

**Minutes of an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Longford Parish Council held on Tuesday 6th
November 2018 at the Longford Village Hall commencing at 7.30pm.**

Present.Cllrs. A. Williams (Chair) K. Doherty (minute taker); E. Doherty; P. Gough; L. Gough; M. Hamblett
M. Williams. T.B.C.

1. Apologies for Absence.

K.Bates

2. Regarding Recruitment of a New Clerk

KD and M.H gave an overview of the recruitment process that had taken place. They recommended that Ms J. Shirley be appointed having outlined her qualifications, commented on her experience and read the references that had been supplied.

3. Appointment of new Clerk

K.D proposed that Ms Shirley be appointed as new clerk/ RFO to Longford Parish Council. Seconded by M.H and agreed unanimously. **Agreed**

It was further agreed that her appointment commence on 1st December 2018 to allow for a transition period with current clerk and to get to know other Councillors and the Parish **Agreed**

Also agreed was that Parish Council should purchase the necessary equipment to enable Ms Shirley to carry out her role e.g. laptop, mobile 'phone, stationary, printer. **Agreed**

There followed some discussion about the purchase of a token of thanks for the Clerk's years of service and whether P.C could make the purchase. The view was that it could. Agreed a gift token for a meal for Mr and Mrs Ounsworth and a bouquet of flowers for Mrs Ounsworth. **Agreed**

Action A.W and K.D

4. To Discuss and respond to proposals from the Village Hall Committee for a Joint Consultation Village Hall Committee/ Parish Council

Councillors advised they had not received this paper in advance of the meeting. Councillor Doherty outlined the proposals and explained why she felt this to be a positive and necessary course of action. Namely, the consultation exercises would be carried out by organisations independent of the Parish and Village Hall. It would clarify what residents wanted of the Village Hall which would inform improvements to/ extension of the hall. Additionally it would inform what residents wanted in the Parish thus informing a Parish Plan and in turn help with budget setting and setting of the precept. There was discussion about the proposal. A.W mentioned that people had been saying to him they would like to see the car boot sales resurrected. K.D advised if this was something people felt strongly about, the consultation would hopefully highlight this and other issues that were important to them. L.G was not sure a further consultation was necessary as one had been carried out last year. K.D advised that this would be a more in depth one and all in the parish would have the opportunity to contribute in one way or another. She proposed that the Parish Council accept the proposals outlined and E.D seconded this and it was agreed unanimously.

Agreed

5. To Appoint a Deputy Parish Council Representative to the Village Hall Committee

In the absence of any other volunteers K.D **agreed** to act as Deputy and to advise Village Hall to this effect.

Action K.D

6. To Agree Three Parish Council Representatives to the Joint Consultation Working Group

In the absence of any other volunteers E.D; M.H and K.D agreed to join the working group. K.D to inform the Village Hall Committee.

Action K.D

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.30p.m

A. Williams

Chair