**LANGAR CUM BARNSTONE PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held via video conference commencing at 7.30pm on Thursday 9th July

***Present****: Cllrs C Harper (Chairman) N Pulford (Vice Chair), A Bellamy, J Fry,* *J Holland,* *K Risk, N Pulford, T Simpson, N Clarke, T Combellack, S Bailey*

**1. Declaration of Interest:**

 Cllr Harper declared a personal interest in Item 8 Finance as husband of J Harper.

 **2.** **Apologies for Absence:**

 Apologies received from Cllr. K Morris, Cllr. S Bailey, Cllr Purdue-Horan, &

 Cllr. N Clarke.

**3. Approval of Minutes held on 11th June 2020**

 It was **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the above meeting, which were duly signed

 by the Chairman.

**4. Matters for Report:**

 There were no matters to report.

**5. Public Open Session:**

 There were no members of public present.

 **6**. **Village Hall**

 **a**. Welham Architects: Plans were ratified and Welham Architects were advised that they could

 apply for Tenders..

 **b.** Village Hall Grant – Grant for loss of earnings, has been awarded by RBC.

 **7. Police reports** Police stakeholder report received circulated & filed.

**8. Borough & County Council reports:** Councillor’s Connections received, circulated & filed.

**9. Planning Applications:**

 No planning applications have been received.

 **10. Planning Notifications:**

 No planning notifications have been received

 **11. Finances for Parish Council:**

All finances to follow, due to problems accessing the bank accounts**.**

 **12. Finances for Village Hall:**

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 **Matters for Consideration.**

 **13. Muga/Park**

 It was resolved that an amenities committee needs to be formed to make it compliant &

 more manageable.

 **14. Kent Services:**

It was resolved to include on Kent services contract, removal of surplus grass at

 Barnstone play park, at the beginning of the lawn cutting season each year, and mow

 the additional grass near the wildflower area, on each subsequent visit.

 **15. Correspondence Including Virtual Meetings:**

As per advice taken from NALC, it was resolved to continue Parish Council Meetings via

 Zoom.

 **16. Risk Assessments:**

 It was confirmed that all risk assessments have been completed, prior to all park

 areas re-opening and confirmed that the play area has been deep cleaned, in line with

 Covid 19, requirements.

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**17. Housing Development – Orchard Close**

 Although an email had been received from the proposer’s, as validation had not yet

 been received from RBC, it was resolved that this item would be discussed in more detail,

 once notification received.

**18. Councillors Reports:**

* **Several Councillors’** expressed concern at the events surrounding the re-opening of the Unicorn’s Head on Saturday 4th July**.** The Clerk indicated that the issues raised by the residents had been passed on to the Licensing Officer and the Environmental Officer at RBC.
* **Cllr Pulford** reported that the bench in front of the church is in dire need of repair or replacement.
* **Cllr Simpson** reported that that several of the pavments and verges were becoming very over grown and require urgent attention.
* **Cllr Fry** reported that the bus service is now up and running on the regular timetable.

 **19. Date of next meeting:** Thursday 10th September 2020

**There being no further business, the meeting closed at 20.45 hours**

 **Signed ........................................................................ Chairman**

 **Date ..........................................................................**

In accordance with Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies Admissions to Meetings Act 1960 it is resolved that, due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the public and press are asked to leave the meeting during consideration of:

**20. Employees.**

It was resolved that the Litter Picker and Lengthsman would be returning to work on Monday

 13th July 2020.

 It was confirmed that all PPE requirements and Risk Assessments were in place.