Boyton Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting held at 7:30pm on Monday 29th November 2021 at Boyton Parish Church Hall.

Present: Cllr. Stanbury (Chairman), Cllr. Bennett, Cllr. Sanders, Cllr. Smith, Cllr. Willetts and Cllr.

Wood, and Cllr. Law.

Andrew Wyer (Parish Clerk) and 3 members of the public

2111/97 Apologies

There were no apologies.

2111/98 Chairman's Comments

The Chairman welcomed the Councillors and members of the public to the meeting before thanking the outgoing Clerk, Andi Wyer, and wishing him well in his new job.

2111/99 Questions from the Public

A question was raised about the large reserves that the Council has. (Councillors indicated that this would be discussed as part of the budget item.)

2111/100 Declarations of Pecuniary Interests

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

2111/101 Declarations of other Interests

There were no declarations of personal interest.

2111/102 Minutes of the previous meeting

It was RESOLVED to approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 25th October 2021.

2111/103 Matters Arising / Clerks Report

The Clerk reported that he had emailed Oliver Jones about the pole for mounting the vehicle activated speed sign on but had received no reply. He would chase this up, copying in Adam Paynter. The speed camera is working well and recording about 5 people per day doing 40mph+ near the school. The Council had also received £3340 as a CIL payment. This would need to be spent on infrastructure projects by 31/10/2026.

2111/104 Planning Applications

There were no planning applications to consider.

2111/105 Finances

It was RESOLVED to make the following payments

Chq. 843A.WyerSalary (November)£309.80Chq. 844HMRCPAYE (November)£77.60

2111/106 Budget and Precept

It was resolved to set a budget for 2022/2023 of £6633 and to agree a precept requirement of £2000. The Clerk reminded Councillors that this was the 2nd year that they had requested an artificially low precept and that at some point in the future they would need to return the precept to a more realistic figure – which would show as a massive % increase on the tax bill. Councillors were adamant that they should support residents during the ongoing Covid situation, and the reserves could easily cover the cost. Councillors agreed to discuss possible CIL projects at the January meeting.

2111/107 Clerk Vacancy

Advert to go on Indeed and CALC, the website, noticeboards and possibly the village diary. This would be the same advert as last time. The Clerk will share a copy of the contract, so Councillors are aware. Interview panel to be Cllrs. Stanbury, Smith, Law and Wood.

2111/108 Grass Cutting Contract

It was resolved to leave this issue until the new year.

2111/109 Correspondence

It was RESOLVED to note the correspondence received since the last meeting.

2111/110 Members Announcements

An opportunity for Councillors to exchange information relevant to the Parish and/or to identify items for the next Agenda.

Cllr. Willetts – Have we had a response to our letter about Boyton School? (Clerk will chase). Logo fading on Boyton sign (Cllr. Law has original source design).

Cllr. Wood – looking forward to the full application now the pre-planning application for a development at Trevoya Park has been approved.

Cllr. Bennett – As the clerk no longer has access to road salt, Cllr. Bennett will source it from Travis Perkins .

2111/111 Public Participation

Please can the Council consult on possible CIL project options? It was suggested that the Jubilee celebration ideas could feature on the same leaflet.

2111/112 Date of Next Meeting

11th January 2022