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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting on Tuesday 12th December at 7.30 pm. This meeting was held virtually on Zoom.

Present: G. Hussey (Chairman), G. Sallows (Vice Chairman) M. Cooke, M. Fillmore, R. Gatt, G. Fleming, G. Adams, V. Bender and V. Saunders

L. Bannister (Clerk)

HDC & WSCC Cllr. Kitchen

Cllr. Hussey advised that the meeting is being recorded, and the recording will be deleted once the Minutes are approved.

1 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllr. Forrest. HDC Cllr. Hogben also gave his apologies.

2 Declaration of Interests

None.

3 Approval of Minutes of the previous Meeting

These were agreed by Council and duly signed by Cllr. Hussey.

Cllr. Fleming joined the meeting

4 Open Forum

The meeting was adjourned to allow members of the public to speak.

No members of the public were present.

The meeting was resumed.

5 Reports from other Authorities

Cllr. Kitchen reported as follows:-

- HDC are busy with the pandemic and the Local Plan
- WSCC are also busy dealing with the pandemic
- Kilnwood Vale and Land West of Ifield seem to be linking together

Cllr. Kitchen asked to be updated on Rusper PC's response to the Government's Night Flight Consultation.

Cllr. Sallows said that it would be good to liaise with planning officers regarding the Land West of Ifield strategic site.

6 Grass cutting contract for 2021-2023

It was RESOLVED to appoint Countrymans for the grass cutting contract for a one year contract at an approximate annual cost of £2600.

7 Approval of budget for 2021-2022

It was **RESOLVED** to approve this as drafted.

8 Order of definitive footpath map for recreation ground

It was RESOLVED to order this at a cost of £11.

9 Reports from Representatives

The following reports were received:-

- The Horsham Association of Local Councils meeting was taking place at the same time as the Council meeting so Cllr. Gatt was unable to attend.
- Cllr. Fillmore reported that Gatwick is extremely quiet at the moment.
- Cllr. Fleming was unable to attend the Gatwick Noise Management Board meeting.
- Cllr. Bender reported that Ifield Golf Club has now been sold.
- Cllr. Cooke reported that the Sussex and Surrey Association of Local Councils AGM has been cancelled again until February.
- Cllrs. Hussey and Adams met with the Clerk to discuss road weight restrictions. They felt that roads and transport in general were a bigger issue and requested to set up a working party to discuss this in more depth. Members were in agreement with this and Cllrs. Allen, Sallows, Saunders and Bender would also like to be involved.

10 Clerk's report

Correspondence

The following has been received:-

 Communities Against Gatwick Noise and Emissions has notified of a Government Night Flights consultation. This will be added to the next agenda.

Other

- WSCC has confirmed that S106 funding can be used for the ground sockets, but WSCC still need to advise on the process.
- A resident on the High Street has agreed that the notice board can be replaced on her fence but requested that the backboard remains. The Clerk will get quotes to replace this.
- The remembrance bench is due to be delivered next week.
- The meeting with Homes England has been delayed until the New Year.

11 Finances

Reconciled accounts & bank statements

These were verified by Cllr. Fillmore.

Invoices to pay

It was **RESOLVED** to pay the following:

Salaries – £720 approx (payroll information still to be received at time of meeting)

Surrey Hills Solicitors - £840.00

L Bannister expenses (postage and Acrobat subscription) - £190.20

WSCC - £11

David Olgivie - £1236

All of these payments will be sent via bank transfer.

12 Date of Next Meeting

The next Council meeting will be held on 26th January 2020 at 7.30 pm.

The meeting closed at 8.25 pm

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CLERK