**GREAT LUMLEY PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Extraordinary Council Meeting held remotely via the Zoom online platform

Monday 21st December 2020

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| 1 | Present | Cllr Richie Court (Chair)  Cllr Joan Robson  Cllr Phil Heaviside  Cllr Audrey Willis  Cllr Lian Court  Cllr Jeremy Whiting | Cllr Carole Watkiss  Cllr Ray Pirrie  Cllr Michael Adey  Ian Heaviside (Clerk)  1 Member of the Public |
| 2 | Declaration of Interests | There were no declarations of interest | |
| 3 | Community Centre License to Occupy | The Trustees of Great Lumley Community Venture have elected not to take on the licence to occupy the Community Centre at the current time and would not until the following criteria had been met:  Asset Transfer had been achieved  The Trustee Board had been filled to capacity  That they had opened a suitable bank account  That they carried the correct insurance  That they had suitable policies and procedures in place for the management of the building  That the PWLB loan had been approved by the Secretary of State  Cllr Heaviside questioned why none of these had been achieved since the charity had been set up in August 2020 and why the Parish Council were still paying the business rates of almost £800 per month. | |
| 4 | Play Area Repairs | Cllr Robson queried whether it was prudent to expend monies on repairing the existing play area when we now have funding for a potential new play area. The repairs will go ahead with a target completion of January 2021 | |
| 5 | Restrictive Covenants | When the freehold of the land comprising the car park, bowling green, Millennium Green and football fields were transferred into the ownership of the Parish Council there were a number of covenants placed on the land. It was resolved that the Council should take some legal advice on the implications of these covenants and report advice back to a future meeting | |
| 6 | Budget 2021/22 | An initial draft of the 21/22 budget was presented to the Council and opened for questions. Councillors were invited to request any additional items via e mail to the Clerk who would incorporate them ready for full discussion and approval out the January Meeting | |
| 7 | Community Centre Business Plan | Items to be discussed following the Exclusion of the Public and Press under The Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 Sec 1 (2)  The revised business plan which had been circulated to all members of the Council prior to the meeting was considered. It was noted that the plan now met the approval of Durham County Council following the incorporation of additional sections and information to satisfy their requirements and was the final major hurdle to achieve asset transfer of the community centre.  It was proposed by Cllr Joan Robson and seconded by Cllr Audrey Willis that this plan should be adopted as the starting point of the Councils working business plan for the Community Centre and would be further developed over time.  This proposal was unanimously accepted | |
| 15 | Next Meeting | 5th January 2021 | |

**Signed \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ R Court, Chairman Date 5th January 2020**