LISKEARD TOWN COUNCIL

AT A MEETING of the **COMMUNICATIONS AND ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE** held remotely at 7.30 pm on Tuesday 13 October 2020 there were present:

Committee: Councillors Simon Cassidy (in the chair), David Ambler, Rachel Brooks, Sandra Mitchell and Christina Whitty

Also in attendance: Councillor Sally Hawken

Deputy Town Clerk: Yvette Hayward

194/20 Apologies

Councillors Ian Barlow and Anna Clarke

195/20 Declarations of Interest Registerable or Non-Registerable

Councillor Brooks – unpaid director of LAMB CIC.

In accordance with section 8 of the Town Council Dispensation Policy the Deputy Town Clerk granted a dispensation for Councillor Brooks to take part in the relevant discussion and vote during this meeting only, to prevent the meeting from becoming inquorate and enable the business to be transacted, as a decision was required before another meeting could be convened.

196/20 Public Participation

None

197/20 Printed Communications with the Community

a) To consider whether another printed door to door communication is needed before the end of the year (including a proposal to contribute £1,000 to an issue of Lyskerrys community magazine)

Councillor Cassidy proposed, Councillor Brooks seconded, and the Committee unanimously **RESOLVED** to contribute £1,000 to an issue of Lyskerrys to be produced and distributed before Christmas.

b) To consider how we communicate with the community in the future

Councillor Cassidy proposed, Councillor Ambler seconded, and the Committee **RESOLVED** to **DEFER** the decision until January, and in the meantime undertake a survey on how people want to communicate and seek feedback on readership of the Lyskerrys magazine.

198/20 Budget Review

a) To review the 2020/21 budget and reserves and consider where cost savings can be made to address the Council shortfall due to Covid-19

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Cost savings of approximately £9,648 were identified within the 2020/21 budget to assist with meeting the overall Council shortfall. It was agreed that earmarked reserves of £13,576 could be returned to the general reserve for other projects.

b) To draft a budget for 2021/22

A reduced draft budget for 2021/22 was produced, with budget lines for events and heritage projects reduced, while it was agreed it was important to retain provision for cycle parking/paths as work in this area was progressing.

199/20 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Communications and Engagement Committee will be on Tuesday 10 November 2020 at 7.30 pm.