

MARSHLAND ST JAMES PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of an Extra-Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on 25th August 2021

Present

Councillors: Askew (Chair), Gathercole, Redhead, Thorpe & Wilkinson.

No members of the public

Clerk – S Thorpe

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies had been received from Cllr Coleman, Cllr Didwell and Cllr Norman.

2. Declarations of Interest

None.

3. Public Speaking

There were no members of the public present.

4. Planning Matters

a. Applications received since last meeting:

i. **21/01632/F Single storey rear extension at Townsend Farm, Black Drove.** The application was discussed and it was agreed by all to SUPPORT the application.

5. Commuted sum for future costs associated with adoption of street lighting on the new development off School Road

The figure had now been calculated. It comprised of three elements for a period of 30 years: the cost of electricity, maintenance and one replacement of the lanterns.

Agree to approve the commuted sum of £4107.33.

Prop: Cllr Askew

2nd: Cllr Gathercole

Agreed.

6. Appointment of a new Clerk/RFO

The interview panel recommended appointment of Mr Neil Watson as the new Clerk/RFO. Appointment to be on the standard model contract with a 6 months' probation period, the employment to start on 1st September and would be 12 hours per week with the starting salary of SCP 19. An induction course for new Clerks to be booked with Norfolk ALC for October and the current Clerk had agreed to provide mentoring of the new Clerk. Current Clerk also agreed to continue dealing with the RFO role for September to complete the ongoing large project at the playing field and to assist the new Clerk with the financial end of year next March/April.

Agree to appoint Mr Neil Watson as the Clerk/RFO on the terms above.

Prop: Cllr Wilkinson

2nd: Cllr Gathercole

Agreed.

Meeting closed at 7.26pm.