

# LAUNTON PARISH COUNCIL

Members of the Parish Council and the Parish Clerk had been available before the start of the formal meeting from 7.00pm to meet the public. All plans and correspondence were available for viewing and comment via the website.

Minutes of the meeting held on **Thursday 8 October 2020** at 8.00pm online via Zoom as permitted in the *The Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020* (“the 2020 Regulations”) due to the COVID19 Coronavirus crisis

**Councillors Present:** Mr James Allpress, Mrs Lizzie Chisholm, Mr Mike Murphy, Mr Ed Sanders (until 10.23pm), Mrs Lesley Thompson, Mr Simon Turner (Chairman)

**In attendance:** The Clerk, Mrs Jane Olds; 3 members of the public

**Apologies:** Mr Chris Fox

**1. To receive and accept apologies for absence**

The Council accepted Councillor Fox’s apologies.

**2. Requests for Dispensations, Declarations of Interest, gifts and hospitality**

No requests or declarations were made.

**3. To facilitate public participation with regard to items on the agenda**

Three members of the public attended the meeting. Nothing was raised.

**4. Governance and Consultations**

- a. Planning for the Future** (closes 29 October with responses to NALC by 15 October) – to consider a response to the MHCLG / NALC consultation on complete reform of the planning system

The Council agreed that the consultation would have a huge impact on the way the planning system worked and that it was extremely important to make a full response. A lengthy discussion took place covering all the suggested questions. The Council **RESOLVED** to agree that following the various contributions that the Clerk would co-ordinate the response and circulate it prior to submission with NALC and MHCLG.

10.00pm: the Council **RESOLVED** to agree to extend the meeting until 10.35pm

- b. Transparency and competition: a call for evidence on data on land control** (closes 29 October with responses to NALC by 16 October) – to consider the NALC consultation

While it was understood that the consultation was necessary, the Council did not believe it had a great deal to contribute as it was felt that this was a more technical consultation. However, the Council **RESOLVED** to answer some of the questions which the Clerk would co-ordinate into a response.

**5. Date of next meeting** – Thursday 5 November 2020 online at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/76605157135> (meeting code: **766 0515 7135**) or in Launton Parish Hall if possible. It would also be possible for members of the public to dial in with a telephone.

The meeting closed at 10.35pm

**Notes on declarations of interest**

Any Member arriving after the start of the meeting is asked to declare pecuniary interests, as necessary, as soon as practicable after their arrival, even if the item in question has been considered. National rules about pecuniary interests are set out in Chapter 7 of the Localism Act 2011 and in secondary legislation made under the Act, in particular The Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012

Signed..... Dated.....