

Duston Parish Council
Duston Community Centre
Pendle Road
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## **FULL COUNCIL**

# MINUTES 9th December 7pm

#### **CHAIRMAN:**

Councillor Bottwood, in the Chair

#### PRESENT:

Cllrs Enright-King, Mumford, Ennis-Clark, Maitland, Hinch, Roper, Stonehouse, Ingram, Barnes, Golby.

#### IN ATTENDANCE:

Gary Youens - Parish Clerk

At the beginning of the meeting a minute silence was held for Shaun Pape, former Chair of Duston Parish Council.

# 120/21. Election of Chair of Duston Parish Council

• **RESOLVED:** Cllr Alan Bottwood was elected Chair of Duston Parish Council for the remainder of the current municipal year 2021/22.

## 121/21. Declaration of Acceptance of Office

Cllr Bottwood signed the declaration of office.

#### 122/21. Election of Vice-Chair of Duston Parish Council (if applicable)

• **RESOLVED:** Cllr Sandie Maitland was elected Vice-Chair of Duston Parish Council for the remainder of the current municipal year 2021/22.

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## 123/21. To receive apologies for absence

None

124/21. To receive and approve the minutes of the meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> November 2021 (APPENDIX A)

• **RESOLVED:** The minutes of the meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> November 2021 were approved as a true record of the meeting

## 125/21. To receive declarations of interest under the Council's Code of Conduct

None

# 126/21. Public Participation Session

None

## 127/21. Engagement and Wellbeing Committee Update

 RESOLVED: To note the report from the Committee and any recommendations (APPENDIX B)

## 128/21. Planning Committee Update

 RESOLVED: To note the report from the committee and the decisions made (APPENDIX C)

## 129/21. Environment Committee Update

 RESOLVED: To note the report from the Committee and any recommendations made (APPENDIX D)

# 130/21. Draft Budget and Council Tax Precept 2022/23

- RESOLVED:
- a) To note the draft budget for 2022/23
- b) To note the proposed precept of £531,231 for 2022/21
- c) To agree a balance of £344,923 as a prudent minimum general reserve as of 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023 when considering the calculation of the precept for 2022/23.

## 131/21. Report of the External Auditor 2020/21

#### RESOLVED:

Council noted the report of the external auditor for 2020/21 (APPENDIX F)

# 132/21. Duston Parish Council Banking Provider

#### **RESOLVED:**

• To change Duston Parish Council banking provider to Unity Trust Bank (APPENDIX G).

#### 133/21. St Luke's Centre Renovation

 RESOLVED: To approve an additional £15,000 from General Reserves for repair work at St Luke's Centre Renovation.

## 134/21. Grant Application

#### RESOLVED:

- a) To approve the grant application from 16<sup>th</sup> Duston Northampton Scout Group in principle (APPENDIX H).
- b) Delegate to the Clerk, in consultation Clirs Hinch & Stonehouse, to approve the application once their Annual Report has been received.

# 135/21. Exclusion of Press and Public

## **RESOLVED:**

- a) To approve the minutes of the Council meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> July 2021.
- b) Therefore Gary Youens would act as Clerk / RFO

The meeting concluded 8:42pm

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