

## TOLLESHUNT D'ARCY PARISH COUNCIL

### **Minutes of the Additional Meeting held on 24.1.2107 in the Village Hall Tolleshunt D'Arcy**

**PRESENT:** CHAIRING THE MEETING – COUNCILLOR J SMITH (ACTING VICE CHAIR)  
COUNCILLORS L BARWICK, G MUNSEN AND R SCOTT  
ALSO PRESENT THE WARD MEMBERS COUNCILLORS E BAMFORD AND M THOMPSON, AND  
THE ACTING CLERK MISS V BANYARD

No members of the public were present.

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1. Chairman's welcome. Councillor J Smith welcomed everyone to the meeting.
  2. To receive apologies for absence. Apologies for absence were received from Councillor R Dent (Chairman), Councillor J Birkin and Councillor D Cook.
  3. To receive any Declarations of Interest  
To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary, Pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests relating to items on the agenda  
No Declarations of Interest were made.
  4. Public Participation Session  
No issues were raised.
  5. To approve the appointment of Miss V Banyard as interim clerk to the Council.  
It was unanimously **RESOLVED** to appoint Miss V Banyard as interim clerk to the Council.
  6. To note that the Parish Council has been unsuccessful in obtaining a further grant for improvements to the play area. A contingency plan had already been agreed at a previous meeting to cover this possibility – the Parish Council to provide £5,000 match funding to go with the £10,000 grant awarded by Essex County Council Community Initiatives Fund.
    - b) To consider in light of the above ways to move forward with play area improvements, and to consider and approve the quotation from Lars Laj UK for the play area works. Councillors noted the quotation (previously circulated) from Lars Laj UK to supply and install the Sea Robber Multi Decked unit with grass mat safety tiles, with a discounted price on offer until 31.1.2017.  
Sufficient funds are available for this work and it is not thought that planning permission will be required as it is the final third of a major project in the play area. However, Councillor Mr Smith undertook to check this.  
Councillor Mr Munsen questioned whether there was an adequate paperwork trail for the play area project in its entirety, going back to the original grant application with quotations for the play area work, but he was assured by the Chair that this was the case and it had been seen at previous meetings. Councillor Mr Munsen stated that with this assurance he did not see any problem.  
It was then unanimously **RESOLVED** to accept the quotation from Lars Laj UK to supply and install the Sea Robber Multi Decked Unit as per the quotation received.



It was noted that some work needs to be done to the roundabout but this does not constitute a safety issue.

7. To consider staffing issues.

It was noted that various staffing issues had now been resolved and it was therefore not now necessary to exclude the public and press from this item on the agenda.

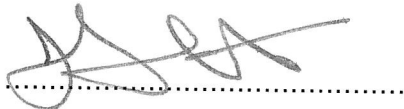
8. Other issues.

Councillor G Munsen asked for clarification on the issue of the renewal of the Village Hall insurance. He was advised that the insurance renewal date was 25.12.2016, and that for various reasons the renewal document did not come to hand until very shortly before that date. Councillor R Dent (Chairman) therefore authorised the payment of the renewal fee in order that cover should continue, and the cheque was duly signed by two signatories.

Councillor L Barwick asked that the issue of the defibrillator and its casing should be included in the agenda for the meeting on 31.1.2017. Councillor E Bamford (Ward Member) stated that Tollesbury First Responders recommended that several people in the village should be trained in the use of Heart Start before using the defibrillator. Councillor L Barwick will bring information on this to the next meeting.

As there was no further business the meeting was closed at 8.00 pm.

Signed



Date

31 January 2017