**LAWSHALL PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**HELD ON 10TH MAY 2022 AT THE VILLAGE HALL AT 7.55PM**

**(A list of those present with contact details is recorded and will be filed with these Minutes).**

**PRESENT:** Chairman Mrs K Whordley, Vice chairman: Mrs S. Ricketts, Cllrs. A. Irish, D.C. Griggs, T. Elmer, Mrs S. Sands. Ccllr. R. Kemp, Dcllr. M. Holt, Mrs D. Griggs (Clerk) 7 Members of the public.

**29 APOLOGIES:** Cllr. R. Debenham, Dcllr. S. Plumb.

**30 TO RECEIVE COUNCILLORS DECLARATIOS OF INTEREST IN ANY ITEM ON THE AGENDA. ANY CHANGES TO BE DECLARED WITHIN 28 DAYS AND THE**

**REGISTER OF INTERESTS UPDATED.** Cllr. Mrs Suzanne Ricketts reported that her husband Mr Paul Ricketts is now Caretaker and Booking Clerk for the Village Hall. The Clerk will update Cllr Mrs Ricketts Register of Interests.

**31 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN:** Cllr.A. Irish nominated Cllr. Mrs Karen Whordley as Chairman, seconded by Cllr. Mrs S. Ricketts, all in favour.

**32 ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN:** Cllr. Mrs Karen Whordley nominated Cllr. Mrs Suzanne Ricketts as Vice chairman, seconded by Cllr. Mrs Christine Sands, all in favour.

**33 DECLARATIONS OF OFFICE:** These were signed by the Chairman, Vice chairman and Clerk.

**34 MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON 12TH APRIL 2022**

The Minutes were agreed and signed.

Mr Ric Edelman offered thanks to Cllr. A. Irish for his hard work as chair of the parish council to which the councillors agreed.

**5 REPORTS:**

**Ccllr. R. Kemp:**  circulated to Councillors.

**Dcllrs. S. Plumb and M. Holt:** circulated to Councillors.

**Crime report:**  No new crimes reported for Lawshall March/April according to the Police website.

**36 MATTERS ARISING:**

**NHPLan update:**  This is not quite ready for approval; it will be included on the June agenda.

**C.I.L. FUNDING:**  The Clerk will research what is required to make a C.I.L. application for funds.

**Councillor training:**  Cllr. Mrs Christine Sands request to attend training at S.A.L.C. This was discussed and the Councillors agreed, this was proposed by Cllr. Mrs K Whordley, seconded by Cllr. A. Irish, all in favour.

**Norris & Fisher:**  Current insurance providers. (Insurance runs out in October 2022). Information stating that they can no longer insure the P.C. The clerk will research new insurance providers and find out costs.

**NHPLan end of grant report:**  this will be filed.

**Swap shop:** broken glass - this will be repaired by Cllr. A. Irish.

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**37 FINANCE:**

Clerk’s Salary & Expenses: £369.50

Mr E Markell: £80.00 (cutting grass in B/Ground 4/5/22

Running Imp: £123.11 (Jubilee Souvenirs for village children 12 years & under).

R.E.J.B. £132.00 (Equipment inspection, original cheque never received, replacement cheque.

R.E.J.B. £3830.14 (play equipment repairs.)

A.J. Smith: £7656.92 (new paths @ Walcher’s meadow)

The following balance were reported as @ 5/5/2022:

Community account: £301.93 - unpresented chqs £265.20 = £36.73 available

Business account: £30,515,68.

Cllr. A. Irish proposed that £12,191.00 is transferred from the Business account, into the Current account, seconded by Cllr. Mrs K. Whordley, all in favour.

**Bank Mandate changes:**  To remove Mrs K Whordley as signatory, and Mr Ray Debenham. To install Cllrs Mrs S. Ricketts and Cllr Mrs C Sands as new cheque signatories.

**38 PLANNING PERMISSION GRANTED:**

**Application No. DC/22/01380: Aaron Cottage, Harrow Green**: erection of part two storey part single storey rear extension (following demolition of existing rear single storey extension and conservatory.)

**APPEAL REFERENCE APP/D3505/W/21/3289016 FOR APPLICATION NO. DC/21/05765:** LAND TO THE EAST OF MELFORD ROAD: CONSRUCTION OF UP TO 9 DWELLINGS WITH ASSOCIATED VEHICULAR ACCESS.

**39 CORRESPONDENCE: None.**

**40 ANY OTHER BUSINESS:**

**Report some of the verges have not been cut by Babergh D.C.** The Clerk will make enquiries.

**Swap Shop:**  this will be repaired a.s.a.p.

**Walcher’s meadow:**  Report of drain cover/manhole needing attention. Mr M Whordley offered to check this.

**Jubilee Souvenirs for Lawshall children 12 years and under:** Cllr. Mrs C. Sands has kindly offered to hand out the Jubilee Celebration Day on 3rd June 2022 at 3pm.

**Tree near Swap Shop:** Mr Michael Whordley will remove this tree.

**Number of Councillors:** Chairman Mrs K Whordley asked the Clerk to contact Babergh D.C. to ask if we can have 2 more Councillors, making the number up to 9 in total.

**Resignation:**  Mr Ray Debenham offered his resignation as Councillor due to his other commitments. Mr Debenham was thanked for his years of service. The Clerk will inform Babergh D.C. of the vacancy.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.50pm.

**Next meeting: Tuesday 14th June 2022 at 7.30pm at the village hall.**

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**Chairman Date**