



**Minutes of the Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting held remotely on the Zoom platform on Tuesday 19 January 2021, commencing at 7.30 pm**

**Councillors present:** Cllr M Keller (Chair), Cllr P Hill, Cllr P Seeley, Cllr S Thorogood and Cllr D Wild

**In attendance:** - K Larkin (Parish Clerk); and D Picknell (Admin Officer)

*There were two members of the public present*

**Public Session:** - no items were raised

*The Chair closed the Public Session and opened the meeting*

**C.343 Apologies for absence:** - none

**C.344 Declarations of interest:** - none

**C.345 Licence for alterations to the cricket pavilion**

The council considered Report 3, prepared on the advice of the council's Hon. Solicitor, recommending the signing of a licence whereby the Gilbert Estate which had benefit of a restrictive covenant over the pavilion would give the parish council as proprietor of the cricket pavilion consent to carry out alterations to the pavilion. [*Note by the clerk: Two minor corrections were made to the draft as shown in Report 3, namely (i) inclusion of the parish office address only, not councillor addresses; and (ii) attestation by 2 councillors not 3; both changes agreed by all parties*]. The Chair thanked Mr David George (Hon. Solicitor), and the Estate's land agent, for their work in drawing up a licence acceptable to all parties; and Mr Paul Goodenough for kindly drawing up the plans at no cost to the parish. The licence fee would be a nominal £1 and the land agent's fee would be £350 plus VAT.

It was noted that although the council's Standing Order 23 required the signing of a licence to be approved by resolution of the council, and for the signing to be done by any two councillors in the presence of the Proper Officer (i.e. the Parish Clerk) as witness, the involvement of the clerk was not required by statute. The Hon. Solicitor would be willing to engross two copies of the deed and witness the signatures.

The Chair proposed and Cllr Wild seconded the motion: **'That the terms of the licence be approved, and the licence be signed by two councillors after the meeting, in the presence of the Hon. Solicitor as witness.'**

RESOLVED - The motion was put to the meeting and declared carried unanimously.

The Chair and Cllr Wild would sign the licence on behalf of the council.

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The Chair proposed that the fees amounting to £351 should be paid by the council from its Donations scheme, as a virtual donation to the Cricket Club.

*Standing Orders were suspended to enable Mr Pankhurst to comment on behalf of the Club. Mr Pankhurst approved of the proposal. Standing Orders were re-imposed.*

RESOLVED – That the fees totalling £351 plus VAT be paid by the council from the Donations budget.

**C.346 Date of next ordinary meeting – Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2021** at 6.30 pm by remote means.

*There being no further business, the meeting closed at 7.46 pm.*

Signed..... (Chair)

Date.....