HUNTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting held on 9th December 2020 at 7.30pm by Zoom

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Date: 10 December '20

Present:	Councillor R Wyatt Councillor R Smith Councillor J Wylie Councillor R Worsdale Kathleen Allison Dee Lynn and subsequent to item 2 on the agenda Cllr Knight joined the meeting. At the request of Cllr Wyatt Cllr Smith took the chair for the meeting.	Chairman Vice chair Treasurer Clerk
Items	Recording of Meeting	Actions
Item 1	Apologies	
Item 2	At the request of Cllr Smith item 8 (iii) was brought forward and the agenda re-ordered. Following the resignation of Cllr S Grant the Parish Council vacancy has been publicised through RDC and in the absence of any public request for an election permission given for Hunton Parish Council to co-opt to the vacancy. Wendy Knight was co-opted to the vacancy, welcomed to the meeting and thanked for her interest.	Clerk to ensure documents completed and RDC advised of co-option.
Item 3	Councillors declaration of interest - none	

Item 4	Minutes of previous meeting – held 16th September 2020 Agreed as a true and accurate record, proposed Cllr Worsdale seconded Cllr Wylie.	Copy for website
Item 5	Actions from previous meeting: 4(iii) lighting to side of village hall, not yet completed	Clir Wyatt
	8(iii) provision of dog waste bin, a suggested location adjacent to quiots pitch has been suggested to RDC who have confirmed the cost of £225 includes emptying of bin. 8(vi) village workdays – very successful weekend of 17 th / 18 th October, large number of residents participated. Thanks extended to Maureen and Ken Parkinson for their further work in painting the war memorial railings.	Clir Wyatt
Item 6	Police report Council noted the content of the police report previously circulated, and recorded no matters of specific concern to the council.	
Item 7	Local planning applications (i) 20/00805/Full, retrospective relocation of wooden screen panels, Brambledown, Leyburn Road. Comment invited by 28/12/20, no comments noted.	

Item 8	Matters	Arising from RDC and NYCC - none	
Item 9	PC busi		
	(i)	Wildflower project – Cllr Knight updated the meeting on progress, phase 1 area has been tidied and reseeded, a spring sowing is planned to extend the flowering season. The oak tree phase 2 area has been planted with native bulbs and seeds and a spring sowing is planned. Grass lifted around apple orchard and more flower planting completed. Steve Knight has pruned the apple trees. Monies remain (c£180) ringfenced within council account.	
	(ii) (ii)	Playpark – replacement swing frames – Cllr Wyatt reported that £2000 has been awarded from Cllr Les (NYCC) locality budget toward cost of replacing rotten wooden frames. An application has been made to Lower Wensleydale Partnership and they meet w/c 14/12/20.	
		An application is being made to Broadacres Community Development Fund and for Lottery funding, it is expected	Clir Wyatt
	as	contribution from parish council funds will be required, the amount dependent upon the outcome of the applications	
	as	above. Indicative quotes have been received from a couple of companies c£5,500 - £6,000, preferred are frames with steel ground fixings which will protect from "strimmer" damage and rot.	
	(iii)	Website – Cllr Knight reported on progress with the website, and her advice that a design refresh is required,: colours, typeface, layout to reinforce it's "relaunch". The photograph gallery needs new material and Cllr Knight is pursuing link to village hall website to improve access to information about events. Cllr Knight was thanked for her continued work with the website.	
	(iv)	Newsletter – Cllr Wylie reported very positive feedback following the recent newletter which had been well received. It is hoped a website based newletter will be the future distribution method whilst noting some residents will continue to prefer a paper copy. The cost of paper copies needs to be considered.	Clerk to enquire of Artison and Treasurer to follow up a
	(v)	Memorial restoration – a recent quotation has been received c £1500 for pressure washing and restoration of the lead lettering on the memorial. It was agreed other options should be explored.	suggestion.

Item 10 **Finance** A financial report had been prepared and circulated. The Treasurer talked through the report and invited questions. Donation to British Legion for wreath £50 proposed Cllr Treasurer Wyatt and seconded Cllr Smith. Christmas Tree proposed to sources from same charity as (ii) Treasurer last year at a cost of £60, proposed Cllr Smith seconded Cllr Wyatt. In the projected expenditure it was noted that village hall hire costs would be less as meetings have not been held. It is understood the final grass cut in November did not happen, Cllr **CIIr Smith** Smith to confirm with contractors 2020 grasscutting account is complete and advise Treasurer. An external audit fee had been payable as the village hall car park works has exceeded the level for exemption. Precept – this needs to be finalised at the January meeting and RDC will be seeking an indication of the level to be requested, acknowledging the playpark swing replacement costs an increase of between £500 - £1000 was proposed for further discussion and decision at next meeting. Any other business; Item 11 (i) A resident has raised a concern regarding a rose bush overhanging a pavement and therefore potentially causing an injury, Cllr Knight agreed to contact the householder and bring to their attention, to offer to assist if required. (ii) Relocation of the post box and parish council noticeboard, as the village shop and Post Office has closed in the event the property sells it is proposed the post box be moved to the green verge outside village hall and the noticeboard be placed in the bus shelter. Date and time of next meeting: to be held Wednesday 20th January 2021 at 7.30pm, the possibility of a hybrid meeting was discussed with a meeting in village hall but with the facility to join by Zoom if preferred. Public access to be explored within village hall Covid secure guidelines nearer the date.

Dee Lynn Parish Clerk		
Original signed		

Signed Chairman _Cllr Ronnie Smith_____ Date __20/01/21_____

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