Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on Monday, 12th November 2018

at 7.00 p.m. in the Trinity Methodist Church

**Present:** Cllr. Miss M. Galloway (Chairman)

 Cllrs. M. Cherrett, N. R. Hill, Miss J. H. Robinson and D. Thompson.

 There was one member of the public present throughout the meeting.

**289 Interests**

 There were no declared interests.

**290 Minutes of the last Meeting**

 The Minutes of the last regular Meeting held on Monday, 8th October 2018, copies of which had been circulated, were taken as read, confirmed and signed as a true record with minor amendment.

**291 Matters Arising**

a. Bus Shelters

 The Clerk reported on the receipt of an e-mail from Stockton BC promising that the flooding at the bus stop would be included on the next year’s LTP programme.

 b. Speeding on Yarm Road

 The Clerk reported that Stockton BC were only concerned with accidents caused by speeding.

 c. Yellow lines at Lime and Sycamore Roadside

 The Clerk reported that he had received a message confirming a willingness to meet and would arrange one such as soon as possible.

 d. Parked Lorry

 The Chairman reported that the lorry continues to be parked badly, blocking the paths.

 e. Preston Park picnic area

 The Clerk reported that he had received no response from Stockton BC and agreed to pursue the matter further.

 **f**. Remembrance Sunday

 The Chairman confirmed that the service had been attended by herself, Cllr. Cherrett, who laid the wreath on behalf of the Council, and Cllr. Miss Robinson.

 It was agreed that a donation of £100.00 should be made to The Royal British Legion.

**292 Accounts**

 a. The following accounts were approved and payment authorised:-

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| d/d | P. R. Joiner | Clerk’s salary & expenses (Oct) | £ 289.04 |
| 39 | M. Cherrett | Newsletter printing | £ 30.00 |
| 40 | Harding Gardening | Cemetery maintenance | £ 1265.00 |
| 41 | Royal British Legion | Poppy Day donation | £ 100.00 |

 b. Precept for 2019/20

 The Clerk agreed to present a draft budget at the next meeting.

**293 Executive Decisions**

 a. The Clerk reported that he had granted one permission to inter cremated remains in a previously reserved plot.

**294 Correspondence**

 a. Correspondence received was noted as listed.

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 b. Mr. S. Baksh

 Members agreed that the Council was unable to take any action regarding the parked car about which Mr. Baksh complained as it they had no powers to determine the ownership of an unknown vehicle. They thought it best if Mr. Baksh reported the matter direct to Stockton BC.

 c. Mayor’s Carol Service

 Members noted the details of the services and Cllr. Miss J. Robinson stated her willingness to attend the second of the two.

 d. Rubbish in the streets

 Members noted the correspondence from Stockton BC relating to the Council’s complaints about failures in the collection and reporting system. They agreed that the Clerk should direct Stockton BC to the Chairman in the event of future problems so that she could provide a direct input.

**295 Any Other Business**

 a. Newsletter

 Cllr. Cherrett asked Members for their information regarding any properties which had been missed during the delivery of the recent Newsletter.

 b. Co-opted Member

 A local resident, Yvonne SYMES, having been present throughout the meeting expressed her wish to be considered as a co-opted Member of the Council. The Members present were pleased to confirm their agreement to the kind offer.

Dated this 10th Day of December 2018

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Chairman

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