

## **Leavening Parish Council Minutes of ordinary Meeting held via Zoom, Leavening on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2020 at 7.30pm**

Press and public were not invited to attend the meeting as due to Covid-19 social distancing rules, the meeting was held via zoom

1) Present: Cllrs, S McDermott (chair), S Langton, P Schofield, R Ashworth, N Audsley, L Hampson, S Schofield, & Clerk: K Willink.

Apologies for absence: A Hudson-walker

2) Declarations of Interest – SL declared an interest relating to the untaxed vehicles parked in the village at item 7

3) Public session - N/A - No members of the public were present.

4) The minutes of the meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> August were confirmed as a true and accurate record and agreed. Due to social distancing/zoom meeting minutes were not signed at this time.

- A letter is to be sent to Councilor Duncan to state additional information required as to how a Super Council would operate and impact the Parish Council. Until that information is available Leavening Parish Council neither supports or other rejects the idea of a Super Council

Actions outstanding from the last meeting:

- To obtain a reply from RDC over the removal of the hedge at Busk Hill. RDC have responded detailing that the previous owner had removed the hedge and the current owner has planted a new hedge. As said hedge has been replaced but will take time to replenish. Matter Closed
- To discuss with Ryedale DC or NYCC the issue of poor public transport in the village. Buses are currently under
- Super Council: A letter to Councilor Duncan to be issued from LPC Chairman stating that more information is required for an informed decision to be taken.
- It was agreed that a document relating to outstanding items should be maintained

### **Consultations**

5) No consultations have been received by the council during this period.

### **Finance & Business**

6) To consider financial matters.

- Due to Covid-19 Financial matters were not discussed in detail. Payments when required are being made via cheque.
- Updated financial schedule to be shared with Councilors following meeting
- The accounts for 2019/2020 were fully agreed and accepted and that the exemption certificate was appropriate to LPC and would be registered appropriately.

### **Committees and village matters**

7) The following matters were discussed:

- Becksides: Blue Building on Dam Lane. RDC to be contacted regarding whether there has been a breach of planning regulations. Double gate access has been erected

which would require planning consent. An enquiry to RDC to be made to RDC to confirm planning permission has been obtained.

- Speeding in the village – The clerk advised that she has spoken with Cllr Keane Duncan concerning the funding of the Speed sign and bases. RDC will purchase a speed sign to be used amongst a number of parishes in the Derwent Ward. £600 grant has been received to fund the post.

Single sign to be requested as grant totals £4,200. Costs of posts and fitting to be clarified. Both mains power and solar power was discussed but it was decided that due to the location and the usage, battery power was the best alternative. The sign is to be ordered with the best option for power pack.

Once the sale of 9 houses from the new development have been made, further monies can be bit for to enhance the local community. It was suggested a bid be made to purchase a second sign which would belong to LPC

- The issue of untaxed vehicles being parked on Whin Hill and Malton road was raised by a Parishioner. It was agreed in the first instance, a letter from LPC Clerk requesting the vehicles are either taxed or removed, is issued. If this course of action does not work, then the vehicles will be reported for further action to take place.

- 8) One vacancies on the Parish Council following the election of Ami Hudson Walker. A second vacancy to be filled. It was agreed that notice would be put out on the Locals of Leavening Facebook site, LPC website

Due to Covid-19, Cllr S Medgley departing from the Parish Council after many years of service has yet to be acknowledged. It was agreed that LPC Chairman would write a letter of thanks to Mr Midgley

- 9) Parish Council Clerk. The Parish Council were informed that due to personal reasons the current clerk will no longer be able to support the role, but will continue until the end of December. It was agreed that notice would be put out on Facebook

Date of Future meetings.

- Monday 18<sup>th</sup> January at 7.30pm via Zoom

The Meeting closed at 20:45hrs