Holme Valley Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE EXRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE SERVICE PROVISION COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY, 23 NOVEMBER 2020 (Online)

Those present:

Chairman: Cllr Kath Bellamy

Councillors: Cllr M Blacka, Cllr T Dixon, Cllr S East, Cllr Feeney, Cllr M Pogson, Cllr J Roberts

Officers: Ms E Bennett (Clerk)

Public Open Session

There was one member of the Public representing the Honley Village Community Trust in regard to their grant application for a new Youth Worker.

2021 23 Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 amended by Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014

As Council meetings can now be recorded, the Chairman checked if anyone wished to do so, to ensure reasonable facilities could be provided. The meeting is being recorded on the Clerk's computer and will be published on You Tube with a link from the website.

2021 24 To accept apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were accepted from Cllr Brook and Cllr Firth.

2021 25 To receive Members' personal and disclosable pecuniary interests in items on the agenda

Cllr K Bellamy expressed an interest in the Holmfirth Civic Hall Community Trust.

2021 26 To consider written requests for new DPI dispensations

None received.

2021 27 To consider whether items on the agenda should be discussed in private session

It was agreed that no items required to be taken in private session.

Grant Requests

To consider a grant Application form Honley Village Community Trust for up to £20,000 towards the employment of a full time Youth Worker in Honley.

There was some discussion about whether the Council was able to fund wages. The Clerk explained that this matter had been discussed at Full Council on 9 November 2020 and that in agreeing to the Criteria for Grants, the Council accepted that where 'services' were being supported and not 'capital projects', it was possible to support wages.

Resolved; that a grant of £4000 was approved for the Honley Youth Club for the purpose of employing a full-time qualified Youth Worker. This grant will be made under the 1972 Local Government Act, Section 137.

To Consider a grant Request form Holmfirth Civic Hall Community Trust grant of £80 towards the purchase of two Christmas trees.

Resolved; to make the grant of £100 which included an extra £20 for a set of tree lights.

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This grant is made under Section 137 of the 1972 Local Government Act.

Christmas Trees

2021 30 To consider the progress on installing Christmas trees around the Valley.

Noted; that Scholes, Honley, Upperthong, Hinchliffe Mill and Holmbridge were all well on their way to securing trees for this year and having them delivered and installed. Cllr Bellamy suggested that the Council look at other providers next year as some parties were sourcing trees at a lower price than the Council has usually managed. Cllr Roberts reminded everyone that the Council were still hoping to encourage the purchase of living trees where possible after this Christmas. Cllr Roberts warned against planting living trees without due regard to how big they might grow.

Noted; that the purchase of 4 Christmas trees from the Kirklees Park Department for Brockholes, Netherthong, New Mill and Wooldale (the Holmfirth tree is provided free) is in hand and the cost has been reduced to £2416,28 after an administrative error was corrected. There was some discussion over the higher price of these trees, but it was established that these are bigger trees, installed and decommissioned by the Kirklees Council and insured by them.

2021 31 Holme Valley Minibuses

Noted; that there were savings on this budget as the buses did not run during the first Covid lockdown.

2021 32 Consideration of the Budget for 2021/22

Budget considerations for 2021/22

Agreed at the Extraordinary meeting of the committee on 23/11/2020

Budget heading	Allocation 2020/21	Projected spend by end March 2021	Budget request for 2021/2022
CCTV	£5,000	nil	Put £5000 EMR
Christmas Provision	£5,500	£4,300	£5,500
Closed Churchyard New Mill	£400	Overspend £300	£800
Defibrillators	0	£1000	£2000 EMR
Dog Waste strategy (two more dispensers, more glove)	£750	£950	£1000
HV Patient transport	£1000	£2000	£1000
Minibus	£25,000	Underspend due to suspension of buses in Lockdown (£22,000?)	£25,000
Phone boxes	£300	£300	£400

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(add new phone box)			
Seats and shelters	£12,000	£11,050	£13,000
War Memorials	£500	Not spent but request for spend on Hepworth	£1000 EMR
Youth Facilities	£5000	£5000 (Youth Grant to Honley included)	£8,000
total	£55,450		£8,000 EMR £54,700

The committee needs to ask Full council if the SP committee can vire the extra £1000 spent on patient transport from the Minibus Budget. The committee also intends to give a grant for a defibrillator for £1000 and pay for some litter bins (£540)in the remainder of this year 2020/21.

Resolved; to increase the Youth Budget by a further £3000, increase the budgets for the maintenance of eats and shelters by £1000, to increase the budget for phone boxes by £100, to increase the budget for the closed churchyard by £300, to increase the budget for the Dog Waste Strategy by £250, and to move provision for CCTV, defibrillators and War Memorials to the Earmarked Reserves.

Resolved; to request Full Council to approve the virement of £1000 from the Minibus heading to the Holme Valley Patient Transport Heading. That £1000 is made available for a forthcoming defibrillator request and £540 for the funding of new litter bins in Holmfirth.

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