

MINUTES OF AN EGM OF LINGFIELD PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON FRIDAY 9th APRIL 2021 AT 7 PM VIA ZOOM

This meeting was held remotely, as permitted by emergency legislation introduced on 6^{th} April 2020 in response to the ban on public gatherings to reduce the transmission of the Corona Virus – Covid-19 – which was declared a global pandemic by WHO on 11^{th} March 2020

Participating:

Vivien Hepworth – in the chair Andrea Watson Liz Lockwood Graham Marks Camilla Downing Cath Hearnden

County Cllr Lesley Steeds District Cllr Mark Ridge 3 members of the public

Facilitating:

Fay Elwood, Clerk

1 PROCEDURAL MATTERS

- **1.1 Apologies for Absence** None.
- **1.2 Declarations of Interest** None.
- 1.3 Minutes of EGM held on 7th April 2021
 These were signed as a true and accurate record.

2 GUN POND REFURBISHMENT

Following the meeting held on 7th April, the project management team met with the appointed contractors to plan the remaining work required at Gun Pond, and particularly to discuss the concerns about using an 8 ton machine in the pond. It was decided to use a 1.5 ton machine to move the silt within the pond and to use the larger machine on the bank of the pond to load the silt onto trucks. Discussion took place about whether to use volunteers for some of the work to the island and the brick wall. Members are very keen to use volunteers where possible. However, after an explanation of the heavy work involved, it was agreed to complete the work using contractors. It would also take longer to do the work using volunteers and the feeling is that residents want the pond finished as soon as possible. It is hoped that the pond will be refilled by the first week in May. A local farmer has confirmed they will take the dry silt. This means the wetter material will have to be transported to a disposal site, the use of which will result in a slightly higher cost than was discussed on 7th April.

Resolution: Members approved a budget of £12,000 to complete the silt removal, extend and improve the island and carry out repairs to the brickwork. All of this work will be carried out by Jesmor. The transport and disposal of silt will be undertaken by Capehaul.

Resolution: Members approved a contingency fund of £3,000 to cover the cost of any unexpected work.

Resolution: The sub-group consisting of the Chairman, Clerk and Cllr Hearnden need to approve use of the contingency and any decision must be unanimous.

Action: The project management team will provide daily supervision of the work.

Action: One of the management team will record the expenditure to ensure we stay within the new budget.

Action: An informal project progress meeting may be needed on Tuesday night. The clerk will liaise with the project management team.

3 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held via Zoom on 27th April 2021

Meeting closed at 8.01pm