

WHEATHILL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held in Cleobury North Village Hall on Monday 18 September 2017 commencing at 7.00 pm

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| Present | Parish Councillors | Isabel Barnard Chair Joe Watton Stephen Howells |
| | Clerk to the Council | Derick Bromley |
| | In Attendance Parishioners | Andrew Barnard Sue Crichton |

1 **Apologies**

Apology was received from Lucy Howells (ill health).

2 **Pecuniary Interests**

Councillors were reminded of their obligation to declare a pecuniary interest they may have with regard to **any** item on the Agenda

3 **Public Open Session**

Sur Crichton publicly thanked Will and Tina Ranson (who are leaving the Parish) for all their hard and dedicated work running the Footpath Group. A gift was handed to Joe Watton to celebrate the 'new arrival'.

4 **Approval of Minutes of last meeting**

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 31 July 2017 were approved.

5 **Matters Arising from Minutes**

There were no matters arising from the Minutes

6 **Local News**

As recorded above Will and Tina Ranson are leaving the village for pastures new.

7 **Future Social Events**

There will be further discussions sometime in the future about events to plan for 2018. Next year will commemorate the end of WW1.

8 **Report by Unitary Councillor(s)**

None in attendance, Isabel Barnard will write/contact them

9 **Update on Speeding Campaign**

Joe Watton commented that at Stoke St Milborough there were signs warning of 'Cows Crossing' for a Farm which spans both sides of the B4364. These are publicly funded. We are getting no response from Glyn Shaw. Do we need to reform the Speeding Committee?

Sue Crichton referred to the report by Gwilym Butler at the last meeting as recorded in Minute 9 (i). Isabel Barnard will investigate what Gwilym proposed especially with reference to the signs planned by Glyn Shaw and Alice Dilly.

10 **Lengthsman Scheme**

The Clerk reported the Grant award revised to £2,262.96 has now been received. The Lengthsman is Mark Steele who was unable to attend the meeting. We are assured his Insurance cover for these proposed works is in order. We need to see sight of his insurance policy. Isabel Barnard has been to see him and highlighted his regular duties. For example he will pick up litter as and when necessary. More work is usually done in the winter months with cutting back vegetation in spring and summer. He will also attend to ditches when needed. We need a report of what he has done to date preferably with photographs. We will invite him to attend the next meeting.

11 **Map of Councillors responsibilities.**

The Clerk has the map but unfortunately it was not brought to the Meeting. It will be on the Agenda for the next Meeting. The division of the areas of responsibility will be as before with just a change of personnel.

12 **Appointment of Data Protection Officer-New Regulations 2018**

Derick Bromley was appointed as Data Protection Officer.

13 **Correspondence**

There was no correspondence to bring to the attention of the Meeting.

14 **Planning**

There were no Planning Applications to consider this month.

15 **Finance**

The Meeting discussed the following;

- 1) The Bank Balance as at 4 August 2017 £13,096.84
- 2) The Accounts year to date were considered.
- 3) Clerks salary/disbursements for the 3 months to 29 September 2017 in the sum of £213.44 (net of income tax) was sanctioned for payment
- 4) Bank Mandate forms need to be signed and submitted to Lloyds Bank Ludlow. There will be 3 signatories and cheques can be signed by any two.
- 5) Payment to Farlow Parish Council for shared services in the sum of £17.90 was sanctioned for payment.
- 6) The Internal audit fee invoice submitted by Silvington Consultancy in the sum of £50 was agreed for payment.
- 7) Payment of £76 to Footpath Group for expenses was agreed
- 8) Payment to Isabel Barnard for her expenditure (£50) was agreed.

Isabel Barnard addressed the Meeting saying in future all emails to outside bodies' etcetera should be through the Chair and she would circulate to the Councillors.

16 **Items to be put on Agenda for next Meeting**

- Parish Social Events
- Map of Councillors Area
- Speeding through Village
- Bank Mandate Forms
- Community use of Computer

17 **Date of Next Meeting**

The next Meeting is on Monday 27 November 2017 commencing at 7.00pm in Cleobury North Village Hall.

The Meeting closed c8.20 pm.