Present: Cllrs: McGill (in the chair), O'Keeffe, Hawkins, Rathbone and White

In Attendance: V Swift (Clerk and RFO), 2 Members of the Public

2184: Apologies for Absence

An apology for absence was received from Cllr Pennington.

- 2185: Members Declaration of Interest There were no declarations of interest.
- 2186: Minutes of the Previous Meeting

RESOLVED: That the minutes of an ordinary meeting held on Wednesday, 7 December 2022 be approved and signed by the Chairman.

2187: Matters Arising from Previous Minutes There were no matters arising.

2188: Public Comments

The meeting was adjourned at 19:05 for this item

A resident of Southport Road reported on the annual return of flood water to the rear of his back garden; commenting that once again he needs wellington boots to access his back garden.

The meeting was reconvened at 19:16.

RESOLVED: That Cllr McGill to update Cllr Pennington on Southport Road rear garden flooding.

2189: Cornerstone proposal to re-site existing electronic communications base station

RESOLVED: Members noted that Cllr O'Keeffe's letter of response has been acknowledged by Galliford Try and passed on to their clients for information/comment.

2190: Casual Vacancy

RESOLVED:

- **2190.1** Members noted the formal resignation of Cllr O'Donegan.
- **2190.2** That Cllr McGill to write to Cllr O'Donegan to thank him for the hard work and dedication he showed and applied during his time on the parish council.
- **2190.3** That the clerk to draft a 'Notice of Vacancy'.

2191: Defibrillator Kiosk

RESOLVED: That an update by Cllr McGill on the registration of the defibrillator on to the National Defibrillator Network database be noted.

2192: Keeping Thornton Tidy

RESOLVED:

- **2192.1** Members noted litter pick reports by Cllrs McGill and Rathbone.
- **2192.2** Members noted the next litter picking event will take place on Saturday, 7 January 2023, meeting at the Crescent at 9:00am.
- **2192.3** That Cllr O'Keeffe to file a litter pick risk assessment for February with Sefton.

2193: Thornton Community Group

RESOLVED:

- **2193.1** That an update by Cllr Rathbone on the community cupboard be noted.
- **2193.2** Members noted the registration of the community cupboard with Sefton MBC.
- **2193.3** A motion was tabled: To opening a Spacehive crowd funding for Sefton Crowd specifically for planters and 'In Bloom' 2023, pitch date 29 March 2023. Proposed: Cllr O'Keeffe. Seconded: Cllr McGill. Agreed: Unanimously.

2194: Covid Commemorative Plaque/WW1 and WW2 War Memorial

RESOLVED: That updates by Cllrs Hawkins and O'Keeffe be noted.

2195: The Queen's Green Canopy

RESOLVED: That an update by Cllr O'Keeffe be noted.

2196: Planning Applications

RESOLVED: Members considered the planning applications set out in the schedule circulated and also available on Sefton MBC website.

2197: Crime Alerts

RESOLVED: Members noted a report by Cllr Pennington on car thefts, hanging baskets and other garden decorations over the Christmas period.

2198: Accounts Paid and For Payment

RESOLVED: That the payments set out in the schedule of payments circulated be agreed.

2199: Correspondence

- **2199.1** Shy Lowen Horse and Pony Sanctuary, thank you for the donation.
- **2199.2** Quay Notes Ukuleles, thank you for the donation.
- **2199.3** Parish UK Network, invitation to register with a one-stop information database.

2200: Date and Time of Next Meeting

RESOLVED: Wednesday, 1 February 2023 at 7:00PM.

2201: Deadline for Agenda Items

RESOLVED: Tuesday, 23 January 2023.

James Okeethe.

Signed