**Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday, 9th January 2023**

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

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

Cllrs. M. F. Cherrett, N. Hill and Mrs. Y. Symes.

Apologies were received from Cllr. D. Thompson.

Mr. Richard Leach and Dr. Ian Thompson of Disabling the Disabled: Eaglescliffe Station.

**520 Interests**

There were no declared interests.

**521 Minutes**

The Minutes of the last regular Meeting held on Monday, 12th December 2022, copies of which had been circulated, were taken as read, confirmed and signed as a true record.

**522 Matters Arising**

1. Thirteen Group and apparently empty property

The Clerk reported that the representative had visited the Chairman and regretted that he was unable to get the matter sorted.

Members considered that the Company could be compelled to effect and entry into the property.

1. Bus Shelter timetable

The Clerk was asked to check on progress.

**523 Accounts**

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

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| BACS | P. R. Joiner | Clerk’s salary & expenses (Jan) | £ 150.42 |
| D/D | Stockton Borough Council | Cemetery Waste Bin (Jan) | £ 23.10 |
| BACS | HM Revenue & Customs | Clerk’s PAYE | £ 100.20 |
| BACS | Society Of Local Council Clerks | Annual subscription | £73.00 |

**524 Correspondence**

1. Correspondence was noted as listed.
2. Crossing Lights (North Lodge)

The Clerk reported that he had passed on the complaint from Cllr. Thompson and that the problem appeared to have been rectified.

1. Commonwealth War Graves Commission

It was agreed that the Council should approve the request to place a notice on a gate post mentioning the presence of war graves in the cemetery. This had been offered by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission at no cost to the Council.

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**525 Any Other Business**

1. Road Surfaces

The Clerk was asked to approach Stockton BC about the problems which have been highlighted with road surfaces throughout the parish with particular emphasis on the area between Chestnut and Sycamore Roads, Yarm Road near Croft Road, along the length opposite Gatley Walk and near its junction with Preston Lane and beyond to Concorde Way.

1. Chestnut Road dropped gully

The Clerk was asked to report the semi-permanent puddle to the rear of Chestnut Road as people considered it was due to a dropped gully.

1. Accumulation of leaves

The Clerk was asked to report a large accumulation of fallen leaves outside 11 Laburnum Road which was causing problems to the owner.

1. Litter Picking

The Clerk was asked to mention to the litter pickers that they appear regularly to miss the footpath between Oak and Lime Roads.

1. Fire Angels

The Clerk was asked to find out details of Fire Angels from the fire brigade so that they could be publicised in the parish.

1. Election

The Clerk reported that he would be receiving details for candidates for the up-coming elections in May.

Dated this 13th day of February 2023

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Chairman

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