

MISERDEN PARISH COUNCIL

The Minutes of the meeting of **Miserden Parish Council** held on **Thursday 28th July 2016**

07.16.01 **Present** : Councillors : Martin Ractliffe (Chair), Russ Coles-Jones (Vice Chair) Stephen Pritchard, Gideon Duberley, Jo Tait
Attending : Bob Reade, Julie Job, Sally Ware, Ann White & Lana Curtis (representing Miserden Parish Community Library)

07.16.02 **Apologies** received : Nigel Cooper

07.16.03 **Declarations of Interest** :- None

07.16.04 **Minutes** of the meeting held on 23rd June 2016 were approved and signed as correct by the Chair.

07.16.05 **Matters Arising** - None

07.16.06 **Clerk's Report.**

Cllr Job reported that leaflets explaining the new waste collection arrangements, due to start in November, would soon be circulated to all residents.

Councillor Bullingham had submitted a report on Glos C.C. highways matters.

The Clerk reported that nominations were being sought for membership of the Cotswold Conservation Board. Cllr Pritchard expressed an interest and would submit an application. SDC had requested completion of election expenses returns.

07.16.07 **Library Grant Funding**

Ann White submitted a grant application for the Miserden Parish Community Library requesting £822.62. Details of the expenditure were explained together with an update on the progress with the library and proposed fundraising activities. The Chairman thanked Ann for the hard work involved in the creation of the new library and the successful opening events.

Cllrs requested sight of the MPCL's constitution and accounts which Ann undertook to provide.

It was resolved that a grant of £822.62 be made to MPCL using powers under the LG(Misc Provs) Act 1976.

07.16.08 **Planning** :- Cllr Pritchard had spoken with Mr & Mrs Baxter concerning the planning situation in respect of the field shelter at Camp Farm. Photographs of the shelter were provided . Cllr Job undertook to raise the matter with SDC planners and asked that the photographs be forwarded to Cllr Nigel Cooper.

07.16.09 **V.E.T.S.**

The Clerk reported on a productive meeting with Cllr Jo Tait and Yvonne Brown concerning formalising a VETS arrangement for Whiteway residents. Insurance arrangements in respect of the defibrillators had also been clarified and insurers had confirmed that cover was in place for theft where the cabinets had not been forced.

It was resolved that the Parish Council conclude arrangements with the Community Heartbeat Trust to set up a VETS scheme for Whiteway.

07.16.10 **Whiteway Colony Hall.**

Jo Tait informed the meeting that there was nothing further to report at present.

07.16.11 Bushey Beeches parking.

SDC had responded to the letter indicating that there was no funding available to assist in the provision of parking in the garden of 2 Bushey Beeches. Cllr Pritchard undertook to ask the tenant to make a formal request for assistance and also to seek a quotation for the work from the contractor on the adjacent site.

07.16.12 Camp and Whiteway notice boards.

Cllr Coles-Jones had asked Mr Brunsdon to construct the new notice boards which should be ready in about two weeks.

07.16.13 Accounts

The following cheques were signed :- HMRC £46.95, SLCC £77.00, Miserden Parish Community Library £822.62.

07.16.14 Financial Position

The clerk provided a statement showing funds in hand of £ 16842.84

07.16.15 Web Site

The Clerk gave an update on the new web site which is now completed in draft form. Biographies and photographs of Cllrs had now been received. It was agreed that the competition for the web-site photograph should be judged in August. To date only three photographs has been submitted.

07.16.16 Wildlife survey.

Cllr Pritchard undertook to speak to Dr Colin Studholme to establish whether an annotated version of the Phase 1 survey already carried out by the GWT could be made available to the Parish Council .

07.16.17 Litter

The Chairman provided photographs of the litter problem near Bunnage Farm which seems to originate from a holiday let. Cllr Job agreed to contact the Neighbourhood Warden to try to deal with the problem.

07.16.18 Pot holes – Foston’s Ash.

These had now been dealt with.

07.16.19 Noise nuisance

The Chairman and Cllr Duberley reported on complaints, received from a small number of residents, concerning loud music at the cricket event. (The music went on until about 2am)

The Chairman had visited the event and had requested organisers to try to moderate the noise. Cllr Pritchard suggested that the complaints be collated and passed to SDC environmental health .

07.16.20 Bus Services

Two letters had been sent to Cotswold Green regarding the future of local services. A reply is still awaited. The Clerk was asked to forward the letters to Cllr Bullingham so that he can draw the matter to the attention of the relevant officer at Glos C. C.

07.16.21 Items for Agenda – next meeting

- Bushey Beeches parking
- Wildlife survey
- Bus Services
- Dog Bins

07.16.22 **Date of next meeting**

Thursday 22nd September 2016 at Miserden Village Hall

The meeting concluded at 9.45pm