MINUTES OF GISBURN PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 18 OCTOBER 2018 AT 7.30 PM

Present: John Falshaw (Chair), Colin Corlett, Darren Jackson, Mel Riding, Dave Waters

Clerk, Borough Cllr Richard Sherras

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None

MINUTES OF MEETING OF 20 SEPTEMBER 2018

The Minutes of the meeting of 20 September 2018 were accepted as a true record of proceedings, subject to a technical correction, and duly signed.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Current Account £3,942 Deposit Account £1,210

The Clerk confirmed that the VAT reclaim monies of £869 had been received at the end of September 2018.

The Clerk distributed a sheet showing the Council's financial situation as at the half year end of 30 September 2018 and advised of income and expenditure incurred to date as well as projected income and expenditure to 31 March 2019.

ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL

Gisburn Festival Hall Room Hire 2018/19 £100.00

PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND MATTERS

None

HIGHWAYS AND ROAD SAFETY

It was noted that Dave Waters and Richard Sherras had attended a meeting at County Hall in late July with County Cllr Keith Iddon and a report on that meeting had subsequently been circulated by Dave Waters. Highway re-surfacing work had been undertaken in the village in late July and the construction of a traffic island, originally planned as part of the work, had not ultimately been included. It was suggested that the most effective way of combatting speeding in the village would

be speed cameras at either end of the village but previous requests to Lancs Highways for cameras had not been successful.

PARISH LENGTHSMAN

The Clerk advised the lengthsman had not submitted an invoice for the October meeting but had obviously undertaken work in September/October 2018 and would be working around the Cenotaph in anticipation of Remembrance Sunday. Darren Jackson contacted the lengthsman by mobile phone reminding him to submit his most recent invoice for payment.

BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Cllr Sherras advised of the difficulties of providing health cover in rural areas, as raised by the Rural Services Network and of the release of a new NAPF. The attendance of County Cllr Keith Iddon and Mr Phil Durnell of Lancs Highways at a recent RVBC PCLC was also discussed. CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk advised that the concurrent functions grant application form had been received from RVBC and that the lengthsman's grant would be preserved at 100% of its former value for this year's applications but would reduce to 75% with effect from the next financial year. The Clerk confirmed that the costs of grass cutting for the Recreation Ground would be included within the application. The Clerk further advised she would bring the completed form to the next meeting for approval and signature.

The Clerk also advised that she had received an account information update form from Santander which would require signature by John Falshaw and Colin Corlett as account signatories as well as proof of their respective identities.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Dave Waters advised that the defibrillators required new batteries which could be purchased from monies remaining in the fund established to buy the defibrillators which was held by the Festival Hall Committee.

It was suggested that enquiries be made regarding the condition of the Christmas tree lights in case any remedial work or replacement was necessary prior to their use this Christmas.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday 29 November 2018 at 7.30 pm

EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

Resolved: That by virtue of s 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 the press and public be now excluded from the meeting.

RECREATION GROUND LEASES

John Falshaw advised that he had still not heard anything from the landlord regarding the leases so the matter had not progressed.