STOKE ST GREGORY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 25th November 2019 in the Williams Hall

Present Graham Gleed (Chairman). Sara Sollis (Vice Chairman), Ann Finn, Heather Venn, Janice Pearce, David House, Peter House, John Hembrow

In Attendance Tony McKenzie and 2 members of the public

- 1. Apologies for absence Nick Sloan
- 2. Declarations of Interests and dispensations GG, SS, DH, HV declared an interest in item
- 3 Approval for proposed funding for the "Shop in a box" in support of HOTV

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GG outlined that the purchase of the Royal Oak would not now take place until the new year and therefore for continuity purposes it was crucial to the long-term success of the project that an alternative solution was needed. After consulting with the Plunkett Foundation it was found that a container fitted out as a shop was available immediately from a village in Hampshire and could be delivered to the village in early December.

He also advised that the current owners of the shop have agreed to run this temporary shop until 31.03.2020 and will also during this period train volunteers that will be needed to run the shop in the future.

HV asked for clarification on discussions with the shop owners and GG advised that a meeting was taking place with them on 27.11.19.

GG then circulated a spread sheet (as attached) outlining the costs that would be involved and this was followed by a discussion of the costs.

At the end of the discussion GG agreed to amend the spread sheet to clarify the rental costs and circulate the amended spread sheet with the minutes.

GG then closed the meeting to allow questions from the public

1 member of the public asked if there were any alternatives. GG replied there were none without further investigations which could not happen within the very short time frame Available.

GG then reopened the meeting

Following discussion, it was proposed by DH, seconded by JP and agreed by all that £5000 would be set aside by the Parish Council to cover the set-up expenses and that everyone involved should be notified that all invoices must be addressed to and sent to the Parish Council for payment.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 8.20pm