#### MINUTES of the EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of FROYLE PARISH COUNCIL held in the Village Hall, Lower Froyle, on Friday 2nd June 2017 at 7.45 pm

Parish Council: Mr. I. Macnabb Dr. A. Roberts	Others: none.
Mrs. J. Southern	
Mrs. J. Wallis Mr. N. Whines	

## **ITEM 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

**Present** 

Apologies were received from Mr. Ian Deans, Mr. Kevin Anfield and Mr. Toby Fay

## **ITEM 2 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> May 2017 will be approved at the meeting of the council to be held on 13<sup>th</sup> June 2017.

#### **ITEM 3 MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

These will be carried forward and discussed at the meeting to be held on 13<sup>th</sup> June 2017.

#### **ITEM 4 FROYLE PARK**

The Council discussed the ongoing legal correspondence received from Schillings solicitors on behalf of Mr. Nicolas Roach. In this context the Council also reviewed in particular, the draft letter from Penningtons Manches (dated 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2017) which is proposed to be sent to Schillings on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June. This letter outlines the evidence, which supports the honest opinion expressed by the Council in the letter to the Alton Herald of 17<sup>th</sup> May 2017. After some amendments it was agreed that the Chairman would instruct Jeremy Clarke Williams from Pennington Manches to send the letter to Schillings on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June.

The meeting also discussed and agreed upon two other matters: firstly the wording of the apology that Mr. Roach is seeking that would be acceptable to FPC and secondly the demand by Mr. Roach for a payment of £5000 plus VAT towards his costs. Both of these points would also be addressed in correspondence due to be sent to Schillings on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June.

The Council confirmed that it continues to seek an amicable resolution to this matter. The wording of the apology stipulated by Schillings was discussed in detail and largely accepted although there continues to be some unease with elements of it. Alternative wording was suggested and it was agreed that the Chairman would circulate further drafts over the weekend with a view to final wording to be included in the letter to be sent to Schillings on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June.

There was a unanimous decision to continue to decline Mr. Roach's demand for a contribution to his costs. Again this would be reflected in the letter to Schillings.

The meeting confirmed that any correspondence should be copied to Hiscox and every effort made to ensure that they had had an opportunity to comment before anything was sent to Schillings. It was noted however that this might prove difficult as Matt Harrison was now out of the office.

#### ITEM 5 OTHER MATTERS None

#### **ITEM 6 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**

A list of the correspondence received since the agenda for the meeting of 8th May 2017 had been prepared had been enclosed with the agenda. Noted.

#### ITEM 7 REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS AND OFFICERS None

## ITEM 8 MATTERS RAISED BY COUNCILLORS None

# ITEM 9 MATTERS RAISED BY RESIDENTS None

# ITEM 10 MATTERS FOR REPORTING IN VILLAGE MAGAZINE Deferred.

## **ITEM 12 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> June.

Date.....

Chairman.....