

RUFFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 12 June 2023 at 6.00 pm at Ollerton Town Council, Ollerton

Present: Councillors:

D. Fernley (Chair)
B. Bates
J. Pearce
J. Ball

In attendance:

C. Wilson (Clerk)

	DISCUSSION AND DECISIONS	ACTION
RPC/57/23	Apologies for absence: Mr Drane was absent. Councillors consented to the absence.	
RPC/58/23	Declarations of interest: There were no declarations of interest, direct or indirect, in any items of business on the agenda.	
RPC/59/23	Dispensations: No dispensations required.	
RPC/60/23	<p>a. 2023 schedule of fixed assets: The council unanimously approved the schedule valuing fixed assets at £4,364.</p> <p>b. To agree the 2022/2023 annual accounts: Agreed.</p> <p>c. To certify exemption from limited assurance review under section 9 Local Audit (Smaller Authorities) Regulations 2015: Councillors certified that, as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Both the council's annual gross income and expenditure for 2022/23 were less than £25000, and ii. The council had been in existence since before 1 April 2014, and iii. The external auditor had taken no step in relation to any 2021/ financial matters which precluded exemption and iv. The court had made no declaration under section 28(3) of the Audit and Accountability Act 2014 <p>the council was exempt from a limited assurance review and authorised the clerk and chair to sign the certificate of exemption.</p> <p>d. To authorise the chair and the clerk to sign Section 1 (Annual Governance Statement) of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return: The Annual Return was presented incorporating the completed internal auditor's report. Councillors considered the contents together with the internal auditor's comments. They unanimously authorised the chair and clerk to sign Section 1 (Annual governance statement) which they will arrange, socially distantly, councillors' approval having been obtained.</p> <p>e. To authorise the chair and the clerk to sign Section 2 (Accounting Statements) of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return Having considered the contents, schedule of fixed assets and variances, councillors unanimously authorised the chair and clerk to sign Section 2 (Accounting Statements).</p> <p>Although not an agenda item, councillors noted the following quotes obtained by Mr Pearce for the installation of the noticeboard:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Via East Midlands- £528.83 plus VAT ii. Kent Services - £700 plus VAT. 	A

	and authorised Mr Pearce to accept the Via quote and instruct them to install the noticeboard.	
RPC/61/23	Date of next meeting: Tuesday 18 July 2023	

The meeting closed at 6.20 pm