Draft minutes of Lyminge Parish Council Extraordinary General Meeting. Held on Monday 25th March 2024 in Lyminge Methodist Church.

03.01 Present: Cllrs Arnold, Joyce, Trayner, Heywood, Huntley, Sage, Rising and McWhinnie (please note that Cllrs Rising and McWhinnie joined as councillors following their co-option at item 4).

In attendance: Chani Sanger (Clerk) and five members of the public.

Welcome: Chair welcomed councillors and members of the public.

Apologies: Cllrs Fuller and King.

Declarations of interest: Cllr Arnold (DPI - Item 5)

03.02 Minutes:

Motion - To allow Cllr Frank Hobbs (KALC Area Committee Chair and Chair of Postling Parish Council) to assist the council in their discussion regarding minutes.

Proposed: Cllr Arnold | Seconded: Cllr Sage | Motion passed

Motion - To take the minutes of the Full Council meeting on Monday 12th February as accurate.

Proposed: Cllr Arnold | Seconded: Cllr Sage | Motion did not pass.

Motion - To rework the minutes of the Full Council meeting on Monday 12th February to remove extra words and to bring to the next Full Council for approval.

Proposed: Cllr Heywood | Seconded: Cllr Trayner | Motion passed.

Motion - To take the minutes of the Extraordinary General meeting on Thursday 22nd February as accurate.

Proposed: Cllr Arnold | Seconded: Cllr Heywood | Motion passed

03.03 Public open session: None

03.04 Co-Option:

Motion - To approve the co-option of the two candidates.

Proposed: Cllr Arnold | Seconded: Cllr Joyce | Motion passed

03.05 Employment:

Motion - To exclude the press and public due to the confidential nature of the item.

Proposed: Cllr Rising | Seconded: Cllr Huntley | Motion passed

Please note that Cllr Arnold read the following aloud and then vacated the room due to a DPI. Cllr Joyce acted as Chair for item 5.

It was resolved to exclude the press and public from the meeting pursuant to Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, as applied by Section 100 of the Local Government Act 1972, as matters under discussion were confidential and related to employees of the Council.

03.06 Internal Audit:

Please note that Cllr Arnold and the members of the press and public were invited back into the meeting and Cllr Arnold resumed as Chair.

Motion - To approve Lionel Robbins as Internal Auditor.

Proposed: Cllr Joyce | Seconded: Cllr Trayner | Motion passed

03.07 Budget:

Motion - To ask the RFO for figures in relation to cost per band D property.

Proposed: Cllr Heywood | Seconded: Cllr Trayner | Motion passed

03.08 Grounds Maintenance Schedule:

Motion - To defer to the 8th April Full Council.

Proposed: Cllr Arnold | Seconded: Cllr Joyce | Motion passed

03.09 Chalk Stream:

03.09.1:

Motion - To approve Saturday 11th May 2024 for the Chalk stream monitoring and awareness session.

Proposed: Cllr Joyce | Seconded: Cllr Huntley | Motion passed

03.09.2:

Motion - To approve LPC being the principal partner for the organisation of the Chalk stream monitoring and awareness session.

Proposed: Cllr Joyce | Seconded: Cllr Huntley | Motion passed

03.09.3:

Motion - To approve Councillor King acting as the lead on the Chalk stream session(s) with support from the Finance and Administration Committee, allowing delegated powers for the committee to create a working group if necessary.

Proposed: Cllr Joyce | Seconded: Cllr Huntley | Motion passed

03.10 Committees:

It was noted that membership to committees needed updating to reflect the councillors that had resigned and the councillors that had been co-opted. The membership document was updated with the changes agreed.

03.11 Mediation and mentoring:

Motion - To implement mediation and mentoring in the following ways:

- 1. To set up a face to face training session via KALC around May/June.
- 2. Clerk and Chair to liaise with Frank Hobbs regarding help and advice for the parish council.
- 3. To revisit the subject of mediation and mentoring following the training session in May/June.

Proposed: Cllr Arnold | Seconded: Cllr Rising | Motion passed

03.12 Planning Applications:

24/0208/FH - Little Hemsted, Retrospective application for the siting and change of use of a Shepherd's Hut to be used as an AirBnB.

Motion - No objection

Proposed: Cllr Joyce | Seconded: Cllr Heywood | Motion passed

03.13 Use of Tayne Field:

Motion - To approve the following dates of use of Tayne Field in 2024: Thoughtful Food - 11th May, 6th July, 3rd August, 7th September and Lyminge Primary School - 6th July

Proposed: Cllr Huntley | Seconded: Cllr Joyce | Motion passed

03.14 Date of next meeting: 8th April 2024

Meeting closed at 20:42

Signed:
_____ Chair (Date __/__/24)