

MINUTES OF AN **ORDINARY MEETING** HELD ON **WEDNESDAY 5 JULY 2023** AT **ST WILLIAM OF YORK PARISH CENTRE** COMMENCING AT **19:00PM**.

Present: Cllrs: McGill (in the Chair), Francis, Hawkins, O'Keeffe and Rathbone

In Attendance: V Swift (Clerk & RFO), 1 Member of the Public

2300: Apologies for absence

There were no apologies for absence.

2301: Members declaration of interest

There were no declarations of interest.

2302: Minutes of the previous meeting

RESOLVED: That the minutes of an ordinary meeting held on Wednesday, 14 June 2023 be approved and signed by the Chairman.

2303: Matters arising from previous minutes

There were no matters arising.

At 19:15 Cllr O'Keeffe left the meeting room.

2304: Public comments

The meeting was adjourned at 19:04 for this item.

Resident, Irene White, reported that after a busy time purchasing plants locally and further afield, planting, weeding, feeding and watering, The Crescent planters are ready to welcome the arrival of the North West in Bloom judges, 13 July 2023. Members thanked Irene for all her hard work.

The meeting was reconvened at 19:19.

RESOLVED:

- **2304:1** That Irene White to pass her receipts to the Clerk for reimbursement.
- **2304.2** That the Clerk to write a thank you note to Happy Plants for their kind donation.
- **2304.3** That Cllr O'Keeffe to upload photographs of The Crescent planters on TPC Facebook.

At 19:20 Cllr O'Keeffe returned to the meeting room.

2305 Honorary Freedom of the Parish

RESOLVED: That an update by Cllr O'Keeffe on bestowing the 'Honorary Freedom of the Parish' be noted.

2306: Keeping Thornton tidy

RESOLVED:

- **2306.1** That an update by Cllr McGill on litter picking be noted.
- 2306.2 That an update by Cllr O'Keeffe on dog fouling actions be noted.
- 2306.3 Members noted that the next Parish Council litter pick date is Saturday, 2 September 2023, meeting at the Crescent at 9:00am.

2307: Thornton community group

RESOLVED:

- **2307.1** That an update by Cllr Rathbone on the community cupboard be noted.
- **2307.2** Members thanked resident, Irene White, for a full report on The Crescent planters.
- **2307.3** That an update by Cllr O'Keeffe on the build quality of 5 x new planters purchased from Bootle Tool Shed be noted.
- 2307.4 Members were reassured by Bootle Tool Shed's guarantee to fix any and all natural defects for the life of the planters, if it is down to build quality.
- 2307.5 That an update by Cllr O'Keeffe on the North West in Bloom competition, the judges route and the visit date, Thursday 13 July 2023, be noted.
- **2307.6** Members noted the Spacehive fundraising campaign end date to be extended.
- 2307.7 Members noted tree planting funding to be considered in the 2024-25 annual budget.

2308: War memorial and COVID memorial

RESOLVED: That Cllr O'Keeffe to forward the completed planning applications to the Clerk for online submission and payment.

2309: New notice board at Green Lane

RESOLVED: That Cllr O'Keeffe to forward the completed licence application to the Clerk for online submission and payment.

2310: Storage of Parish Council Records

RESOLVED:

- **2310.1** That an update by Cllr Rathbone on the return of historic records be noted.
- **2310.2** Members noted that historic records are stored at Cllr McGill's home.

2311: Register of Interests Form

RESOLVED: Members were reminded to update and return their Register of Interests forms to the Clerk.

2312: Planning Applications

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

2313: Crime alerts

RESOLVED: Members noted no crime alerts had been received.

2314: Account paid and for payment

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

2315: Correspondence

- 2315.1 Trees Sefton, in response to resident complaint about cutting down the last tree on Moor Lane, the tree in question is a health and safety risk. A survey of trees on Moor Lane is to be conducted and at the same time Sefton will be plotting possible new tree locations.
- **2315.2** Sefton Council, in response to flooding issues on Hartdale Road, have agreed to visit 13 and 19 Hartdale Road.
- **2315.3** Sefton Clerks, an invitation to training on Wednesday, 5 July 2023.
- **2315.4** Shy Lowen Horse & Pony Sanctuary, thank you note for the £50 donation.
- 2315.5 Quay Notes Ukulele Bank, thank you note for the £50 donation.

2316: Date of next meeting

RESOLVED: Wednesday, 6 September 2023 at 7:00PM.

2317: Deadline for agenda Items

RAMYS.

RESOLVED: Monday, 28 August 2023.

Signed	 (Chairman)	Date	6 September 2023