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Draft Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of Toft Newton Parish Council held by zoom on Tuesday 5th January 2021 at 6.00pm

Those present: Councillors D Pavia, R Nelson, M Colbourne, B Kent, R Gibbs.

In attendance: J Waite (Clerk)

**1To receive apologies and reasons for absence Ref** **20/59**

Cllr  L Bebbington – Colbourne. Cllr S Orr

**2To receive declarations of interest under the Localism Act 2011 – being any pecuniary or** **non-pecuniary interest in agenda items not previously recorded on Members’ Register of Interests. Ref 20/60**

None

**3 To approve draft minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council, held on 3rd November 2020. Ref 20/61**

Resolved to approve as a true record.

Proposed Cllr R Nelson. Seconded Cllr B Kent. All in favour.

**4 Public Questions Ref 20/62**

None

**5 Clerk’s report Ref** **20 /63**

New websites provided by LCC will be up and running by March 2021. Any extra hours over usual weekly amount to be notified by Clerk for payment at next meeting.

A request has been made for more grit bins around the village – councillors to look at 3 sites and email details to the Clerk.

Proposed Cllr Colbourne. Seconded Cllr B Kent. All in favour.

Handyman / playground vacant post to be advertised at 2 hours per week at min wage.

**6. Financial Matters Ref 20/64**

**To be paid by BACS**

Salaries £312.76

Clerks Expenses and Disbursements £42.15

Green Grass Contracting – invoice 2562, 2539 £149.28

Newtoft Community Green Spaces donation £500.00

**To be paid by cheque**

None

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Resolved to approve payments.

Proposed Cllr M Colbourne, Seconded Cllr R Gibbs. All in favour.

Budget update figures were circulated.

Resolved to submit a final precept of £10,000.00.

Proposed Cllr D Pavia Seconded Cllr R Gibbs. All in favour.

**7 Planning applications and decisions received Ref 20/65**

None received.

**8 Parish matters – To receive any report or consider any appropriate action Ref 20/66**

A) Grounds Maintenance - manhole cover broken outside 54 Washington Drive still to be fixed. The hedge on Newtoft Lane needs cutting – contact LCC Highways. Qoutes being sort for grass verge cutting contract.

B) Allotments - There is only 1 plot available. No issues to report.

C) Play area – the 3 signs about no dogs on the field have gone up, the last one to be put up at a later date.

Quote for grass cutting next season 2021 has been received, at £64.00 per cut. Last year was £62.20 per cut. Resolve to approve.

Proposed Cllr R Nelson. Seconded Cllr D Pavia. All in favour.

**9 To receive general comments from members for consideration on the next agenda. Ref 20/67**

Handyman / inspection post

Grass verge quotes

**10** **Date and Time of next meeting -**

March 2nd 2021 – Annual Meeting of the Parish 6.00pm

March 2nd 2021– Ordinary Council meeting 6.30pm

Meeting closed 6.49pm.