**Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday, 11th February 2022**

**at 7.00 p.m. in the Trinity Methodist Church**

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

 Cllrs. M. F. Cherrett, N. R. Hill and D. Thompson.

 Apologies were received from Cllr. Mrs. Y. Symes.

**457 Interests**

 There were no declared interests.

**458 Minutes**

The Minutes of the last regular Meeting held on Monday, 11th December 2021, copies of which had been circulated, were taken as read, confirmed and signed as a true record.

**459 Matters Arising**

1. Standing water

Members noted that heavy rainfall continues to cause standing water problems in the usual places on Yarm Road but doubted that any action would be forthcoming.

1. Recycling collections

The Chairman reported on the recent application by Stockton BC of new rules regarding the segregation and collection of recycling waste and the loss of the blue bags for paper.

1. Police attendance at meetings

The Clerk reported that a PCSO was willing to attend an occasional meeting when it fitted into the shift patterns. The PCSO had agreed to provide a regular report for future meetings.

1. Litter picking

Cllr. Thompson suggested that he make further contact with the management at Preston Park to determine the methodology of the litter picking operations.

1. Resident’s 100th birthday

The Chairman reported that she had sent a card from the Council to mark the recent 100th birthday of a resident. She further reported that the celebrant had been delighted to have received such an acknowledgment.

**460 Accounts**

1. The following accounts were approved, and payment authorised: -

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| BACS | P. R. Joiner | Clerk’s salary & expenses (Dec/Jan) | £ 286.46 |
| d/d | Stockton Borough Council | Cemetery waste bin (1 Jan & 1 Feb) | £ 40.14 |
| d/d | WAVE | Cemetery metered water | £ 41.70 |

**461 Pending Matters**

1. Cemetery queries

It was agreed to accept the application for the reservation of a grave space and to offer a solution to the enquirer after a cremated remains plot.

1. Residents’ Meetings

The Chairman thanked Cllr. Thompson for attending the meetings about which the borough councillors had not thought to inform the Council. It was agreed that little could be done for the allotment tenants immediately but that a watching brief should be maintained to see just what proposals might arise from Stockton BC.

**462 Correspondence**

1. Correspondence was noted as listed

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**463 Any Other Business**

1. Traffic lights

It was reported that complaints had been received about a traffic light being out at Station Road.

1. Newsletter

Cllr. Cherrett asked for items for the next edition of the Newsletter.

1. Jubilee Beacons

The Clerk was asked to forward the correspondence to Cllr. Thompson.

1. New Vicar

It was agreed that the new vicar should be invited to attend a meeting of the Council.

1. Notice Board

The Clerk was asked to enquire about refurbishing the notice board.

Dated this 14th day of March 2022

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 Chairman

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