**WICKHAM MARKET PARISH COUNCIL**

 **MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

**HELD ON WEDNESDY 26TH FEBRUARY 2020 AT 7:00PM IN WICKHAM MARKET**

**VILLAGE HALL, COMMITTEE ROOM**

 Present:- Cllr Dick Jenkinson (Chairman)

 Cllr Robin Cooke Cllr David Chenery

 Cllr Mike Hawes Cllr Emma Lawrence

 Cllr Alan Biddle Cllr Lisa Sanders

 Cllr Sonya Exton Cllr Ivor French

 Cllr John Horsnell

 **Welcome by the Chairman** **and to open the meeting**

Officer in attendance: Joanne Peters – Parish Clerk

There were no members of the public present

1. **To receive apologies for absence**

Apologies were accepted from Cllr Nobbs and Cllr Westover.

**2. To receive Councillors Declarations of Interests**

 None received.

 **2.1 - To consider any dispensations**

 None received.

**3. Exclusion of the Press and Public**

**RESOLVED**

That, under Section 2 of the Public Bodies (admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of item 4 below on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

**4. Freedom of Information request received**

The Council considered a Freedom of Information request received and it was

**RESOLVED**

1) that this request be refused in accordance with the exemption under Section 41 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and

2) that the Parish Council’s Protocol for meetings with landowners requires that “These meetings are to be treated as confidential and must not be discussed outside the Neighbourhood Plan Committee or Parish Council."

**5. Matters of report and items for the next Parish Council meeting**

It was agreed the proposal for a car park at Mill Lane would be an agenda item at the next Parish Council meeting as per the request from Cllr Sanders. Cllr Lawrence asked the Clerk to also include an item for the Village Hall New Build. The Chairman reported the Traffic & Parking Working Group would also be presenting their proposals and options at the next Parish Council meeting.

Cllr Biddle recommended a separate meeting should be held to discuss and consider the proposals for the Traffic & Parking Working Group.

**RESOLVED** that a separate meeting would be held to consider proposals from the Traffic & Parking Working Group. Possible dates for this meeting were 16th, 21st & 22nd April 2020.

There being no further discussion the Chairman formally closed the meeting at 8:25pm

Signed:……………………………………………. Dated:…………………….........