THE MINUTES OF LYNG PARISH COUNCIL EXTRAORDINARY MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 10th APRIL 2024 STARTING AT 7.10PM IN THE VILLAGE HALL.

Present: Cllr Steve Davies (Chair), Cllr Tom Gittins, Cllr Jason King, Cllr Kirsty King, Cllr Steve Wright and Cllr Stuart Drabble

Parish Clerk - Jo Boxall and 0 members of the public

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

No apologies for absence were received as all Councillors were in attendance.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST & REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

No declarations of interest or requests for dispensation were received.

3. TO RECEIVE UPDATE AND CONSIDER / APPROVE FURTHER ACTION (INCLUDING GRANT APPLICATION) FOR THE MONKEY CLIMBING WALL

Cllr Wright gave an update following enquiries made and confirmed that the Council would only need to pay VAT (which could be reclaimed) and obtain grant funding for the climbing wall. Maintenance would be low as the unit came with a 15 year guarantee. Other Councils had provided positive feedback about the company / equipment. Concerns were raised that this was a reactive not proactive idea and that this could impact on future funding applications. There was concern about graffiti but it was hoped that CCTV nearby would deter vandalism. The grant application was circulated for consideration and it was agreed to amend the wording to better reflect the situation. It was agreed to site the unit on the recreation ground, next to the car park. Following discussion it was unanimously **AGREED** that the Clerk would apply for lottery funding on behalf of the Council (following approval of the draft application) in respect of the monkey climbing wall as proposed by Cllr Wright, seconded by Cllr Gittins.

4. TO CLOSE THE MEETING

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 19.30pm