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MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday 8th August 2023, 6.30pm - Held at Asfordby Parish Office

PRESENT:

Members: Cllrs; R De Burle, P Lamb, J Whitehead, K De Burle.

In Attendance: Administration Manager: Helen Callaghan

Guests: Two members of the public, third member joined 6.55pm.

08.08.23/1. To receive apologies for absence.

None

08.08.23/2. Members Disclosure of Interests.

None

08.08.23/3. To approve and sign the minutes of previous meetings.

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 19.07.2023 were approved by all and signed as an accurate record of the meeting.

Proposal to swap agenda item 5. Chairman's report to agenda item 4 and Public Forum to agenda item 5.

Moved Cllr R de Burle Seconded Cllr P Lamb Member vote All in favour

08.08.23/4. Chairman's report.

The Chairman reported:

- The defibrillator is now registered with 'The Circuit'.
- The Parish N.H.P. had been accepted by Melton Borough Council and passes to election who have declared there will be a referendum 28th September 2023.
- Leics Forestry & Arboriculture have reported we have an Ash Tree with Ash Dieback in Riverside Gardens. The parish council has applied for permission to remove the tree.
- The parish council has taken on two new employees, employed as hygiene operatives.

08.08.23/5. Public Forum (maximum individual 3 mins) (Standing order rule 3k).

- a. A parishioner asked about council staff interviewing.
The Chairman replied correct procedures were followed.
- b. A parishioner questioned why meeting days were not always the same.
The Chairman replied meetings were arranged around Councillor work commitments.
- c. A parishioner queried why the parish council had not acted on emails regarding graffiti.
The Chairman responded that no emails had been received.

08.08.23/6. Fruit Trees 'The Queens green canopy' initiative for tree planting.

Members discussed the age and size of trees to be planted and agreed to pass the project to the office to seek advice and to obtain prices.

08.08.23/7. Riverside Gardens Christmas Tree.

Members discussed the options relating to the Christmas tree and agreed to attempt to remove the existing tree in live state and relocate to a new home, and place the new pre lit Christmas tree in the location.

Moved Cllr R de Burle Seconded Cllr J Whitehead Member vote All in favour

08.08.23/8. Provision of a temporary Skip on Allotments.

- a. Members considered the provision of an 8yard skip and discussed the 3 quotations and agreed to accept the quote from provider A. at a cost of £285 +vat.

Moved Cllr R de Burle Seconded Cllr K De Burle Member vote All in favour

- b. No action required as gate is kept locked.

08.08.23/9. Facebook.

Members discussed the creation of an Asfordby Parish Council Facebook account and agreed, to authorise the Parish Administration Manager to action the proposal.

Moved Cllr R de Burle Seconded Cllr J Whitehead Member vote 3 in favour, 1 abstention

08.08.23/10. Facility Charging.

Members discussed and approved the simplified hall letting policy to apply with immediate effect.

Moved Cllr R de Burle Seconded Cllr P Lamb Member vote All in favour

08.08.23/11. Proposal to remove to a Closed Session as required by local Government law to discuss 1 staffing and 1 sensitive administrative matter.

Moved Cllr J Whitehead Seconded Cllr R de Burle Member vote All in favour

Meeting closed at 9.50 pm

Date of Next Meeting: To be confirmed

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