BROOKTHORPE-WITH-WHADDON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL 1st MAY 2022

1. PRESENT

Messrs, J Hendry, D Kaspar, R Stokes-Rhys, P Gaze, Mrs A Szabo [Parish Clerk] and 1 member of the public.

2. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

It was proposed by Cllr D Kaspar and seconded by Cllr P Gaze that Cllr J Hendry be elected as Chairman. Cllr J Hendry was duly elected as Chairman and signed his declaration of acceptance.

3. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

It was proposed by Cllr R Stokes-Rhys and seconded by Cllr D Kaspar that Cllr P Gaze be elected as Vice-Chairman. Cllr P Gaze was duly elected as Vice-Chairman and signed his declaration of acceptance.

4. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

5. DECLARATION OF QUALIFICATION TO USE THE POWER OF GENERAL COMPETENCE AS POWER OF FIRST RESORT ON ALL SPENDING

The Clerk reported that the Council was still eligible to use this Power. Councillors resolved to use this Power of first resort.

6. APPROVAL OF STATEMENTS OF ACCOUNTS

The summary of accounts was agreed and signed as a true account of the Council's finances.

7. APPROVAL OF AGAR STATEMENTS

a] Annual Governance Statement – The Annual Governance Statements were agreed by all Councillors.

b] Accounting Statements – It was proposed by Cllr P Gaze and seconded by Cllr D Kaspar that this statement be signed by the Chairman and RFO.

c] Certificate of Exemption – It was proposed by Cllr R Stokes-Rhys and seconded by Cllr P Gaze that this statement be signed by the Chairman and RFO.

8. TO REVIEW COUNCIL'S RISK MANAGEMENT

a) GDPR risk assessment – Councillors all agreed that these were still fit for purpose and that there were no alterations needed.

b) General risk assessment – Councillors agreed that these were still fit for purpose and that there were no alterations needed.

9. TO REVIEW COUNCIL'S STANDING ORDERS

Councillors agreed that these were still fit for purpose and that there were no alterations needed.

10. TO REVIEW COUNCIL'S FINANCIAL STANDING ORDERS

Councillors agreed that these were still fit for purpose and that there were no alterations needed.

11. TO AGREE COUNCILLORS SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES

Internal Auditor – Cllr J Hendry Environment – Cllr D Kaspar Highways – Cllr P Gaze Planning – Cllr P Gaze Village Hall representative – Cllr P Gaze

11. TO REINSTATE FINANCIAL REGULATIONS 2.2 (Internal Audit) and 6.6 (signing of cheques)

It was proposed by Cllr J Hendry and seconded by Cllr D Kaspar that this regulation be reinstated.

12. QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no questions or comments from the public.