Minutes of a Meeting of Livesey Parish Council held on 10 January 2020 at Livesey Parish Community Hall, York Terrace, Feniscowles, Blackburn.

Present: Cllrs J Malowana – Murphy (in the Chair), D Hardman, K Malowana - Murphy, C Hardman, J Pearson and J Arnold.

Before the start of the meeting Councillors gave a warm welcome to Cllr J Arnold who was attending his first meeting as a Parish Councillor.

#### 5561 Apologies for Absence

There were apologies for absence from Cllr J Croasdale.

#### **5562 Declarations of Interest**

Declarations of interest were received in respect of the following areas from, Cllr J. Malowana - Murphy Livesey Parish Hall Committee, Rosebay Wood Group, Livesey Library, St Pauls School and Rooftop Bees. Cllr K Malowana-Murphy Livesey Library and Rooftop Bees. Cllr D Hardman Planning, Immanuel Scouts and Cherry Tree Cricket Club. Cllr C Hardman Immanuel Guides. Cllr J Pearson Rosebay Wood Group, Planning and Feniscowles Trust.

#### 5563 Minutes of the Meeting held on 8 November 2019

**RESOLVED:** that the Minutes of the Meeting held on 8 November 2019, having been circulated, be received as a correct record, and be approved and signed by the Chairman.

# Meeting adjourned at 7.50pm for local issues

Details of local issues are included in the clerk's report.

## Meeting reconvened at 8.15pm

#### 5564 Accounts

**RESOLVED:** that the following accounts be approved:

Clerks Salary: £ 266.40, Gardening Services: £ 1282.50 (already paid), Grant: £ 500.00 (already paid), Donation: £ 200.00 (already paid).

#### 5565 Planning

There were 11 planning applications on the schedule.

Councillors had no objections to the applications received.

#### 5566 Rosebay Wood

There was no further update for this agenda item. Councillors asked what was happening with the funds that had accumulated in the Rosebay Wood Bank Account, and would it not be sensible to spend that money to improve the area. Local Organisations could get involved if a suitable project was agreed. This item would remain on the agenda.

#### 5567 Defibrillator for the Parish Hall.

The clerk had contacted Heidi Pugh who was the guardian for the defibrillator. She would advise the Ambulance Service of the dates the Parish Hall was free, and would arrange an appropriate date for the training to be carried out.

# Action: the clerk to find out from Heidi Pugh when the training day would be held.

#### 5568 Land Registry.

The clerk had received the terms of reference from the solicitor who was acting on behalf of the Parish Council and got the Chairman to sign a copy at the meeting. This had been forwarded to the solicitor by the clerk. There was also a requirement for two councillors to send off proof of identity which had been done. The clerk was asked to contact the Lancashire County Records Department to find out if any information on the ownership of the Village Hall had been stored.

## 5569 10 April 2020 Meeting

As the 10<sup>th</sup> April was on Good Friday Councillors agreed to change the meeting date to 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2020 which was the first Friday of the month.

#### 5570 To Receive Items for Information

There we no items for information.

#### **Exclusion of the Public and Press**

#### 5571 Financial Position 10 January 2020

The clerk had circulated to Councillors the latest financial position of the Parish Council which related to 10 January 2020.

#### The financial position was noted and approved by Councillors.

## 5572 Precept Update 2020-21

The clerk had been asked to produce the latest information on the precept for 2020-21. The information included the new baseline figure for 2020-21 which had increased from (1977.24 to 2060.12) an increase of 82.88. Following discussion, it

was agreed that the precept should increase by the baseliner figure only. The precept figure for 2020-21 would be £18388 (See Appendix A).

## **5573 Gardening Contract**

The clerk would table information on the gardening contract for the next meeting.

Action: the clerk to provide updated information on the Gardening Contract.

## **5574 Date and Time of Next Meeting**

**RESOLVED:** that the next meeting of Livesey Parish Council will take place on **Friday 14 February 2020 at 7.30pm** at Livesey Parish Community Hall, York Terrace, Feniscowles, Blackburn.

28-Dec-19

#### Precept for 2019-20

	Total Precept £	Latest Base Calculation	Household Bill charge £	
Parish Precept	17017	2060.12	8.26	93%
Government Grant****	1371	. 0	0	7%
Totals	18388	2060.12	<u>.</u>	100%

<sup>\*\*\*\*</sup>Note: The grant part of the precept is funded separately and can be subject to change.

Increases				Percentage
	£		£	Increase
Base Calculation	17017	2060.12	8.26	0.00 %
	17181	2060.12	8.34	1.00 %
	17346	2060.12	8.42	2.00 %
	17449	2060.12	8.47	2.50 %
	17861	2060.12	8.67	5.00 %

## 1) The charge of £8.26 was originally based on a Band D Property.

2) From 1st April 2013 local council tax support schemes replaced council tax benefit in England.

As a result, the council tax base is reduced where a dwelling is in receipt of council tax support in a similar manner to other council tax discounts. This reduction in the tax base reduces the amount of council tax income that can be raised for the Borough as a whole, and for each Parish. For 2018-19 the Council will again pass down an element of government funding to each Parish to help offset the effects of any reduction in tax base. The grant will be maintained at the level provided in previous years, but will continue to be reviewed on an annual basis.

3) Provisional figure for the baseline is 2060.12 an increase of 82.88 from the previous year of 1977.24

Rory Needham Clerk to Livesey Parish Council

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