

MISERDEN PARISH COUNCIL

The Minutes of the meeting of **Miserden Parish Council** held on **Thursday 26th May 2016**

- 05.16.01 **Present** : Councillors : Martin Ractliffe (Chair), Stephen Pritchard, Gideon Duberley, Russ Coles-Jones
Attending : Bob Reade, Sally Ware
- 05.16.02 **Apologies** received : Cllr Jo Tait, Julie Job, Nigel Cooper
- 05.16.03 **Declarations of Interest** :- None
- 05.16.04 **Minutes** of the meeting held on 28th April 2016 were approved and signed as correct by the Chair.
- 05.16.05 **Matters Arising** - None
- 05.16.06 **Clerk's Report.**
The Clerk reported that the next Cluster Group Meeting would be held on 27th July. The Police and Crime Commissioner would be addressing a meeting of Parish council on 8th June.
The Neighbourhood Warden had submitted a report on her activities.
- 05.16.07 **Planning** :- Planning application S.16/0957/HHOLD in respect of Twin Gables, Whitway was discussed. It was resolved to support the application.
- 05.16.08 **Village Defibrillators**
A number of Whiteway residents had expressed interest in setting up a local network along the lines of the VETS scheme sponsored by the Community Heartbeat Trust. It was resolved to support the request and the Clerk was asked to liaise with the residents to set up the scheme.
- 05.16.09 **Bushey Beeches parking.**
Stroud District Council has apparently granted permission to allow parking within the curtilage of 2 Bushey Beeches . The clerk was asked to draft a letter to SDC regarding funding .
- 05.16.10 **Camp notice board.**
Quotations had been received for new notice boards for Camp and Whiteway. The prices were considered high and the Chairman will seek further quotations.
- 05.16.11 **Possible Co-option**
Advice has been sought from SDC on the maximum number of Councillors allowable for the Parish. The maximum appears to eight. Increasing the number from the present level of five would require the permission of SDC which might be problematic. The Clerk was asked to contact SDC requesting an increase in numbers to seven.
- 05.16.12 **Accounts**
The following cheques were signed :- HMRC £46.95, Parish Council Websites £480.00, M. G. Ractliffe £85.00.

05.16.13 **Financial Position**

The clerk provided a statement showing funds in hand of £ 18183.73.

05.16.14 **Web Site**

The Clerk gave an update on the new web site which is now completed in draft form. Biographies were awaited from three Cllrs.

05.16.15 **Wildlife survey.**

Cllr Pritchard reported that work being carried out by the Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust could be extended to the Miserden Estate which would provide the survey information.

05.16.16 **Dog Fouling**

Complaints had been received about dog fouling near the entrance to the park. It was agreed that the Chairman should contact the neighbourhood warden to seek advice on how it might be tackled.

05.16.17 **Bus Services**

Sally Ware explained the various services that operated in the Parish and expressed concern that the low level of usage could result in their partial withdrawal. The Clerk was asked to contact the operator, Cotswold Green, to establish whether any decisions had been made on the future of the services.

04.16.18 **Highways**

Notification had been received of a temporary road closure from Whiteway to Daneway Hill to enable surface dressing to take place.

Amey Gloucestershire had requested details for winter maintenance – these were unchanged from last year.

04.16.19 **Items for Agenda – next meeting**

- Bushey Beeches parking
- Wildlife survey
- Camp Notice Board
- Councillor numbers
- Litter
- Dog Fouling
- Bus Services

04.16.20 **Date of next meeting**

Thursday 23rd June 2016 in the library at Miserden Village Hall

The meeting concluded at 9.15pm