MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY OCTOBER 8TH AT WALMER BRIDGE VILLAGE HALL

<u>ATTENDANCE</u> –Mr D Suthers, Mr D Rimmer, Mrs C Roper Mrs M Kirkman.

Also present were two members of the public.

1.APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Mr J Rainsbury & Mrs S Rainsbury

2. <u>MINUTES</u> — The minutes of the previous meeting were discussed and agreed.

3.TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None received.

4.CHAIRMAN'S UPDATES AND MATTERS ARISING

Spar's sponsorship of planting the right side of Walmer Green Gardens has now been completed.

There is damage to two bus stops, one near Old Mill Court and the other near the Walmer Bridge Inn. Councillor Suthers will check if the repair is the responsibility of SRBC. The village committee would be approached to clean the bridge sign.

The thirty poppies for the lamp posts have been collected. An extra wreath has been ordered for the war memorial.

The placing of the war memorial was discussed.

5. <u>PUBLIC DISCUSSION</u> - None .At this point it was voted unanimously that Laurence Dryden be co-opted as a member of the Parish Council.

6. PLANNING UPDATES ON ONGOING APPLICATIONS

No further updates

7. PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED SINCE LAST MEETING

07/2018/6426/ADE –Land between Chestnut Farm and Willow Tree Farm – erection of an agricultural building.

It was agreed that there was nothing contentious here.

07/2018/6417/FUL – Playing fields Dob Lane

Change of use of land and siting of shipping container.

The Parish Council will place an objection to this. The positioning of the container encourages anti- social behaviour which has already occurred. It should be placed with other storage items.

8.PRELIMINARY DISCUSSION - PRECEPT 2019/2020

Some discussion took place. The amount required will be decided next month.

9. FINANCIAL STATEMENT

This was discussed and agreed.

10. PAYMENTS

It was agreed to pay Garden Scene an amount of £306.42 for work done in September.

It was agreed to pay the clerk £750 for her quarterly salary, and £146.13 for her six month's expenses.

It was agreed to pay CPRE £36 for annual membership.

It was agreed to pay the Village Hall £60 for 6 months rental

Payment to 123 Reg £11.99 for domain renewal confirmed It was agreed to pay L Dryden £100.97 for planting

Payment of £150 to Royal British Legion for poppies was confirmed.

Payment of £776.30 to Remembered Trading Ltd for the war memorial was confirmed.

Payment of £5,000 to Walmer Bridge Village Hall in respect of refurbishment was confirmed.

11.CORRESPONDENCE

Garden-Scene – Is winter planting required?

It was decided to wait until Spring/Summer.

The certificate for Western Parishes in Bloom – Best Community Area will be placed in the noticeboard.

The South Ribble presentation evening for this competition on October 18th will be attended by Councillor Roper.

12.ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Gym Equipment – shortly to be finalised

Benches on Dob Lane field – Councillor Suthers to "chase"

Garden-Scene were to be asked to advise their contract price for next year in time for the November meeting.

Councillor Roper asked that in future there should be more sharing of information and consultation with all councillors. She felt that lack of communication can lead to misunderstandings.

Christmas Tree

Louise Davies at SRBC enquired whether any Christmas events could be included in their newsletter. The clerk had spoken to the Headmaster at Little Hoole Primary school who advised that the Christmas Fayre would be held on November 30th. The question of whether to pay for an additional Christmas tree then arose.

Councillor Suthers pointed out that there is already a living Christmas tree planted at Walmer Green Gardens.

A vote that was taken at that time was, after the meeting, deemed to be null and void as the question of an additional tree was not an agenda item.

Fresh Chicken Company – grass verge being parked on by delivery vehicles causing damage. A letter to be sent to the firm.

13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING - November 12th 2018