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**MISSON PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held at 7.00pm on Wednesday 4h January 2023 at Misson Community Centre.

Pre-meeting questions from the public: none

**Present:** Cllr Walker (chair), Cllr Smith, Cllr Morgan, Cllr Watkins, Cllr Sutherton, **Clerk:** B Lowndes

1. Apologies received from Cllr Woolliams and Cllr Watson, which were accepted.
2. Declarations of disclosable pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests: Cllr Walker - non-pecuniary interest as editor of parish newsletter and trustee of Village Park and Playground Project; Cllr Watkins - non-pecuniary interest as a member of the River Idle Management Partnership. Cllr Sutherton: non-pecuniary interest as a member of the River Idle Management Partnership; Cllr Morgan - non-pecuniary interest as member of St John's Parochial Church Council.
3. The Council approved the minutes of the previous meeting, which will now be posted on the MPC website.
4. Matters arising: regarding tidying up of the Pinfold - Clerk was requested to chase up invoices. Clerk will also write to thank the resident who helped arrange for site clearance.
5. D Cllr Watson sent a written report which was read into the minutes as follows:
  - COVID and FLU: the local hospitals are very busy with both infections at present. I don't have an updated post-Christmas figure for the number of inpatients, but there is a bed crisis, and A&E depts in both Doncaster and Bassetlaw are working at full stretch, so only attend if you absolutely have to.
  - Update on Community Infrastructure Levy funding: BDC has collected £4.7m of CIL money so far this year (Quarter 2 figures) from developers. £490k of this is to be passed to parish and town councils. (The rest goes to larger infrastructure projects). Parishes get 15% of CIL relating to developments in their area, and this rises to 25% if there is a neighbourhood plan in place. As there has been no recent new house building in Misson, there is no CIL money to be paid this year.
  - I have seen this years' update of the Heritage at Risk register. The only item for Misson is the barn on Station Road, as before.
  - At full Council before Christmas several environmental motions were passed. I proposed a motion (along with a Labour councillor) to ban fracking on any land owned or controlled by BDC: it received unanimous cross-party support. Another motion related to provision of electric vehicle charging points for properties with no off-street parking (a joint initiative with NCC). I proposed that one of the 10 properties to be included in this pilot project in Bassetlaw should be in a rural village location.
  - BDC has been awarded £3.4million for the UK Shared Prosperity Fund. This is the new fund that replaces what used to be EU regional development funds. The money will be divided between Community and Voluntary projects, local business investment, Community infrastructure projects to improve town centres, green spaces and reduce crime.
  - With regard to Tunnel Tech, December was a quiet month. A single resident submitted complaints of odour at their property on Bawtry Road, and on agricultural land behind it, on 21/22nd. I had not noticed odour when walking in fields between TTN and the

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village on either of these days. James Whalley visited, and the only odour he found was a bit of biofilter smell at Hagg Lane junction, nothing offensive and nothing in the village. We have had to find another source for wind data as the Met station at the airport is no longer operational, but the prevailing wind direction on both of those days was SE so it is unlikely that TTN was the problem. This was fed back to the resident. We did not manage to meet with Simon Middlebrook in the run up to Christmas as we couldn't find a date when we were all available, but hopefully will set something up for this month.

- Clayworth Parish Council has collapsed. All of the remaining Councillors, and the Clerk, have resigned. They quote behaviour of residents as the major issue. BDC therefore has to take over direct administration. I have been asked, along with 2 other District Councillors and the County Councillor, to sit on behalf of the PC to set a precept and budget for next year, ahead of the local council elections in May, when hopefully a new council will be appointed.

C Cllr Taylor reported as follows:

- Devolution and budget consultations had now ended.
- MCC Planning were still in dialogue with IGas in respect of restoration of the site at Misson Springs. The contact point is Tim Turner at NCC.
- It might be possible to make a donation from the Councillor's Grant towards the Misson Community newsletter. This would be explored.

6. Tunnel Tech update - covered in D Cllr report above.

7. Fracking update - covered in C Cllr report above.

8. Policing report for December would be placed on MPC website when received.

9. The Council approved the following payments; Misson Community Association £20 (hall charge for NP steering group meeting); Open Plan £4455 (Neighbourhood Plan consultancy fee); M Guest £60 (lengthsman duties); CPRE subscription £36; Information Commissioners' Office fee £35; Staffing - S Scott £125, B Lowndes £416, HMRC PAYE £96.40;

Receipts as follows: Bank interest £6.96; Neighbourhood Planning grant £7953; Misson Community Association £5 (annual rent for Community Centre).

Bank Account balances - as at 31 December, Current a/c £17,186.76. Business Reserve £10,588.14.

Bank reconciliation: accepted. Total funds across all accounts is £27,774.90.

The Council approved the revised budget which set out costs totalling £19160 for next FY and would thus limit the precept increase to under 6%. The impact on a Band D Council Tax payer would be £57.32, an increase for the year of £3.27.

Planning: To note planning decisions: 22/01211/FUL Norwich Hill Farm Newington - withdrawn.

Planning applications to consider: none.

8. Neighbourhood Plan: The NP Update Steering Group reported as follows: **Terms of Reference:** The Terms of Reference proposed by Misson Parish Council has been agreed by the Steering Group. Formal agreement from MPC to be confirmed

**Application for Funding;** an application for funding on behalf of the Parish Council has been approved in the total sum of £7425 primarily for the appointment of a planning

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consultant to undertake the technical update of the existing Plan. All expenditure needs to be spent by the end of March 2023

**Consultants;** Following approval of the funding application, OpenPlan has been appointed to support the Steering Group and undertake the technical update of the plan. The Service Agreement has been signed and issued on 21 December 2022 by the Clerk to the MPC and a representative of OpenPlan has been invited to the next Steering Group's meeting

**Expenditure in the period;** The following expenditure has been incurred and invoices forwarded to the MPC Clerk

- Misson Community Association – hire of Community Centre; £20
- OpenPlan – 50% of fee proposal (remainder due upon completion of the commission); £4455.00

Each cost was included in the approved funding application

**Progress;** The Steering Group has reviewed the vision statement, community objectives (taking into account the feedback from the consultation in July 2022) and SWOT analysis contained in the original plan and proposed some minor updates. The policies noted below that require an update have been distributed around the group for consideration feedback and presentation to the next meeting planned for Monday 9 January 2023 in order to provide a brief for the planning consultants update of the Plan.

The Parish Council thanked the NP Steering Group for their work and the report, a full copy of which will be placed on noticeboard and the Parish Council website.

### 12. Neighbourhood improvement:

- The Pinfold interpretation panel was still under consideration and would be reviewed in February. The Parish Council noted a price increase from the previous quote and confirmed the order.
- The Lengthsman report and request for payment falls due in January - Clerk to pursue.
- The river bank at River Lane continued to be maintained by MPC.

### 13. Various groups -

- The Village Park and Playground Project requested a discussion be tabled with the Parish Council regarding potential future ownership and insurance of the Misson School playing field following a question to Trustees made by a member of the public. Trustees will prepare a paper ahead of the requested discussion. It was resolved that this item be on next month's Parish Council meeting agenda.
- The Parish Council, Misson Community Association and St John's Church Parochial Council supported a tree lighting ceremony, which was well attended.

14. Newsletter - The Council agreed to fund two pages of Parish Council matters and a further one to report updates from District Councillor regarding Tunnel Tech, plus a further quarter page for the Education Appeals Panel advertisement.

15. Resilience planning: ongoing. Clerk to pursue whether materials have been purchased as agreed last month.

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### 16. Highways and paths:

- A request has been made to Notts CC for additional street lighting in Gibdyke following requests by residents.
- The recently replaced sign on Back Lane had been damaged by a vehicle. Bassetlaw DC had repaired this quickly.
- Cannabis plants had been dumped on a track near Station Road/Springs Road and at least one residents dog had become seriously ill from sniffing it. Clerk to check plants had now gone.
- There has been a considerable amount of rubbish dumped on Slaynes/Hagg Lane - cans, food wrappings, small snap plastic bags etc. This had been cleared by residents but Clerk will contact PCSO as it is suspected that the area is being used for illicit activities.
- Regarding a complaint that had been received from residents about lorries being unable to find Misson Mill and performing turns in Bawtry Road, leading to unwelcome noise and damage to a garden wall: the Clerk had written to the site owners, who declined to take action. District and County Councillors offered to continue to liaise in order to resolve the concern of residents. The Parish Council resolved to escalate this matter to the District Councillor in the first place.

### 17. No reports of meetings attended.

18. Correspondence: An FOIA request had been received and had now been actioned.

### 21. Date of next meeting: 1 February 2023.

The meeting closed at 9.00 pm.

B Lowndes

Clerk to Misson Parish Council