

## Minutes of the Meeting of Sedbergh Parish Council Finance Committee

Held online via Zoom @ 5.00pm Monday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2021

### Present:

Cllrs Lancaster, Capstick, McPherson, Brooks and the Clerk, Miss Hassam

### Part I

#### 1. Apologies

All Members of the Finance Committee were present.

#### 2. Declaration of Interests

There were no Declarations of Interest.

#### 3. Minutes of the Last Meeting held Monday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2021

The minutes were received, agreed and confirmed by the Chairman Cllr Lancaster (signing of the minutes will be processed when reasonable).

#### 4. Urgent Business (Lockdown announcement 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021)

Members discussed the temporary regulations that were introduced in 2020 to allow flexibility of meetings, The Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020. Currently, these regulations are due to expire on 7<sup>th</sup> May 2021. The Clerk will advise if/when any further amendments are received in regard to these regulations. In the meantime, a venue should be considered to allow face to face meetings after this date. It was also noted, following significant news coverage of a Parish Council Committee meeting in another area in recent days, that Members may wish to consider recording future meetings of Sedbergh Parish Council whilst being held virtually. Members discussed, however, recommended that this was unnecessary and will be referred to Full Council on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2021.

#### 5. Financial Summary and Bank Reconciliation

The Financial Summary for January 2021 had been circulated to Members and all payments were recommended (attached) for approval at Full Council. In addition, a payment for Parish Lighting had been received £182.95 and was also recommended. The Clerk confirmed that the previous query in regard to water consumption had been resolved and that the overpayment caused by their administration error, would be credited to a future invoice. The Bank Reconciliation for January was checked and found to be correct. All cheques approved for payment, will be signed following the Full Council online meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> February 2021.

#### 6. Income and Expenditure 2020-2021

The Income and Expenditure report for 2020/2021 was circulated for information. The Clerk noted that the income and expenditure were almost equal at this point in the year, not withstanding the additional sums received over and above general income (these were SLDC Grant for lost car park income and the legacy from Mr N Lord).

#### 7. Grant Applications

There were no Grant applications for January 2021.

#### 8. Electric Vehicle Charging

i) **proposed lease at Joss Lane car park and the People's Hall car park, Charge My Street (CMS).** Members noted that correspondence had been sent to the People's Hall Management Committee and awaited a response. In respect of the proposal at Joss Lane car park, Members recommended that the location should be as close as feasible to Joss Lane. This would require the Disabled parking bays to be moved. The Clerk will confirm any regulatory signage that may be required for the disabled bays, as this will impact on any future relocation.

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**9. Parking tariffs/Sedbergh parking permit – annual review**

Members recommended that all tariffs should remain unchanged, with a review again in 2022.

**10. Date of next meeting – Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2021 at 5pm, Members resolved to continue the Finance Committee meetings via Zoom at this time.**

Part II

It was resolved and agreed that the public should be excluded from the meeting for reason of the confidential nature and of the financial information to be discussed.

**11. Financial Matter**

The Chairman and Clerk reported on a new (positive) financial matter.