PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held in the Village Hall, Thursday 12th August at 7.30 pm.

<u>**Present</u>** Mr I Lamont, Chairman. Mrs I Mitchell, Vice Chairman. Mr Sheppard, Mrs Morrey, Dr Posner, Mr Ranzetta 1 member of the public.</u>

Public Forum – the member of the public did not wish to speak

Apologies had been received from Mr Thompson, Mr Wilding, Mr Chick and Mr Macro.

Declarations of Interest - none

Gas Works Tender Approval

The two references in respect of Contractor C had been received and circulated to the members, these were agreed as most satisfactory.

It was proposed by Mr Sheppard and seconded by Mrs Mitchell that having met the conditions set at the meeting on 5th August the tender from Contractor C is accepted. Carried. The Contractor will not be instructed just yet as there is a two week lead time.

The applications to Discharge Planning Conditions have yet to be granted.

Gas Works Contract Approval

The relevant sections of the Contract had been printed for signing. These were the Sale Contract, HM Land Registry TP1 First Property Transfer of part of registered title(s), HM Land Registry TR1 Second Property Transfer of whole of registered title(s), Deed of Covenant and Access Licence, with relevant plans.

The solicitors had confirmed that the Development Overage is not relevant, any planning permission relating to its use as a car park will not trigger an overage payment.

The Access Licence Plan was amended to show the full extent of the access as marked on the Easement document previously received from the solicitors, this amendment was to bring the plan in the contract into line with the Easement.

Following further discussions regarding the planning permission and EV charging points, Mrs Mitchell moved to accept the Contract. Dr Posner seconded and it was agreed. The Contract was signed.

Car Parking – leasing and cashless donation boxes

Two cashless donation boxes are on order. The electrics are ready at the Church Street car park and the installation of the railings is being held up by the donation box but this should be delivered within the next two weeks.

Sara Cameron, Corporate Manager at Babergh, is our contact in respect of leasing.

Tender for cleaning public conveniences, verbal report on Tendering process

We have a quote from a local cleaning company on a rolling two week contract (2 weeks notice on either side). Suggest we go with this for opening of Church Street but before

Prentice Street is open we will have to seek 3 tenders for the combined two location contract. Best value not necessarily lowest price. Will not need to go out to full Public Service Tender.

We must be prepared for higher costs, it has been a long time since the previous contract with idverde was reviewed, no increase for many years. The need for separate sanitary disposal system for each of the six cubicles may also raise the cost.

There will need to be emergency procedures in place, we must not rush to open and get things wrong, suggest delay opening of Church Street until after Bank Holiday, 1st September? Work is still ongoing on signage and a voluntary donation request notice.

It is intended to keep the temporary toilets at Prentice Street until the new units are opened.

The meeting closed at 8.10 pm.