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Minutes of a Meeting of Locking Parish Council's Finance Committee held on Tuesday 30 March 2021 at 7 pm via Zoom

Meeting opened: 7.00pm

Meeting closed: 8.40pm

Present: Councillors: Cllr B Bearsby (Chairman), Cllr M Tremlett (Vice Chairman), Cllr Lacey, Cllr Jones, Cllr J Keate (ex Officio)

Also, in attendance: The Clerk

MATTERS FOR DECISION

FC43 To receive Apologies for absence and to approve reasons where appropriate: None

FC44 To receive Declarations of Interest by PCIIrs and to consider any written applications for dispensations: None

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

FC45 To receive and hear any person who wishes to address the Council, upon prior notice being received. None

MATTERS FOR DECISION

- FC46 To receive and confirm the Minutes of the Committee meeting held on 11 February 2021. RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Committee meeting held on 11.02.2021 (previously circulated), be taken as read, agreed as being a true and correct record and as a consequence, signed as such by the meeting Chairman.
- FC47 Review of LPC Financial Regulations and agree any amendments/recommendations to full Council.

AGREED to recommend to Full council with the following amendments:

- a) All references to Finance & Strategic Planning Committee to be removed and replaced with Finance Committee
- b) 8.5 wording "an shall" to be removed
- c) Amendment to 11.1j Wording with regards to "No person shall be permitted" this was discussed at length and largely acknowledged as incomplete/confusing AGREED that the Clerk submit appropriate wording and email to Committee Members before submitted to full Council.

FC48 Review LPC Risk Management and agree any amendments/recommendations to full Council. AGREED to submit the following recommendations:

To add OBR Car Park and Attenuation Pond – Clerk to submit appropriate wording and email to Committee Members before submitted to full Council.

FC49 Five Year Financial Strategic Plan –The Strategic Plan sets the key priorities that the Parish Council will focus on over the next 5 year. The Chairman had produced a set of scenarios for precept calculations over the next 5 years for discussion.

Lively discussion took place with concerns raised regarding continuation of the plan with future councils but also acknowledged that based on the discussion there was not conclusive evidence to not have a financial plan.

Members discussed the need for a fluid plan, and this to be rolling financial plan not limited to 5 years, to be reviewed annually and published to the Parish.

Further work would need to commence after the workshop for OBR Long Term Plan projects and priorities had been reviewed and agreed with by full council.

In the meantime, the Chairman and the Clerk to continue to work on the plan.

FC50 Agenda Items for next meeting: No new items for next agenda – continue working on the Rolling Financial Plan

FC51 Date for next meeting: TBC

There being no further business the meeting Chairman closed the meeting at 8.40pm.

Signed (Chairman).....

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