Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on Monday, 14th October 2019

at 7.00 p.m. in the Trinity Methodist Church

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

 Cllrs. M. Cherrett, N. R. Hill, Mrs. Y. Symes and D. Thompson.

**363 Interests**

 a. There were no declared interests.

 b. The Clerk reminded Members that any changes to their interests should be declared. All maintained that their declarations after the May election remained correct.

**364 Minutes of the last Meeting**

 The Minutes of the last regular Meeting held on Monday, 9th September 2019, copies of which had been circulated, were taken as read, confirmed and signed as a true record.

**365 Matters Arising**

 a. Grass Cutting

 The Clerk was asked to repeat the queries about the grass cutting and weed killing in the light of the recent episode where both took place in pouring rain.

 b. Shop litter bins

 The Clerk reported that Stockton BC did intend to replace the damaged bin at the front of the shop but were having to wait for authorisation.

 c. Eaglescliffe sign

 The Chairman reported that she thought the sign might have been removed. The Clerk was asked to check and either thank or query Stockton BC about the outcome.

 d. Grassed Grave

 The Clerk reported that the grass cutter had agreed to scatter some seed on the bare area.

 e. *Nextdoor Preston-on-Tees*

 Cllr. Mrs. Symes said that the site looked like a useful media tool although it did not cover just the parish.

 f. Newsletter

 Cllrs. Cherrett and Mrs. Symes presented a draft Newsletter which Members approved after slight amendment. Cllr. Cherrett agreed to check on the price of colour additions to aid the presentation.

**366 Accounts**

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

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| bacs | P. R. Joiner | Clerk’s salary & expenses (Sep) | £ 145.39 |
| bacs | HM Revenue & Customs | Clerk’s PAYE | £ 100.20 |
| d/d | WAVE | Cemetery metered water | £ 44.98 |

**367 Executive Decisions**

The Clerk reported that he had made no decisions in the preceding month.

**368 Planning**

Members agreed that the matter regarding the Oakwood Centre did not lie within the parish.

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**369 Correspondence**

 a. Correspondence received was noted as listed.

 b. Parish Walks

 The Clerk was asked to approach Thirteen regarding the apparent absence of the parish from their programme.

 c. Vermin

 The Clerk reported that Stockton BC had been unable to gain access to the premises as requested by the Council.

 d. Mayor’s Charity Ball

 Members did not feel able to offer to attend.

 e. Remembrance Sunday

 Members noted the communication from Stockton BC. It was agreed that Cllr, Cherrett would lay the wreath for this Council at the usual ceremony.

 f. Riding of Yarm Fair

 Given the revised (later) timings the Chairman did not feel able to attend and no other Member wished to go in her stead.

**370 Any Other Business**

 a. Stockton BC Transport Meeting

 The Chairman reported that she had not gone to the most recent meeting as the lack of attention given to the matter she has raised over four years did not justify the efforts required to get to the meeting.

Dated this 11th Day of November 2019

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Chairman

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