MINUTES OF GOSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL EXTRAORDINARY MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 4th NOVEMBER 2024

AT THE PAVILION, THE PLAYING FIELD, CHURCH ROAD, GOSFIELD AT 7.15PM

Present:

Cllr Bob Waters (Vice-Chairman)
Cllr Jo Colyer
Cllr Tony Farrelly
Cllr Carol Hough
Cllr Tony Strudwick
Cllr John Willis
Mrs Diane Jacob (Parish Clerk)

24/236 Welcome and Apologies for Absence. The Vice-Chairman welcomed everyone, apologies for absence received from Cllr Tricia Edwards (Chairman), Cllr Richard Edwards (due to holiday) and Cllr Maggi Pawsey (due to illness).

24/237 Declaration of Interests.

To receive any disclosable pecuniary interests or non-pecuniary interests, or interests relating to items on the agenda. Members of the council are subject to the Local Authorities Code of Conduct. A non-pecuniary interest (Para 8.1 of Gosfield Parish Council's code of conduct).

None.

24/238 To exclude the press and public.

Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960

'That the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of Agenda Items 24/239 and 24/240 on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business subject to the public bodies admission to meetings Act 1960 Section 1 Sub-section 2.n Resolution to exclude members of the press and public.

Proposed by Cllr Waters, seconded by Cllr Colyer, all in favour resolution passed.

24/239 Car Park Surfacing.

Gosfield Parish Council sent out the tender documents and placed them on the Parish Council website in accordance with our financial regulations 10.3. Gosfield Parish Council tried very hard to place the documents on contracts finder, but were unable to do so. We did not get the responses required, we have been unable to obtain 3 quotes so due to the specialised nature of the work and in accordance with financial regulation 11.1d we were unable to obtain any further quotes. Clerk opened and read out the sealed quotes received; the two quotes were discussed. It was agreed to accept the cheapest quote from MDS Civil Engineering Ltd at a cost of £139,219.64 excluding VAT.

Proposed by Cllr Farrelly, seconded by Cllr Colyer, Cllr Waters, Cllr Willis, and Cllr Hough in favour Cllr Strudwick against resolution passed.

24/240 Car Park funding for the surfacing.

The Parish Council agreed to make an application to the Rowson Perpetual Memorial Fund a for financial assistance, for £50,000.00

Proposed by Cllr Farrelly, seconded by Cllr Willis all in favour, resolution passed

Also, to the National Lottery once the final S106 funding figure has been confirmed by Braintree District Council.

24/241 Date of Next Meeting.

Next Parish Council Meeting 18th November 2024 (7.15pm) In the Pavilion.

Meeting Closed at 7.55pm

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Signed	Date: 18th November 2024
Chairman of the Parish Council	