MINUTES OF MALPAS PARISH COUNCIL EXTRAORDINARY MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 25TH JANUARY 2021 USING THE ZOOM PLATFORM AT 7.00 PM

PRESENT

Cllrs, Mike Boxall (Vice Chairman), Richard Charlton, Jackie Clegg, Charles Higgie, Enric Sabia Picton Hughes, Adrian Waddelove (Chairman), John Webb,

Chris Whitehurst, Michael Williams.

The Clerk. One member of the public attended part of the meeting.

526 APOLOGIES

Cllrs Tina Barnett, Michelle Lloyd, Karen Meredith.

527 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Cllr Clegg declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 529 of the minutes.

528 OPEN FORUM

Cllr Webb raised the issue of the collapsed wall at St Oswald's Church which has meant that Church Street is now closed. As a consequence this is having an impact with diverted traffic now having to use Oldcastle, Sunnyside and Mastiff Lane. He requested that the Council write to CW&C as a matter of urgency and request the

He requested that the Council write to CW&C as a matter of urgency and request the following actions are taken at Oldcastle, Sunnyside and Mastiff Lane:-

- The roads are cleaned and gritted on a regular basis;
- Introduction of a temporary speed restriction;
- Temporary warning safety signage.

Bradley Bridge has been damaged again with a temporary traffic light system in operation.

Following the comments, the Clerk, in conjunction with the Chairman, is to write to invite a Highways representative to attend the next meeting of the Council to provide details, including timings, of the plans to carry out repairs to both the collapsed wall at St Oswald's Church and to Bradley Bridge.

529 GRANT REQUEST

This item was deferred to the February meeting as a grant request had not been received by the Clerk

Cllr Whitehurst clarified a statement made by Cllr Higgie regarding the funding of Community Links as it is not subsidised by the Parish Council. It was noted that Cllr Higgie's statement on 18th January 2021 that the Parish Council mainly funds Community Links was incorrect.

530 BUDGET FOR 2021 - 2022

530.1 To consider and set budget for the 2021 - 2022 financial year:-

The Council received the Budget and Forecast figures for the 2020 – 2021 financial year and the proposed budget for the 2021 – 2022 financial year

The Finance Committee have held an informal meeting to update the TORs. These are to be formally considered at the February meeting of the Council.

The Council considered Cllr Boxall's report entitled Setting the Precept for 2021 – 2022.

Resolved:- The Council agreed to set the budget for the 2020 – 2021 financial year for the as follows:-

| Item | Amount |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|
| Essential Payments | |
| Costs to run the Council | £ 11,347.00 |
| Village Maintenance | £ 2,500.00 |
| Election Costs | £ 2,000.00 |
| Sub Total | £ 15,847.00 |
| Non Essential Payments | |
| Professional Fees | £ 5,000.00 |
| Christmas Lights (installation costs) | £ 500.00 |
| Grants | £ 7,000.00 |

| Climate Emergency | £ 1,500.00 |
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| Neighbourhood Plan | £ 1,000.00 |
| Covid Emergency Fund | £ 3,000.00 |
| Other | £ 100.00 |
| Sub Total | £ 18,100.00 |
| TOTAL Essential and Non Essential Payments | £ 33,947.00 |
| by Cllr Webb and seconded by Cllr Higgie | |

Proposed by Cllr Webb and seconded by Cllr Higgie

The voting took place as follows:-

For:- Cllrs Boxall, Charlton, Clegg, Higgie, Picton Hughes, Waddelove, Webb, Whitehurst, Williams.

Against:- none. Abstained:- none.

530.2 <u>To consider and set amount to be allocated towards grants for the 2021 – 2022</u> financial year:-

The sum of £7,000.00 is to be earmarked for grants to local organisations for the 2021 – 2022 financial year.

531 PRECEPT

The 2021 – 2022 Local Council Tax Base for the parish of Malpas has been calculated as 981.3 for Band D equivalent properties.

The Band D Local Council Tax Base for 2020 – 2021 was 979.9 for Band D equivalent properties.

Resolved:- The Council agreed to set the precept for 2021 - 2022 financial year at £27,476.00. (see attachment). This is equivalent to £28.00 Local Council Tax Charge for a Council Tax Band D property. This means there will be no change in 2021 - 2022 from the Parish Council's 2020 - 2021 share of the Council Tax bill. Proposed by Cllr Webb and seconded by Cllr Higgie.

The voting took place as follows:-

For:- Cllrs Boxall, Charlton, Clegg, Higgie, Picton Hughes, Waddelove, Webb, Whitehurst, Williams.

Against:- none. Abstained:- none.

532 PLANNING COMMITTEE

The Council discussed the wording of the revised TORs for the Planning Committee.

Resolved:- The Council considered the revised TORs for the Planning Committee.

Under the heading 'Delegated Powers' the word "feels" was replaced with

"judges". The Council then adopted the TORs for the Planning Committee.

Proposed by CIIr Waddelove and seconded by CIIr Higgie.

The voting took place as follows:-

For:- Cllrs Charlton, Clegg, Higgie, Picton Hughes, Waddelove, Webb, Whitehurst, Williams.

Against:- Cllr Boxall. Abstained:- none

PART TWO

533 PRESS AND PUBLIC

Resolved:- To resolve to exclude the press and members of the public as the items to be discussed relate to contractual and employment matters.

Proposed by Cllr Waddelove and seconded by Cllr Boxall.

The voting took place as follows:-

For:- Cllrs Boxall, Charlton, Clegg, Higgie, Picton Hughes, Waddelove, Webb, Whitehurst, Williams.

Against:- none. Abstained:- none.

The meeting closed at 8.18 pm.

NB copies of the attachments can be obtained from the Parish Clerk