**Agenda Item 4**

**BARNOLDSWICK TOWN COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on Wednesday 13th January 2021 by Zoom

**Cllr Tom Whipp, Chairman**

**Present**

Councillors David Whipp, Jodie Hoyle, Mike Whittingham, Chris Church, Lindsay Gaskell, Jayne Mills, Callum Hird, Mick Strickland, Emma West, John Rose Parker

**20/50 Apologies for Absence**

Cllrs Marjorie Adams, Ken Hartley & Mike Pearce

**20/51 Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest

**20/52 Open Forum**

No emails were received and no questions were asked via the YouTube broadcast.

**20/53 Minutes of the last meeting**

**Resolved:** That the minutes of the last Full Council Meeting held on the 9th December 2020 be approved as a correct record

**20/54 Financial Matters**

1. To confirm approval of payments made by the Town Clerk to the Council since the last meeting of the Council and to delegate consent for payments to be made prior to the next meeting of the Council

**Resolved:** That authority be delegated to the Town Clerk to make payments up to the next Full Council meeting.

**20/55 2020/2021 Estimated Out-turn & 2021/2022 Budget**

**a) 2020/2021 estimated Out-turn**

The Clerk reported that there would be an approximate year end balance of £229,365 this includes some ringfenced funds.

**b) 2021/2022 Budget proposal**

The Clerk presented the budget

**c) To consider allotment rents for 2021/2022**

The Clerk recommended that the allotment rents stay at the 2020/2021 levels

**d) Setting of precent 2021/2022**

**Resolved:** That there would be an out-turn of 229,365, that the draft budget as presented on agenda item 6b be approved. That allotment rents stay at 2020/2021 levels. That the consequent budget requirement of £324,100 be met as follows:

Civic Hall 20000

Market 5000

Parks 2000

Allotments 5000

Use of Reserves 22500

Precept 269600

**Resolved:That the precept be set at 269600 for 2021/2022**

**20/56 Hanging Basket & Grass Cutting Contract**

Currently supplied by Gledstone and Mark Bell.

**Resolved:** Waive financial regs and award the contract to Gledstone due to the quality of previous supplies on the condition that price is similar. Extend the contract for the watering for another year on the proviso the price is the same. Grass Cutting to be put out to tender.

**20/57 To consider Summer Planting**

Underspend in 2020/2021 due to a reduction in planting this year. Bloom Group are keen to have a special display on Forrester Beds expressing thanks to front line workers.

**Resolved:** Authorise Clerk in conjunction with Bloom Group to order plants and planting needed. To pass thanks on to Bloom for their work in 2020/2021.

**20/58 Skate Park Survey Results and next steps**

Cllr Tom Whipp verbally advised the skate park survey results. A discussion took place around what we currently have and the requirements.

**Resolved:** To note the skate park survey results, to set up a skate park committee. To make a temporary repair to the half pipe. To allow the committee to seek funding and get quotes with the proviso that anything installed must meet current requirements. To appoint the following Councillors as representatives on the committee: Cllrs Tom Whipp, Mike Whittingham, Callum Hird, Mick Strickland and Jodie Hoyle.

**20/59 To consider Transdev bus services**

Cllr Jodie Hoyle advised that the services had deteriorated since March 2020. The 7.53 am bus is full and people are being turned away and finding it difficult to get to work due to this. Various issues with school buses were highlighted to the Council.

**Resolved**: For Cllr Mike Whittingham & Cllr Jodie Hoyle to represent the Town Council at the forthcoming meeting with Transdev.

**20/60 Correspondence/Items for information**

None received.

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

**Signed………………………………………………………**

**Date…………………………………………………………**

**Cllr Tom Whipp – Chair of the Full Council**

**The next meeting of the Full Council will be held on 10th February 2021**

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