MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE REEDLEY HALLOWS PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THE 13 FREBRUARY, 2024.

PRESENT: Councillor P.V. Bates in the Chair;

 Councillors R. Korol, M. Grimshaw , and L Oddie.

 Ian Woolstencroft – Clerk; and

 Stephen Bates - Parish Lengthsman.

 89 . DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

 Members were reminded of the requirements by the Chair. There were no

 declarations of interest on this agenda.

 90 . . RECORD OF MEMBERS INTERESTS.

 All members interests were confirmed as up to date.

91. . APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

 Apologies for absence together with the reasons were received from Councillors C .

 Johnson and S Munir. .

 RESOLVED: That the apologies be accepted.

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 92 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.

 RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting held on the 12 January , 2024 , copies

 of which had previously been circulated were approved as a correct record.

 93. CLERK’S REPORT .

* Pendle Primary Schools Free Swimming Initiative 2024/ 2025.

The Clerk reported that the Parish Council had been asked by the Pendle Leisure Trust whether they would be prepared to support the Pendle Primary Schools Free Swimming Initiative in 2024/ 25 by making a grant of £1, 745 available which enable children in the Reedley Primary School to use any of the three swimming pools in Pendle free of charge during specified times during designated holiday periods . He reported that the Parish Council had made a grant available for this in 2022/23 and 2023/24.

RESOLVED: That a grant of £1,745 be made available in 2024/25 under this Scheme.

 94. FINANCE.

 RESOLVED: That the following items be approved.

* Bank Balances as at 31 January, 2024 Business Premium Account £ 4,285.82 Business Community Account £18,972.05
* Clerk’s Salary and Expenses for January , 2024 paid by SO £283.98.
* Clerk’s Tax for January , 2024 = £59.40
* Lengthsman’s Fees for January , 2024 5 hrs @ £11.82 per hr £59.10

 95. ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES.

* Parish Lengthsman’s Report on work carried out during January, 2024

was received.

 He reported that David Whittam was no longer interested in taking over from him as Parish Lengthsman at the end of the current financial year as he would not be able to do the work due to injury to his leg.

He therefore suggested that the Parish Council invite applications as soon as possible. He produced a Job Description for the post.

Furthermore he made reference to the work he has carried out to update the Footpaths Survey which had been copied to all Councillors.

 RESOLVED: (1) That the report be noted ; and

 (2) That the Clerk be requested to arrange for the job vacancy to be

 mentioned on the Website and a suitable notice along with the

 Job Description be posted on the Noticeboard.

 96 . NELSON, BRIERFIELD AND REEDLEY AREA COMMITTEE.

 There was nothing to report as Councillor Munir was not present at the meeting.

 97 . DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING .

 The Clerk reported that the next meeting was scheduled to take place on the 12

 March, 2024. However he was on holiday from the 3rd until the 13 March . He

 therefore asked that consideration be given to moving the meeting to a later date in

 March.

 The Chair reported that she would be on holiday from the 19 to 30 March. She

 suggested that the Vice Chair Councillor Johnson be asked if she would be prepared

 to Chair the meeting on a suitable date later in March once the Clerk returns from on

 holiday.

 RESOLVED: That the Clerk be asked to contact Councillor Johnson on this matter

 and arrange a suitable date for the meeting.