MINUTES OF POLICIES & RESOURCES COMMITTEE OF BARTON-LE-CLAY PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT THE PARISH OFFICE ON MONDAY 25th FEBRUARY 2019 COMMENCING AT 8.32PM

Present: Councillors Mr L Davison-Williams (Vice-Chair), Mrs B Thomas, Mr J Paxton,

Mrs G Gardner & Mr A Channon

In attendance: Mrs C Callen (Clerk)

Minutes: Mrs C Callen

18/552 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Councillors Mr D Gunter & Mr J Selley

18/553 SPECIFIC DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - None

18/554 MATTERS ARISING

Councillor Davison-Williams advised that the Peninsula Health & Safety representative has undertaken reviews with the Clerk over the last couple of months to ensure the Parish Council and its buildings are compliant. Full reports are awaited so that any remedial actions can then be addressed. A further visit is planned for March to review the Risk Assessments in respect of Health & Safety.

18/555 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE POLICIES & RESOURCES COMMITTEE HELD ON 28th JANUARY 2019

Councillor Davison-Williams **PROPOSED** the approval of the minutes of 28^h January 2019, **SECONDED** by Councillor Paxton with **3 in favour and 2 abstentions**.

18/556 UPDATE REGARDING THE REQUEST FOR LIGHTING ON THE ACCESS ROAD TO DOCTORS SURGERY

The Clerk has met with the Village Hall Committee to discuss proposals to improve the lighting on the access road and car park. The current lighting on the side of the hall is on a timer from 5pm to 11pm. The light on the back of the hall, over the car park, is manually switched on by the users of the hall. Members agreed to review the current lighting position at the Extra-Ordinary Meeting on the 4th February to see if this can be improved before engaging an electrician to quote for any additional lighting.

18/557 TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE LOCATION OF SKIP

The allotment holders have been given notice for the removal of the current skip. Members discussed alternative locations, size and frequency of emptying for a skip going forward, to be used just for Parish Council waste. The majority of waste is either from litter picking the open spaces around the village or from clearance of any vacant allotment plots. Therefore, Councillor Thomas **PROPOSED** to retain the current location at the allotments for the time being, **SECONDED** by Councillor Paxton and **UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED**.

ACTION – Clerk to obtain quotes for alternative skips for approval at the next Full Council meeting.

18/558 TO CONSIDER WAY FORWARD REGARDING BAILEY'S PIECE LAND

As part of the discussions for further Ear Marked Reserves at the last committee meeting, Councillor Davison-Williams asked members to consider the sale of Bailey's Piece land. A copy of the site plan and previous plans for three one-bed properties was shared with members. Councillor Davison-Williams suggested seeking outline planning consent prior to any sale. Members felt that some restriction would need to be included in the deeds to prevent changes to the properties being made in the future so that they retain their affordability nature. It was agreed that further advice was required as to the best options for disposal of the land.

18/559 TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE REINVESTMENT OF HAMPSHIRE TRUST FUNDS

The Hampshire Trust 1 Year Business Bond Issue 13 (1.30%) is due for maturity on 22nd March. The balance for reinvestment will be £83,448.91. Historically, the Parish Council have had a policy for low risk and to reinvest for no more than one year. There are limited options available for investing public sector funds and members are mindful to ensure they are covered by the government protection guarantee up to £85,000. Councillor Davison-Williams **PROPOSED** to rollover the balance and interest to reinvest in the 1 Year Business Loyalty Bond Issue 5 (1.60%). This was **SECONDED** by Councillor Thomas and **UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED**.

ACTION – Clerk to investigate another suitable bank to invest surplus working capital funds.

18/560 TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE COSTS TO REPLACE PARISH NOTICE BOARD

The Parish notice board on the corner of Norman Road is in need of replacement. A quote has been provided from Interior Exterior, to make a bespoke notice board at a cost of £329, with painting costs on top of that, if required. The majority of companies now provide magnetic noticeboards with door covers to local councils at a cost of c.£400 upwards. Members agreed to investigate metal noticeboards with doors for consideration at the next meeting.

18/561 ANY OTHER BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE OR FOR INCLUSION ON THE NEXT AGENDA

Councillor Channon requested the current Online Engagement and Communication policy be reviewed at the next meeting.

The meeting closed at 9.35pm.