**WIDDRINGTON STATION & STOBSWOOD PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE**

 **ON WEDNESDAY 10TH MAY 2023 COMMENCING AT 6.30. P.M.**

In attendance were Councillors Mrs M Willoughby (Chair), K Batson, A Carrier

Members of Public 7,

**1.** **To receive apologies for absence**

 None

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**2.To receive declarations of interest**

 Cllr Batson declared a non-pecuniary interest in regard to any matters relating to the Stobswood Welfare.

**3.To receive questions and comments from members of the public (time limited to 20 minutes in total)**

 **Fir Tree Nurseries**

 **LH** Concerned for the number of trees being cut down at the location and that the contractors are attending site at 5.30am to commence work

 8 Holiday Lodges & restaurant are said to have been given planning approval for the site?

**MW** – No planning permission has been given for 8 holiday lodges and a restaurant.

**MW** – The trees are being harvested as was agreed that when the Opencast was finished the Pine trees could be removed and harvested.

**LH** – Concerned that the woods behind Woodburn Street in Stobswood will be the next to be removed and built on

**KB** – Suggests that a TPO application be submitted to prevent at destruction of the woodland

**RB** – Maple Drive – grass and play parks. The location is not being maintained and is a mess. Who is responsible

**MW** – Harewood Green Associates are responsible for the upkeep of the grass areas and play parks. They purchased the land and woods from Grainger. S Dickinson has spoken to Legal at CH to try to pursue Harewood Green and their responsibilities without success to date. Enforcement have contacted their associate Mr Eliz without success

**S Dickinson** is to organise some of his staff to attend and strim the grass in Maple Drive and surrounding area

**LH** – How can we oppose the development of Fir Trees

**MW** – Petition to CH Planning department

**4. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 10th May 2023 for approval and adoption.**

Cllr Mrs Willoughby proposed to approve and adopt the minutes. The proposal was seconded by Cllr Batson and carried.

 **5. Matters Arising on the Minutes**

Picnic in the Park – Kings Coronation

 Insurance – Is the Park covered by out Insurance Policy – To confirm

 AWI – CCTV coverage of rear carpark at COOP – **AC** to deal with further CCTV at the location

 **6. Reports from Outside Bodies**

 Defib Pads – ATAC & Community Centre

 Party in the Park - St Johns Ambulance – First Aid cover

 **7.Correspondance Received**

Ansvar Insurance – Confirmation & payment for 2023 Public liability Insurance for Community Centre

 **8. Planning Applications**

 Myosotis, Grangemoor Road – Demolish existing extension & replace with a new rear extension

**9.Finance**

i) Parish Clerk’s financial statement – monthly update – Bank of Ireland Account Balance as at **May 2023**

 reconciled with Bank Account statement for. **May 2023 (not yet received)**

ii) Payments for Approval: -

Thomas Sherriff (Lawn Mower) £689.05

 NCC – Waste contract – Community Centre Annual payment £620.88

 Ken Arries – Reimbursement for fuel (Lawn Mower) £92.25

 Viking Payments (Admin) £156.35

 HMRC (Paye NICS) £407.13

 Clerk Wage £856.32

 Caretaker £503.84

 Operative wage £411.43

 Operative wage £375.52

 Operative wage £271.36

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 **12. To consider any urgent business which shall be limited to circumstances in which the Council’s responsibilities**

 **cannot be met or the Council’s interests are likely to be prejudiced, if the business is deferred to the next**

 **available meeting.** none

 **14. To be held in closed session**

 **Councillors resolved that members of the public and press are excluded from the remainder of the meeting which**

 **is to be held in closed session due to the confidential nature of the business to be discussed.**

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 **Meeting closed .**

**Signed ----------------------------------------------------------------------------------- Date-----------------------------------------------------**

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