

## Greencroft Parish Council

### Minutes of the Meeting held on 26 October 2020

**Present: Sandra McDonagh (Chair), John Johnson, Barbara Jamieson, Chris Lee, Dorothy Parry, Jane Cain, Paul McAdam (Clerk)**

**Apologies: Councillor Jude Consideine**

#### **55/20 Declarations of Interest**

None.

#### **56/20 Public Participation**

None.

#### **57/20 Minutes of the last Meeting**

**Resolved** that the minutes of the meeting held on 29 September 2020 be **AGREED** as a correct record.

#### **58/20 Planning and Road works**

DCC reports had been circulated - no matters raised

Discussion regarding Planning Application regarding land to the north of 1 Lanchester Road.

It was **AGREED** that there were no grounds on which Greencroft Parish Council could object to the planning application.

There were some content of the application which the Council did not agree with and felt that it was important for a response to be made regarding with these points

- There could be a safety aspect as the entrance will be at a point where vehicles often speed dangerously
- Access to the properties could be an issue
- Reference to the pathway is not accurate as the path is not well lit and dangerous at night
- Reference is made to bus services which are not very good and therefore unlikely to be used by prospective buyers

It was **AGREED** that the Clerk will send a response to the planning application from Greencroft Parish Council in relation to these points.

#### **59/20 Budget**

Budget position circulated prior to meeting showing that spending for 2020/21 was on target.

Balance of account at last statement (25/8/20) was £9,459.91 but there were payments to clear totalling £758.60.

### **60/20 Raised Flower Borders/Pants**

Brief discussion held regarding the need for improvements and it was **AGREED** to revisit this issue next year

### **61/20 Clerk Update**

Clerk updated the meeting that he had received feedback from Durham County Council that the remaining Section 106 Grant Funding could not be used on a Christmas Tree as that was a significantly different proposal and new application would be required.

Clerk has been attending training sessions organised by CDALC which have been beneficial and it appears that practices within Greencroft Parish are acceptable and appropriate.

Hours worked for October have been higher due to the training and anticipated to be 16 in total.

### **62/20 Accounts for Payment**

CDALC - £50.00 for Clerks Training Sessions.

A.D Purves - £601.20 for Grass Cutting Services

**Resolved** – To process the payments

### **63/20 Seat and Fence Inspections**

Chris Lee reported that there were no cases of repairs being required but there would be a need for seats to be repainted next year.

### **64/20 Questions from Members**

None received.

### **65/20 Chair Announcements**

The Chair reported that the fence at the entrance to the village that had been reported as damaged had now been repaired by Durham County Council.

### **66/20 Next Meeting**

Tuesday 24 November 2020 at 6.00pm remotely via Zoom