DRAFT Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on Tuesday 13th October 2020 Remote Meeting commenced at 19:03

1. Record of Attendance

Cllr Linda Bushell, Cllr Ryan Drion Cllr Donna Smailes, Cllr Stuart Wilkinson, Cllr Ruth Hughes, Cllr Stefan Aal, Cllr Edwin Simpson. Dispensation for Non Attendance Cllr Ollie Moat.

2. Apologies for Absence

Cllr Robert Smedley, Cllr Ollie Moat

3. Declaration of Interest

None

4. Minutes of the previous Ordinary Meeting held on Tuesday 8th September 2020

Resolved to accept the minutes as a true record, signed by Chair.

5. County Councillors Report

The report submitted by Cllr Bev Coult was read out in full by Cllr Donna Smailes.

Two queries will be dealt with under the relevant item on the agenda.

Item 8: The Old Recreation Ground – Maintenance Item 11: Esh Village Green.

6. Public Participation

Two letters which will be dealt with under relevant item on the agenda.

Item14: Sir Bobby Robson Park Update on opening hours.

No other Correspondence was received.

7. Planning Applications Received

Resolved to support change of use application from Devilstone Brewery.

8. The Old Recreation Ground - Maintenance.

Resolved to contact landscaper with regards to maintenance work required. Cllr Bev Coult's request will be put on agenda for next appropriate meeting.

9. Charities Commission Update - Cllr Stefan Aal

Cllr Stefan Aal has contacted the Charities Commission and begun the process of bringing the dormant account back to life. Account has been dormant since 2016.

10. Armed Forces Covenant

Resolved that Esh Parish Council would sign up to the Covenant.

11. Esh Village Green

Resolved to write to both Cllr Bev Coult and the School Headmistress regarding this matter.

12. Quote Received for Miners Institute Flooring

Resolved to accept quote. Contact to be made with the company on the colour of the flooring.

13. Solicitors Update

Resolved to accept on the recommendation of Durham County Council, Wellers Law Group to act on our behalf.

14. Sir Bobby Robson Park - Update on Opening Hours

Letters from Members of the Public read out withholding Personal Details.

Resolved to open the park on Saturday 17th / Sunday 18th October 2020, between the hours of 9am and 4pm. Durham County Council to be contacted with regards to the Street Wardens participation in keeping the park open. Requests for local volunteers will be made.

15. Bank Reconciliation/ Payments to be made.

The Council noted the bank statements, approved payments as listed and **resolved** to arrange payments

Date and Time of next Ordinary Remote Meeting-Tuesday 10th November 2020