**Millington cum Givendale Parish Council**

Minutes of the remote Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 2nd June 2020 at 7pm via Zoom.

Present: Cllrs Burley, Cawood and Swanborough.

The meeting was chaired by Cllr Burley and assisted by the clerk.

**OPEN FORUM**

Nothing was discussed here.

**Meeting started at 7.08pm.**

**2128: Welcome and Apologies –** Cllrs Smith had sent his apologies. Cllr Burton and Francis were not present at this point. Cllr Burley wanted to note that Cllr Cargill had resigned prior to the meeting. ACTION: Clerk to produce a vacancy notice for ERYC and the notice boards.

**2129: Declaration of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interest**

None.

**2130: Approval of AGAR Certificate of Exemption**

The clerk had sent this via email to all Cllrs prior to the meeting. All Cllrs agreed that this could be signed by the Chair. ACTION: Clerk to send the document to Cllr Burley via post for her to sign in accordance with PKF Littlejohns instructions.

**2131: Approval of AGAR Section 1 – Annual Governance Statement**

The clerk had sent this via email to all Cllrs prior to the meeting. All Cllrs agreed that this could be signed by the Chair. ACTION: Clerk to send the document to Cllr Burley via post for her to sign in accordance with PKF Littlejohns instructions.

**2132: Approval of AGAR Section 2 – Accounting Statements**

The clerk had sent this via email to all Cllrs prior to the meeting. All Cllrs agreed that this could be signed by the Chair. ACTION: Clerk to send the document to Cllr Burley via post for her to sign in accordance with PKF Littlejohns instructions.

**Cllr Burton joined the meeting at 7.20pm.**

**2133: Planning Applications:**

19/01537 Erection of single storey and two storey extensions to side and rear. Location: Shedfield Farm, Clay Lane, Millington, YO42 1TX. The decision by ERYC to approve the application was read out by the clerk.

20/00957 Erection of single storey extensions to front. Location: Clay Cottage, Martin Lane, Millington, YO42 1TX. The clerk and Cllr Burley informed the PC that there had been complaints about the handling of this application by several residents who have objected to it. Some of the comments collated by the PC and then submitted to ERYC were inaccurate. The PC have since removed the comments and apologised to the residents who raised this concern. The PC have subsequently received an FOI request from one of the objectors and Cllr Burley is obtaining advice from ERNLLCA about the release of sensitive information that has been requested. The clerk confirmed that the PC submitted a neutral stance to the application. Further information has been received that the application has now been deferred and will be addressed at the next ERYC planning committee meeting.

**Cllr Francis joined the meeting at 7.32pm.**

**2134: Election of Vice Chair**

Cllr Burley asked the Cllrs to consider nominating themselves for this role. ACTION: Clerk to put this on the next agenda for further discussion.

**2135: Articles for the Parish Matters**

A discussion was held, and it was suggested that the next edition be delayed until July due to the current situation.

**2136: Ash Tree at Swineridge**

A lengthy discussion was held about the origins of the Ash tree issue. The clerk confirmed that she has an email from ERYC stating that this tree belongs to the PC and there are no restrictions on it. Cllr Francis proposed that the ash tree be removed, as well as an additional three trees recommend by the tree surgeon. Cllr Cawood suggested that replacement trees be planted. Cllr Swanborough seconded these two motions. The clerk confirmed that the quote from The Tree Fella details winching and felling one large ash and three small ash on the boundary of Swineridge field. The quote also advises that the surgeon will cut the heavy timber to approximately 3m length which will be left on site to establish wildlife habitats. The clerk asked if the PC would like her to submit a grant application to the ERYC tree planting community fund in respect of this. All agreed. Cllr Burley asked if the PC had the budget to carry out the work. The clerk confirmed that this work was considered when the precept amount was discussed, and it was subsequently raised to allow this work. ACTION: Clerk to seek advice from ERYC about the most suitable replacement trees for the area. ACTION: Clerk to apply for the grant. ACTION: Cllr Francis to instruct the tree surgeon to carry out the work.

**2137: Date of Next Meeting** – 7th July at 7pm via zoom.

**Meeting closed at 8.13 pm.**

Signed as a true and accurate record of the minutes.