Balderton Parish Council

Minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee meeting held in the Balderton Village Centre on Wednesday April 10th 2019 at 7.00pm

- PRESENT Councillors Mrs Hurst (Chairman), Ms White (Vice Chairman), Allen, Mrs Brooks, Mrs Newstead, Newstead, Rouse and Walker with the Clerk.
- APOLOGIES were received from Cllrs Green, Mrs Lee and Watt.

6175 Payments

All payments were approved and authorised; a list of these is published with the minutes.

6176 **Declarations of Interest**

Cllrs Mrs Brooks, Mrs Hurst and Walker, as serving members of Newark & Sherwood District Council declared a personal interest to any issue relating to the District Council. Cllr Walker, as a serving member of Nottinghamshire County Council declared a personal interest to any County Council issue.

6177 **Public Participation**

There were no members of public present at the meeting.

6178 Clerk/Chairman's Update

A printed update of ongoing matters was circulated and noted. The update is published with the minutes. The following issues were discussed from the update:

- 1. **Re Minute 6159 Christmas Tree** Cllrs Mrs Hurst and Ms White had attended a site meeting today with County Council officers and Cllr Wallace. There is no objection in principle to the notion of lights being installed on the tree, and it may be possible to create a garden area on the land in front of the new Orchard School. The authority requires formal plans showing measurements, proposals etc. as soon as possible as building work is scheduled to commence on site very soon
- 2. **Re Minute 6170 Chuter Ede Primary School Parking** Patrols to enforce illegal parking practices have been increased. Cllr Newstead advised that there is a van regularly parked on the grass verge near to Brisbane Court exacerbating the problems. The registration number will be passed to the authorities.

6179 Financial Assistance

Consideration was given to written requests for financial assistance from:

- a) Newark Dementia Carers Group for additional equipment
- b) Warriors FC for facilities within its new pavilion
- c) Reach Learning Disability for café start up equipment
- d) Newark FC for a specific kit to play a commemorative game It was,

RECOMMENDED that a grant of £500 be paid to the Newark Dementia Carers Group.

Members did not consider it appropriate to make grants to the two football teams but the application from Reach Learning Disability was deferred until the extent of café kitchen alteration requirements is known.

6180 Highways Faults

a) There is quite a 'ramp' in the road where the section of the recently re-surfaced Hawton Lane ends near to the Russell Avenue junction. Cllr Walker advised that this is being investigated.

b) The section of Bullpit Road near to Veterinary practice is starting to break up.

c) Two litter bins near to Sainsbury's are in need of replacement and/or repair.

6181 Correspondence/Information

The following items of correspondence and/or information have been received and were noted:

- a) A letter of appreciation from the Newark Community First Aiders for use of the Village Centre for defibrillator training sessions. Twenty four people were trained during the local courses and fifty six people at the drop in sessions.
- b) The latest newsletter from local M.P. Robert Jenrick including an update about improved services and facilities at Newark Hospital.

6182 Future Agenda Items

No items were raised.

The meeting was closed at approximately 7.25pm.