**LAMESLEY PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the proceedings of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held in the Millennium Centre, Kibblesworth on **Monday 11th November 2019 at 7.00 pm**, pursuant to notice duly given.

**PRESENT**: The Chairperson: Councillor J Callaghan in the Chair.

Councillors: T Glasgow, H Nixon, M Hood,

R Harrison and R Nixon.

78 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:**

An apology for absence was received from Councillor’s S Brown,

C Bradley, C Kendal and A Batten,

The following vacancies were shared:

Kibblesworth Ward – 6 Members.

Coun R Harrison, Coun Steve Brown, Coun Tracey Glasgow,

Coun Heather Nixon and Coun Roy Nixon

(One Vacancy)

Longshanks & Team Colliery Ward – 3 Members

Coun Jackie Callaghan, Coun Christine Bradley.

(One Vacancy).

Eighton Banks Ward – 5 Members

Coun Michael Hood, Coun Andrew Batten

(3 Vacancies)

Lady Park & Lamesley – 1 Member

Coun Celia Kendal

79 **MINUTES: DISCUSSION, ACTION AND QUESTIONS ON MINUTES OF**

 **LAST MEETING**

**Resolved:** Ordinary Meeting of the Council **Monday 14th October 2019** been approved.

Cllr Callaghan extended congratulations on behalf of members to Cllr Hood on his recent wedding.

80  **CORRESPONDANCE:**

A) Rev Huw John Sperring, Kibblesworth Methodist Church, community side, submitted a thank you letter for the Parish donation of £500 towards repairs.

 B) Cllr Callaghan shared the response email from Marion Ranson Re:

 ALTONA Van update. The police have spoken to the owner of the van and it

 is currently being parked responsibly causing no obstructions.

 C) The forthcoming GE Code of Practice Document was shared although this

 does not affect the Parish directly.

 D) Confirmation from PC Michael Otterson 2594 Patrol Officer, that he will be

 attending later in the meeting.

 E) Invoice from Gateshead Council Re: Audit. was discussed and it was

 agreed that the £408 requested was not an acceptable increase from

 previous years of £108. Cllr Callaghan requested a meeting be arranged to

 discuss this further with Gillian Piper, Senior Audit & Risk officer.

 F) Invoice from Helping Hands Re: garden upkeep 2019, was discussed and

 agreed that Cllr Callaghan will speak to them regarding the invoice for £400

 to have a clear understanding of what services are being provided for

 such an amount.

 G) Cllr Callaghan shared the response from Northern Powergrid which Cllr

 Shiela Gallagher had received after querying the amount of power cuts

 Kibblesworth Village has. They have confirmed that as far a they are aware

 there have been no power cuts since 1st September 2019 and advised

 residents keep reporting them.

No further grant requests have been received.

81 **REPORTS OF THE COUNCIL OR ANY OTHERS THAT AFFECT THE**

 **COUNCIL**

* OVERGOWN HEDGES/TREES – No change around Gardner square area.Concerns shared of the amount of leaves throughout the Parish which could cause further blockages of drains leading to further flooding**.**
* OVERFLOWING BINS/ FLY TIPPING – **NO FURTHER UPDATE**
* MOTORCROSS BIKES – Cllr Callaghan attended a meeting regarding the update for cycle paths and the surrounding areas through Bowes lines voicing her concerns of motocross bikes access and how this will be managed.
* NEW BUILDS (KIBBLESWORTH) - **NO FURTHER UPDATE**
* FLOODING – members agreed that flooding around Lamesley area is an ongoing issue and continues to be investigated.

82 **FINANCIAL REPORT**

 A) The bank accounts are still to be transferred to Ms Lawrence.Further

 meetings at Lloyds will take place when all the relevant Cllr signatures have

 been collated. Current account balance is £16,781.38.

 B) A Draft Budget/Projected Calculations were shared. It was agreed this was a

 difficult area to discuss in depth having no access to the account and a sub

 committee will be agreed. Ms Lawrence, Cllr’s Callaghan and R Nixon agreed to

 be on the committee, other Cll’s are encouraged to partake. The initial

 meeting will take place in January 2020.,

 83 **MATTERS IN PROGRESS.**

1. **WEBSITE:** Ms Lawrence presented the Draft Website to the meeting and requested that all Cllr’s forward a personal statement paragraph and photo which can be added.

84 **PLANNING MATTERS:**

 Gateshead Council has forwarded details of all applications received from

 within the Parish Council’s area as part of the consultation process.

 **Resolved:** That the following applications be received and noted:-

1. Proposed junior play ground and skate park **AT:** Cranberry Plantation,

Bobby Shaftoe Caravan Park, Hammer Square Bank, Kibblesworth

 Birtley

B)Change of use from community centre (D2) to mixed use community centre

 and hairdressing salon (Sui Generis) (description amended 31.07.2019)

 **AT:** Millennium Centre, Kibblesworth Village, Grange Terrace, Kibblesworth

 **Granted**

 C) A1 Coalhouse maps were shared.

85 **ADDITIONAL MATTERS:**

 No further matters to discuss.

86 **Next Parish meeting**

The next Parish meeting will take place on: **Monday 13th January 2020 at 7pm**

This will be the final meeting of 2019 before recess during December.

Council agreed that hair Cllr Callaghan and Clerk Ms a Lawrence, will be allowed delegated powers during recess.

87 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

At this point of the meeting any member of the Public present is

able to ask questions or make suggestions to the Members of

the Council present provided they have given notice of the

questions or suggestions to the Chairperson or Clerk by 6pm on

 the Monday prior to the meeting

1. On the advice of Cllr Harrison representation from Kibblesworth and Ravensworth Bowling clubs attended and Kibblesworth Cricket club.
2. Michael Otterson 2594 Patrol Officer attended with colleague,

 Cllr Callaghan advised, for future reference, a written request for attendance must be submitted to allow the appropriate time to be incorporated within the meeting so all subjects are covered.

 Mr Otterson gave a brief oversight into his role within the Parish and how patrols are being increased providing residents the time to share any new or ongoing issues. Police contact emails will be added to the Parish website.

 Spokesperson for Kibblesworth Bowling club explained their concerns of the request from Gateshead council for an Asset Transfer of the grounds the clubs play on. A very in-depth discussion took place with all members, and representatives, covering potential costings and solutions. The club representatives were advised to create a team of named members from both cricket and bowling clubs to discuss all the possibilities of a consortium for the whole park.

 It was unanimously agreed that Kibblesworth suffers rural depravation and

 has a high aging population, therefore closing the bowling/cricket clubs would

 enforce further isolation, potentially impacting on the physical and mental

 wellbeing of residents. The Parish can not commit to funding such a scheme

 regularly, or long term, therefore further meetings with all members must take

 place to agree a solution. Cllr Callaghan reassured attendees that the Parish

 could provide some support in attending meetings and advice when

 appropriate.

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| Chairperson  | Councillor Jackie Callaghan  | Date |
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| Parish Clerk  | Anita Lawrence  | Date  |
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