TIPTREE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING

A meeting of the Full Council took place on Monday 25th March 2019 at 7.00pm in The Meeting Room, Community Centre, Caxton Close

Present Cllrs: M Maund (Vice Chairman)

Mrs S Allen-Shepherd

C Bigg Mrs D Coe N Mattinson Mrs J Bunney J Greenwood R Smithson

Mrs B Wood

Also in attendance – Cllr D Loveland (Colchester Borough Council), one member of the public and the Clerk of the Council

728/18 Apologies for absence – There were apologies from Cllrs R Mannion, S Bays, D

Evans, D Harrington, Mrs D Webb and Mrs J Jones

729/18 Chairman's Announcements

There were no announcements to make under this item

730/18 Declarations of interest – there were no declarations of interest.

731/18 Public Questions

There were no questions from those present.

732/18 Income and Expenditure

Accounts for Payment - To authorise and make additional payments for March 2019. The Accounts for Payment at expenditure of £8117.94 were proposed for acceptance by Cllr Mrs J Bunney and seconded by Cllr C Bigg and were agreed unanimously.

The following payments in excess of £250 were made:

Payment to	Amount
Ernest Doe & Sons Ltd – various supplies and small	£668.63
equipment for the Grounds	
Holmes & Hills LLP – payment for fees expended by	£622.80
the URC relating to the memorial garden access	
Ground work UK – return of Neighbourhood Plan grant	£6352.25

733/18 Community Centre

A request had been received from Tiptree Art Club for the use of the Community Centre main hall in November/December 2019 for their 20th Anniversary Exhibition. Following discussion, it was proposed by Cllr N Mattinson and seconded by Cllr C Bigg that the request should be refused on the grounds that the Council did not wish to set a precedent in allowing free hire of the hall. There were 8 votes for and 1 abstention and the decision was carried. Following information from Cllr Mrs S Allen-Shepherd, the Clerk said that she would also inform the Club about the website.

734/18 Civic Receptions

A proposition had been put forward that the Council should consider covering the costs of the Chairman to attend civic receptions. There was discussion on the specific matter of an invitation to Wivenhoe Town Council's reception in June 2019.

It was proposed by Cllr M Maund and seconded by Cllr C Bigg that the Council will pay for both tickets, if the Chairman and another councillor attend. If the Chairman wishes to take a guest, then the Chairman will be reimbursed for the ticket but will have to pay for the guest. It was also proposed that this will be reviewed on each occasion. This was agreed unanimously.

It was proposed by Cllr M Maund and seconded by Cllr J Bunney that having regard to the confidential nature of the following business, the press and public be excluded from the meeting pursuant to Section 1 of Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960. This was agreed unanimously: The meeting was closed at 7.25pm

Signed.

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