial Report**: The latest bank statement received is dated 12 November 2019. Councillors were given sight of the following information
   1. **October 2019 (Precept 2nd payment)** £ 670.00
   2. **Balance at Bank on 12 November 2019**  **£1019.93**
   3. **Cheques for approval and signature at meeting 08.01.2020:**

339 07.01.20 LCWilson-Clerk salary Oct-Dec19 £ 152.10

340 07.01.20 HMRC PAYE Oct-Dec19 £ 38.03

341 07.01.20 KVWilson Reimburse for Norton subs 2020/2021 £ 29.00

**£ 219.13**

**Balance at bank on 12 November 2019 £1019.93**

**Total expenditure since last bank statement** £ 219.13

**BALANCE £ 800.80**

**Committed expenditure 2019/2020** £ 190.13

**Balance net of committed expenditure 2019/2020 £ 610.67**

1. **Parish Precept 2020/2021:** A paper **(see Appendix B)** of the different Parish Council budget options was presented to the meeting for discussion. In view of the previous discussion re: banking options (Minute 3i) it was noted that proposals (2) & (4) were now no longer relevant.

The proposals considered were therefore (1) & (3). Councillors were reminded that in the meeting held 30.01.2015 (Minute 5 c), it was agreed to increase the Clerk’s hours over a number of years, having remained unchanged over the preceding period of more than 10 years, to facilitate eventual *‘employment of a clerk on national terms and conditions and sufficient paid hours to properly undertake the duties’.* This has not happened in the past two years due to other financial pressures. A discussion on this issue ensued, Cllr Morris commented that he felt these small increments would not attract potential applicants in the future. Discussion followed on the difficulties and limitations experienced by smaller parishes generally.

It was agreed that proposal (3) should be accepted, increasing the clerk’s hours to 80 hours per annum, and the electronic pro-forma should be completed appropriately and returned to DMBC.

**Proposed:** Cllr Tomlinson **Seconded:** Cllr Wright

1. **Planning Applications:** 
   1. 19/02285/FUL – Lynwood, Tickhill Rd – granted 13.11.19
   2. 19/02375/FUL – Loversall Farm, Bubup Hill – granted 12.11.19
   3. 19/02551/FUL – Rosemary, Tickhill Rd – granted 05.12.19
   4. 19/02933/TCON – Dovecote House, Rakes Lane – Removal of one conifer tree – no objections raised
2. **Clerk’s Report:**
   1. DMBC circulated their Proposed Public Spaces Protection Order renewal consultation notice concerning dog fouling and dog control. Comments to be received by 02 February 2020
   2. In an attempt to slow through traffic in Loversall village, the purchase of ‘Twenty’s Plenty’ signs to be considered. Cllr Greenhalgh offered to furnish the Clerk with details used by another Parish Council.
3. **The next ordinary meeting of Loversall Parish Council will be on Wednesday 18 March 2020, 7.30pm at the WI Hut, Loversall**

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 20.45hrs.

Signed ……………………………………………… (Chair) Date …………………………………………