MINUTES OF POLICIES & RESOURCES COMMITTEE OF BARTON-LE-CLAY PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT THE PARISH OFFICE ON MONDAY 28th JANUARY 2019 COMMENCING AT 8.42PM

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

Mr J Paxton

In attendance: Mrs C Callen (Clerk)

Minutes: Mrs C Callen

18/481 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Councillors Mr D Gunter, Mrs G Gardner & Mr A Channon

18/482 SPECIFIC DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - None

18/483 MATTERS ARISING - None

18/484 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE P&R COMMITTEE HELD ON 26th NOVEMBER 2018
Councillor Davison-Williams PROPOSED the approval of the minutes of 26th November 2018,
SECONDED by Councillor Paxton and UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

18/485 TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE ADDITIONAL EAR MARKED RESERVE ALLOCATION

Councillor Davison-Williams suggested the land known as Bailey's Piece be considered for sale. The land is not currently used, generating no income for the Parish Council and just incurring costs for maintenance. It is currently left wild to prevent vandalism. Historically, plans had been drawn up for two bungalows to be developed on the site. A meeting with Aldwyck Housing Association will be required to discuss access to the site.

Councillor Davison-Williams **PROPOSED** the approval of £2500 be transferred from General Reserves to a new ear marked reserve to cover the costs for progressing the sale of Bailey's Piece. This was **SECONDED** by Councillor Selley and **UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED**.

18/486 TO CONSIDER REQUEST FROM DOCTORS SURGERY REGARDING LIGHTING ON ACCESS ROAD

The Practice Manager from the Doctors surgery has requested the Parish Council considers lighting on the access road between the Village Hall and the surgery, following complaints from patients and recent vandalism issues. Members discussed options for improving the area. In the past, lighting options had been investigated but not progressed due to cost. Councillor Davison-Williams suggested these are revisited and to look at alternative methods. A meeting with both the Doctors and the Village Hall representatives is then to be arranged to discuss the matter further. **ACTION – Clerk to look at lighting options and arrange meeting.**

18/487 TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE COSTS TO INSTALL A HAND SANITISER IN THE OFFICE TOILET

The staff have requested a hand sanitiser be installed in the Office Toilet as there is no hand basin to wash with.

Councillor Thomas **PROPOSED** that a hand sanitiser dispenser and liquid be purchased from Viking Direct at a cost of £23.98 plus VAT, to be installed by the Groundsman. This was **SECONDED** by Councillor Paxton and **UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED**.

18/488 TO CONSIDER ACTIONS REGARDING SIMPKINS DRIVE TREES

As acknowledged at Full Council in July 2018, two residents from Simpkins Drive have made complaints regarding the trees at the rear of their gardens. The area is reportedly overgrown and blocking light to their property as well as causing damage to their fencing. The trees were originally planted to act as a noise buffer from the bypass and to reduce pollution from the road. Members agreed that the trees in question need to be removed to allow light into the gardens. **ACTION – Clerk to seek quotes to cut down the trees, for approval at Full Council in February.**

18/489 ANY OTHER BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE OR FOR INCLUSION ON THE NEXT AGENDA

None.

The meeting closed at 9.35pm.