

MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING 31 JANUARY 2019 COMRADES HALL

PRESENT: Cllr. Rowland Hibbard (Chairman), Cllr. David Leader (Vice Chairman), Cllr. Tim Bassett, Cllr. Steve Chubb, Cllr. Lloyd Curtis, Cllr. Andrew Frampton, Cllr. Brian Hedditch, Cllr. Kevin Madder-Smith, Cllr. Jacqui Sewell.

ATTENDANCE: Helen Cudmore (Clerk).

The Meeting commenced at 7.30 pm and was opened by the Chairman. There were two members of the public present. Councillor Hibbard welcomed Councillors and members of the public to the Meeting.

1. APOLOGIES AND APPROVAL OF ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllrs. Bodycombe, Chumbley, Hardwill, Laurie, Rowe and Smith and unanimously approved by the Parish Council.

- 2. DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS, DISPENSATIONS AND REGISTER OF INTERESTS UPDATES
- a. To receive disclosures of personal and prejudicial interests from Councillors and employees on matters to be considered at the Meeting.

None

b. To receive requests for dispensations.

None.

c. To grant any requests for dispensation.

None.

d. To receive any updates to the Register of Interests from Councillors.

No updates were received.

3. MATTERS ARISING

None.

4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Members of the public were invited to address the Council by Councillor Hibbard. No matters were raised.

5. MULTI-USE GAMES AREA PROJECT

a. To approve the commercial contractor for the installation of the Multi-Use Games Area Councillor Leader reported that following the delay in the project, the original contractor had declined to re-tender and subsequently a new tendering process had to take place. Councillor Leader stated that three quotations had now been received and that he had attended a meeting with all three companies onsite and had held a number of discussions. Councillor Leader stated that all quotations had been circulated prior to the Extraordinary Meeting and Councillors confirmed that they had reviewed all documentation. Councillor Leader stated that the MUGA Working Group had selected its preferred contractor as Priestwood Vision Limited. Councillor Leader stated that the company had been very accommodating and flexible in its approach and had provided the most competitive quotation. Councillor Bassett stated that one of the quotations received seemed to be overpriced, Councillor Leader stated that it was a very good company which usually delivered much larger scale projects. Councillors confirmed that they had reviewed each of the quotations received and Councillor Hibbard asked if there were any further questions, there were none. Councillor Hibbard asked the Council for its approval to appoint Priestwood Vision Limited as the contractor for the installation of the MUGA project.

Resolved: Proposed by Councillor Bassett, seconded by Councillor Hedditch and agreed by a show of hands, the Council unanimously approved the appointment of Priestwood Vision Limited as the contractor for the MUGA project.

b. To approve a reserve commercial contractor for the installation of the Multi-Use Games Area

Councillor Leader stated that he recommended that a reserve contractor Fieldform be appointed as they offered the next most competitive quotation. Councillors agreed.

Resolved: Proposed by Councillor Bassett, seconded by Councillor Chubb and agreed by a show of hands, the Council unanimously approved the appointment of Fieldform as the reserve contractor for the MUGA project.

c. To approve the Lease of Land Agreement between Dorset County Council and Broadwindsor Group Parish Council

Councillor Leader stated that he had now received the draft lease from Dorset County Council and that this had been circulated prior to the Extraordinary Meeting. Councillor Curtis asked how long the lease was for, Councillor Leader confirmed that it was for ninety-nine years. Councillor Leader reported that he had received a number of comments from Councillor Rowe and could now provide further clarification on a number of issues. Councillor Leader confirmed that rates would not be payable by the Parish Council unless at some point in the future, rules changed and in such a situation, charges would be split between the Parish Council and Broadwindsor School. Councillor Leader stated that the wooden fence along the roadside would remain the responsibility of Dorset County Council. Councillor Leader stated that the definition of 'surface media' is area both underground and overground. Councillor Leader confirmed that the drains were outside of the MUGA site. Councillor Leader stated

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that the Parish Council would take on the responsibility of the trees surrounding the site and stated that this would incur some additional costs. Councillor Chubb asked whether the trees required trimming at this time, Councillor Leader stated that they did not. Councillor Madder-Smith asked if any trees required removing. Councillor Leader stated that one failing tree would be removed close to the Community Shop and that this would be replaced. Councillor Curtis stated that the quality of the soil in that location was poor.

Councillor Leader confirmed that Dorset County Council has the right to break the lease agreement and if it does so within the first twenty years, it would have to repay all costs in full to the Parish Council. Councillor Leader stated that after twenty years, penalties would still apply, namely costs would be repaid reduced by £2,000 per annum and that compensation would apply for up to forty-five years. Councillor Leader stated that he believed this to be very reasonable. Councillor Hibbard asked the Council to approve the Lease.

Resolved: Proposed by Councillor Chubb, seconded by Councillor Madder-Smith and agreed by a show of hands, the Council unanimously approved the Lease of Land Agreement between the Parish Council and Dorset County Council.

Councillor Hibbard thanked Councillor Leader and the MUGA Working Group for their hard work and commitment to the project, Councillors concurred.

6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Members of the public were invited to address the Council by Councillor Hibbard. A member of the public asked to see a plan of the MUGA site, a copy was provided. A brief background to the project was provided by Councillors Hibbard and Leader and the member of the public was informed that further information and plans could be found on the Parish Council's website. A member of the public asked about the timescale for the project, Councillor Leader stated that works need to be carried out outside of School term to allow for minimum disruption. Councillor Leader stated that the earliest start date would be 1 April and if this was not achievable, then the project would start at the beginning of the summer holidays in July.

7. CLOSE

The Council Meeting was formally closed at 7.48 pm. Councillor Hibbard thanked everyone for attending.