

## Minutes of Communications Committee held by Zoom 25 November 2020

**Present: Cllrs:** S. Al-Hamdani (Chair)  
M. Woodvine  
L. Lancaster  
L. Dawson  
K. Dawson

### **328. Apologies for Absence**

None

### **329. Declarations of Interest**

None

### **330. Minutes of meeting 16 October 2020**

Agreed as true record.

### **331. No matters arising**

### **332. Media and Social Media use for Councillors**

Cllr. K. Dawson asked a question regarding the compliance with GDPR following the UK's exit from Europe. Cllr. Al-Hamdani said that it was the intent that anything currently in law will transfer. Cllr. Al-Hamdani suggested that councillors may need a reminder of how they should speak to the press and that there was a distinction between representing Saddleworth as a parish councillor and not as a member of a political party. All members agreed that the Social Media and Electronic Comms to be recirculated to all parish councillors. With an introduction written by Cllr. Lancaster to include reference to sharing and retweeting post on social media.

### **333. GDPR.**

This item was prompted by an item put forward from full council by Cllr. Knotts. It was agreed that Cllr. Al-Hamdani would email Cllr. Knotts and ask if he had had any specific concerns as he was confident that the measures already in place were adequate and met GDPR regulations.

### **334. Certificates.**

Responses for nominations had come from several wards, Grotton, Dobcross, Scouthead and Uppermill. Cllrs agreed to reach out to Village Associations to chase nominations As follows: Cllrs L and K Dawson – Denshaw, Cllr. Lancaster Delph and Uppermill, Cllr. Woodvine Greenfield and Grasscroft and Cllr. Al-Hamdani, Lydgate.

Cllr. Hamdani proposed that he would circulate a draft version of the certificate to member-agreed.

### **335. 'Shop Local' campaign,**

The village breakdown for businesses to receive boxes was:

- Denshaw	1/2
- Delph	3/4
- Uppermill	4
- Greenfield	3/4
- Grasscroft & Lydgate	1
- Scouthead & Austerlands	2
- Dobcross	2
- Diggle	2
- Grotton	2
- Springhead	2

It was agreed that the design for the boxes would be agreed outside the meeting that certificates would be presented before Christmas and the 'Shop 'Local ' Campaign would begin in the New Year.

### **336. Cornerstones Contract.**

Cllr. S. Al-Hamdani proposed that he draft a new proposal for a new supplier.

Agreed.

### **337. Newsletter.**

All minutes and press releases from the previous month should be provided to Bev. Osbourne at the start of each month, who then provides copy for the newsletter published on the website. This is approved by the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Communications Committee, as well as the Chair of the Parish Council.

This is then provided to Saddleworth Monthly and Independent for publication. A written confirmation of the process is to be provided to the Clerk and members of the Communications Committee.

### **338. AOB**

Cllr. Dawson asked if condolences had been sent to the family of Cllr. Heffernan whose wife had recently passed away. Cllr. S. Al-Hamdani said that he had written a press release, and would check with Cllr. Beeley.

**Date of next meetings:**

**6 January 2021 (Additional meeting)**

**10 March 2021**

**At 19.00 hrs.**