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|  | **Minutes of the Sproughton Parish Council Meeting held in the Barley Room, Tithe Barn, Lower Street, Wednesday 12th July 2023 at 7:30pm**  **ATTENDEES:** Cllr King, Davies, Curl, Maxwell and Powell. Kirsty Webber (Clerk)  **AGENDA:**   1. **APOLOGIES AND TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ABSCENCES**    1. Cllr Jermyn, Booth and Barber. 2. **COUNCILLORS DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST RELEVANT TO ANY ITEM ON THE AGENDA**    1. All councillors declared an interest in the following planning developments: - Chantry Vale, Pigeon, Hopkins Homes & Sproughton Enterprise Park 3. **TO CONSIDER APPLICATIONS FOR DISPENSATIONS OF INTEREST**    1. None Received. 4. **MINUTES**    1. Councillors to consider and approve the minutes of the Annual Parish Council meetings held on 14th June 2023.   4.1.1 These are believed to be factually correct. Cllr Curl proposed, Cllr Davies seconded all Cllrs agreed to the Parish Council minutes of the 14th of June 2023.   * 1. Review of actions from previous minutes   4.2.1 All actions complete.   1. **OPENING INCLUDING PUBLIC FORUM**    1. District Cllr Davies updated Cllrs, on housing issues, Sproughton Nature reserve. No updates on planning. Parking and noise issues. NP referendum would also need voter id. Please can invites be sent to county Cllr Christopher Hudson and District Cllr Brian Ridley to join future meetings. 2. **ACTIONS & PROJECTS**    1. Village Gateways- To progress   6.1.1 Cllrs discussed how to progress with the village signs, a response to meet with Bramford PC was never received to discuss the site of their gateways being within our boundary. Cllrs agreed that contact should be made with the County and District Cllr, regarding the incorrect positioning of the gateways.   * 1. Wi-Fi- To consider and investigate Wi-Fi in the Tithe Barn   6.2.1 Cllr Barber has investigated getting wi-fi for the barn. It was previously discussed coming of the shop wi-fi and contributing or taking over the payment of this. The equipment needed Wireless router at £35.99 and ethernet cable £34.86. All Cllrs agreed to progress this and to discuss with the shop about joining their Wi-Fi. KW to discuss with shop.   * 1. District Councillor Surgeries   6.3.1 District Cllr Davies has suggested running surgeries for the community to share any concerns they have, before the monthly meeting from 5:30-6:30pm. All Cllrs agreed.   1. **FINANCE**    1. Monthly Payments – Councillors to consider approval of monthly payments.   7.1.1 Cllr Davies proposed to approve the monthly payments, Cllr Curl seconded, all Cllrs agreed.   * 1. Bank Reconciliation - Councillors to consider approval of monthly bank reconciliation.      1. Cllr Davies proposed to approve the Bank Reconciliations, Cllr Curl seconded all Cllrs agreed.   2. To agree insurance provider for the Tithe Barn.   7.3.1 The insurance for the Tithe Barn 23/24 has proved difficult to source with only one provider willing to quote. Ergo UK have quoted £22,178.96 with the additional broker fee and loss of rent income totalling £1550.00. Insurance for 23/24 = £23,728.96.  An email had been previously circulated to agree the insurance which Cllrs had agreed. This is ratification, all Cllrs agreed to the insurance provider. Kirsty still to investigate insurers.   * 1. To consider and agree purchase of barn paint.   7.4.1 Cllr Barber mentioned at the last meeting about repainting the barn as it was starting to look tatty. A quote has been received of £5,040.00. Cllr Davies proposed, Cllr Powell seconded All Cllrs agreed to the purchase of the pain.   1. **REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND RELEVANT GROUPS** 2. **TO AGREE TIME, DATE AND PLACE OF NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**    1. Wednesday 9th Aug 2023 in the Barley room at 7:30pm. Cllr Maxwell sent her apologies. 3. **ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING**    1. Any items to be sent to clerk. 4. **AOB**    1. Cllrs discussed the play area, and how to progress, discussions are still being held with the PFMC to work towards the reopening of the play area.    2. Cllr Maxwell suggested purchasing 30mph stickers for the wheelie bins on the High Street. Kirsty to investigate cost.    3. Cllrs declared that they had each received a bottle of wine from a member of the public. Kirsty to contact monitoring officer. 5. **CLOSE OF MEETING**    1. Meeting closed at 20:15pm     Jenni King  Jenni King, Chairman, Sproughton Parish Council |  |