HORNDEAN PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD VIRTUALLY ON 30TH NOVEMBER 2020 AT 7.00 P.M. WITH MICROSOFT TEAMS

PRESENT: Councillors Mrs L Evans (Chairman), A Forbes (Vice Chairman), D Alexander, D Evans, B Raymond, Mrs E Tickell, R Veitch, J Lay, P Beck, P Little

IN ATTENDANCE: Carla Baverstock-Jones, Chief Officer; Sarah Guy, Operations Officer (Meeting Facilitator & Minute Taker); Simon Ritson (Responsible Finance Officer); Matthew Madill (Grounds Manager)

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE: There were no members of the public or press present.

HPC 102/20/21 **TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Cllr D Prosser. Cllr Mrs I weeks did not attend.

HPC 103/20/21 **TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of pecuniary interest were received.

HPC 104/20/21 **TO OPEN THE MEETING TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

There were no members of the public or press present.

HPC 105/20/21 **TO CONSIDER A BUDGET FOR THE PURCHASE OF A NEW COUNTRYSIDE VEHICLE AND AGREE THE WAY FORWARD**

A report by the Chief Officer was circulated and a discussion took place.

The majority view of Members was for Council to set a budget of 25k and to purchase a countryside vehicle (newer model, no older than 2/3 years) with a manufacturer's warranty included and a secure tool storage area.

Cllr Veitch stated that he believed purchasing an older vehicle was a false economy, as said there would be more maintenance costs involved in doing so.

Cllr D Alexander suggested that he thought the budget should be set to 20k, as per the EMR for replacement vehicles. The Chairman explained that 6k would be coming from the insurance claim.

It was **RESOLVED** that the budget for the purchase of a new countryside vehicle be set at 25k with the Chief Officer being given delegated powers as to which vehicle is purchased.

This was proposed by Cllr Mrs L Evans on the basis of the overall views of members and then seconded by Cllr P Beck. A vote was recorded where 8 Members agreed, Cllr D Alexander voted against the decision and Cllr Mrs L Evans abstained.

Meeting concluded & recording ended at 7.35pm

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Signed - The Chairman

4/2/2021

Date

Virtual meetings