**Barnoldswick Town Council**

**The Civic Hall, Station Road, Barnoldswick, BB18 5NA**

**Tel 01282 788090**

Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on Wednesday 11th March 2020 at The Rainhall Centre, Barnoldswick

**Cllr Tom Whipp, Chairman**

Councillors: Chris Church, Jodie Hoyle, David Whipp, John Rose Parker, Kirsty Rose Parker, Jayne Mills & Mike Whittingham

**19/87 Apologies for absence**

Apologies were received from Councillors: Emma West, Lindsay Gaskell, Mike Pearce, Marjorie Adams & Ken Hartley

**19/88 Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest

**19/89 Open Forum**

No members of the public present

**19/90 Minutes of the last meeting**

**Resolved:** That the minutes of the last Full Council Meeting held on the 8th January 2020 be approved and signed by Cllr Tom Whipp.

**19/91 Committee/Working Groups reports**

1. General Purposes – 12th February 2020

Sandbags have been purchased. We did have 5 pallets but due to recent flooding we now have 2.5 pallets left.

Environmental Schemes - Bloom recommended turf with wildflowers. There are alternative option which will cost less initially but more long term.

**Resolved:** To install wildflower meadow at Letcliffe

19/52 container for market. Quotes are around £2200

**Resolved:** To purchase container for market

Family of Keith Whipp have asked if we can provide relay speakers for the church

**Resolved**: To allow them to use equipment

**Approved as a correct record of the above meeting**

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**Cllr Tom Whipp**

**19/92 Financial Matters**

**Resolved:** To confirm the payments made by the Clerk and that authority be given to the Town Clerk to make payments up to the next Full Council meeting.

**19/93 Application for grant funding**

Bancroft Steam museum are looking for 4 room hire bookings at the Civic Hall

**Resolved:** To treat this as an internal transfer rather than a grant. This was agreed.

**19/94 a) Appointment of the Internal Auditor**

**Resolved:** Windle and Bowker to undertake as long as reasonable. Clerk to agree in consultation with the Chairman.

**b) Risk Assessment Schedule**

Events - Cancellation of events - Clerk to look at policy.

Business Interuption Cover - Clerk to contact insurance company

**Resolved:** Risk Assessment approved

c) **Effectiveness of the Internal Audit**

**Resolved:** To approve

**19/95 Community Asset Transfer from Pendle BC**

**Resolved:** To arrange a meeting and to ask them what other land is in their ownership.

**19/96 Compost**

Resolved: Agreed to purchase and Bloom to contribute to cost

**19/97 Drainage Work on the culvert at Raikes Beck/Crownest Syke**

Flooded ⅘ years ago. PBC have dug out the entrance. The sediment had built back up. It is the responsibility of the unit owners however Pendle BC have cleared it out. PBC want to improve the access to the culvert. Proposal to open up the channel so sediment can settle. Relevance to Town Council is that we own adjacent land at Havre Park allotments.

**Resolved:** To allow them to use the land to improve the culvert entrance.

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**Cllr Tom Whipp**

**19/98 Hedge Planting at Letcliffe Park**

**Resol**ved: To approve scheme

**19/99 Letcliffe Park extension to sett paving**

**Resolved:** To agree to the scheme with the cost for the installation to be approved by Council.

**19/100 Hope Church Group**

**Resolved:** To allow them to use the pop up and electricity on Good Friday

**19/101 Town Green Crosses**

We have had them removed and significant damage to base.

**Resolved:** To get prices for taking off bottoms, blasting and powder coating. Delegate authority to Clerk in conjunction with Chair and circulate costs.

**19/102 Town Centre Improvement Update**

Update and plans circulated. Looking to move Old Gormless from town square to behind main bus stop. Moving Gayles bench to same area and put daffodils around it. Request for memorial to Molly. Possibility of putting paw prints in to the flags.

Architectural features: looking at the back side beds and to have a feature in each bed. Ideas corten steel panel with inscriptions on. Turbine blade from Rolls Royce. Developers at the Old Vicarage have offered to give us the window surrounds and doorways - idea to create a sculpture at Letcliffe. KRP suggested an arts council bid to get a professional artist.

**Resolved:** note this information. Apply for Arts Council grant for sculptures.

**19/103 Covid-19**

Resolved: To grant authority to the Clerk to make decisions on behalf of the Council where such decision could not reasonably be deferred and must be made in order to comply with a commercial or statutory deadline. For a decision about the continuation or cancellation of any event the Clerk will email all councillors and the decision will be taken on the majority decision. Signage to be placed in our buildings advising how to wash your hands properly.

**19/104 Corresondence**

None received

**The next meeting of the Full Council will be on the 13th May 2020 at 7pm at The Rainhall Centre**

**For further information please contact: Joanne Geldard, Town Clerk, The Civic Hall, Station Road, Barnoldswick, BB18 5NA**

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