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**Minutes of Extraordinary Council Meeting held on Thursday 12th September 2024
at 7.00 pm in Fairlight Village Hall**

Present: Councillors – Ms L.Cooke (Vice- Chair), Mr S. Baker, Mr L. Miller, Mr D. Pichard, Mr G.Smith, Mr S. Stewart, Ms S Whiteman,

Apologies: Cllr M. Clarke

County and District Councillors – Mr T Grohne, Mr C. Maynard, Mr A Meir

Proper Officer/RFO - None

Members of the Public – 24

Recording of the meeting

The meeting was filmed and audio recorded by members of the Public. No Councillor objected to being filmed

Please note that in the absence of a Proper Officer, Cllr Stephen Baker took the minutes.

Also in the absence of minutes from the previous Council meeting in August the numbering of the minutes has been made to allow a continuous range of numbers for the August meeting when produced.. Numbers 24182 to 24202 have been left for this purpose.

ACTION

- 117222420** Cllr Carl Maynard opened the meeting as the Interim Chair. Following the uncontested
3 election where the due date for applicants closed the previous Friday, all candidates were duly appointed and therefore the Council is now quorate.
As a direct result, Cllr Maynard stood down and allowed the Vice Chair, Cllr Cooke to take the chair. District Cllrs Grohne and Meir also stood down following their support to make

the Council quorate. Prior to this he thanked the council and public for their forbearance.

24204 Apologies for absence (Including resolutions to accept reason for absence by Councillors)

Apologies received from Cllrs – Mr M Clarke

Resolved to accept the reason for absence being prior commitment.

24205 Code of Conduct and Disclosure of Interests

(a) To receive any disclosures by members, of personal or prejudicial interest in matters on the agenda

Cllr Stewart stated his conflict of interest relating to the planning items as a neighbour.

24206 Chairman's Report

The Vice- Chair welcomed members of the Public.

No report was offered due to the new status of the Chair.

However, notice was given that **proper elections of Chair and Vice Chair would occur at the next Council meeting following the formal 5 working days' notice provided of this action.**

24207 Public questions in respect of items on the agenda

None

24208 Minutes of meeting held on Tuesday 27th August 2024

No minutes have been received from the Proper Officer who resigned and notice period completed on Friday 6th Spetemer.

Resolved that there was significant dissatisfaction in the behaviour resulting in lack of minutes. Proposed by Cllr Baker that minutes be written from the video taken at the meeting. **Cllr Stewart volunteered to do this.**

Cllr Stewart agreed to meet with the prior PO to receive papers and accounts to the end of August.

24209 Market Garden

- a. No date for Lloyd Exley survey received. RDC Councillors to pursue.
- b. FPC response regarding the Planning application for Gabions.
- c. Noted that Cllr Baker had circulated a strategic proposal for full discussion and action at next meeting.

Resolved that RDC Cllrs pursue the survey date.

A Planning meeting specifically regarding Gabions decided for Wed 25th September, 4pm, Village Hall.

MG site paper to be reviewed at next FPC meeting.

24210 Appointment of Interim Clerk.

The situation regarding the Proper Officer/Clerk was discussed noting that there are applicants but concern expressed that there were travel and cost issues relating to applicants.

Chair stated that the Council was legal to operate without a PO/Clerk and that jobs could be carried out by Councillors.

Following discussion, it was agreed that due to a prior minuted agreement by the previous FPC, a job advert should be posted in Kent and Sussex for the vacancy. The job and person specification should be sought and discussed by all Parish Councillors Cllr Baker asked to seek out these documents. Lyn said she had been given the file from the previous FPC Chair that evening and would share with Cllrs

24211 Planning Matters.

- a. RR/2024/1398/P 16 Waites Lane. The council had no objection with exception of **request** for dark sky protection from skylights.
- b. RR/2024/1093/P 1 Broadlands. The council had no objection with exception of **request** for dark sky protection from skylights.

24212 Date of next meeting.

Tuesday 24th September 2024 at 7pm, Village Hall.

24213 Meeting closed at 7.30pm

Signed: _____
Chair

Date: