

SCOTTER PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Extraordinary Council Meeting held on 5th March 2007

PRESENT: Councillor C. Day (Chairman), Councillors M. Brown, J. Allen, M. Armstrong, J. Bullivent, D. Capes, J. Fillingham, S. Rayner and A. Sheardown, M. Brown (Clerk).

167 2006/07 : To receive and approve apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Councillor Billam, with all other Councillors present. Proposed by Councillor Sheardown, seconded by Councillor Fillingham and agreed by all, it was

RESOLVED : To accept and approve the apology from Councillor Billam.

168 2006/07 : To receive declarations of interest

No declarations were made at this point.

169 2006/07 : To consider the commitment of the sum of £1055.70 to Sita as third party funding, to be paid if an application for £10,000.00 towards the new juniors tennis facilities (submitted by Groundwork Lincolnshire) is successful.

The Clerk reminded the Council that, during the February Council meeting, she had raised the fact that she had been asked by Mrs Mumby to send a letter of support, on behalf of the Council, to Groundwork Lincolnshire to assist in the latter's funding bid for new tennis facilities in Scotter. As no monetary commitment was requested at that time, the Council had agreed that this letter could be sent.

However, the provider of the funding (Sita, an organisation that administers the Landfill Tax Credit Scheme) requires a third party funder to meet all of the administration costs associated with the bid, if it is successful. This sum cannot be provided by any party that would directly benefit from the investment, such that the Tennis Club would not be regarded as a suitable third party funder. Groundwork Lincolnshire is looking for £10k from Sita and, to achieve this, has asked the Parish Council to commit to £1055.70 as the third party funder. The deadline for submission of bids is 16th March 2007, such that this item cannot wait until the next Council meeting.

Councillor Rayner queried whether money was available to support the bid, if successful. The Clerk confirmed that some £3k had been included in the 2007/08 Precept for community projects, of which £2k is available for allocation. Should the sum be required to be paid during this financial year, it could be covered by the contingency sum.

On this basis, proposed by Councillor Brown, seconded by Councillor Day and with all agreed, it was :

RESOLVED : To make a commitment to Sita to act as third party funder in the amount of £1055.70, should the bid for £10k for new tennis facilities in Scotter be successful.

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 7.18pm.

Clerk:

Chairman:

Date:

Initialed Chairman