Melverley Parish Council

Chairman: Mrs. S. Herbert-Jones Tel: 01691 682673

<u>The Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Melverley Parish Council</u> <u>The Village Hall, Melverley, Wednesday 4th September 2019 at 8.00pm</u>

Present: Cllr. Sally Herbert-Jones (SJH), Cllr. Cath Jones (CJ), Cllr. Mr. Roger Jones, RJ Also Present: Dr Anthony Bater (Clerk, AJB), 3 members of public Absent: Cllr. Rosie Harding

- 19.31 OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF PUBLIC TO SPEAK No members of the Public present wished to speak
- 19.32 APOLOGIES No apologies were received
- 19.33 DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS All members present initialled the register declaring no pecuniary interests in the business of the meeting
- 19.34 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING The minutes of the meeting on 3rd July 2019 were confirmed as a true record and signed as such by the chairman
- 19.35 CO-OPTION OF ADDITIONAL COUNCILLOR CJ proposed that Mr Mark Edwards (ME) be co-opted to fill the vacancy. RJ seconded this. The meeting resolved to accept Mr Edwards candidacy. ME was welcomed to the council.
- 19.36 SHORT LISTING APPLICANTS FOR POSITION OF CLERK (Item discussed at end of meeting after members of public invited to leave) After discussion of applications forms, the meeting resolved to interview all five applicants. Arrangements for the interviews were decided as were a set of interview questions.
- 19.37 STATUS REPORT ON THE DEFIBRILLATOR PROJECT The clerk reported that after a donation from Karen and Martin Davies, the fund now stood at £410. SJH reported that other fundraising projects are being planned
- 19.38 THE PURCHASE OF TRAFFIC SAFETY MIRRORS The clerk was instructed to obtain quotes for mirrors and poles in a range of prices; to be discussed at next meeting. RJ will discuss siting a pole on Bryan and Fran Bebb's verge. ME agreed that he would arrange the installation of the poles.
- 19.39 CONCERNS FROM RESIDENTS ABOUT THE LORRIES COMING THROUGH THE VILLAGE Quarry lorries are the main issue, and the speed they are going. Meeting resolved to ask Shropshire Council if it is possible to have a weight restriction through the village and to write to the Criggion Quarry to ask if they will instruct drivers to avoid using the road through the village if possible.
- 19.40 To discuss reports of the increase in hostilities between the residents of 'The Haven' and villagers Incidents logged with police. Verbal abuse. Letter to frank whitley – what do they intend doing about it?
- 19.41 To discuss the dilapidated state of the two parish council noticeboards
 - Noticeboards are very old (>20 years). Consensus was that wooden boards are more in keeping. SJH will research having some made.
- 19.42 To discuss potential planning alterations to Waders Cottage
- Applying to an agricultural tie on the house. Current owner can neither sell or occupy it.
- Owner called SJH to inform her we would
- 19.43 Finance
 - a. To receive and note the Bank Account Reconciliation
 - b. To approve and sign cheques in payment of the following
 - i. Clerk's salary
- 19.44 To receive external reports none present or received
 - a. Shropshire Council
 - b. Police
 - c. Local Area Committee next meeting next thursday
- 19.45 To receive the Clerk's report
- 19.46 Any other business

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Chairman: Mrs. S. Herbert-Jones Tel: 01691 682673 RH attended a meeting about Rodney's Pillar. She will report to meeting Telescope entry wrong send correction, also submit a byrief report on the council meeting

19.47 To confirm the date of next meeting provisionally set for 6th November 2019

Meeting closed at 9:30

Dr. A.J. Bater Clerk to Melverley P.C.

Dated: 28th August 2019