

MISERDEN PARISH COUNCIL

The Minutes of the meeting of **Miserden Parish Council** held on **Thursday 22nd September 2016**

- 09.16.01 **Present** : Councillors : Martin Ractliffe (Chair), Russ Coles-Jones (Vice Chair) , Gideon Duberley, Jo Tait
Attending : Bob Reade, Julie Job, Sally Ware, Sandra Mogg
- 09.16.02 **Apologies** received : Cllrs Stephen Pritchard and Nigel Cooper
- 09.16.03 **Declarations of Interest** :- None
- 09.16.04 **Minutes** of the meeting held on 28th July 2016 were approved and signed as correct by the Chair.
- 09.16.05 **Matters Arising** - None
- 09.16.06 **Clerk's Report.**
Councillor Bullingham had submitted a report on Glos C.C. highways matters.
SDC had notified a discharge of a planning condition (staircase) at Camp stables.
The Cotswolds Conservation Board had provided a ballot paper for the appointment of a replacement Parish member. It was resolved that Miserden's vote be awarded to Stephen Pritchard.
SDC had advised that new waste bins would be delivered to the Parish on 17th October.
Stroud and District Motor Club had advised that the Bullbanks Road would be used for an event on 16th October.
Recent flooding in Miserden had lead to requests for additional sandbags. The Clerk was asked to contact Glos CC for a further supply.
Authority was given for the Clerk to attend an SLCC training course at a cost of £82.80.
Glos CC would be hosting a highways matters event at Ebley Mill on 18th October at 7pm.
- 09.16.07 **Library**
The Library Committee had, as requested, submitted a copy of the Constitution and an up to date financial statement. The Clark will circulate these documents to members for their observations.
- 09.16.08 **Planning** :-
Cllr Job had spoken with SDC planners re the field shelter at Camp. It was decided that no further action was necessary.
The Clerk was asked to contact SDC about the planning position in respect of works to a barn at Honeycombe Manor.
- 09.16.09 **V.E.T.S.**
The Clerk reported that the Whiteway VETS scheme was now agreed with CHT. Letters had been drafted to send to the VETS volunteers and the community as a whole. The Parish Council was asked to approve the drafts before they were sent. The Clerk and Chairman undertook to review the documents.
The Clerk had contacted CHT to obtain dates for a further training course. These will be circulated when received
- 09.16.10 **Bushey Beeches parking.**
The Council awaits a letter from the resident of x Bushey Beeches in respect of the funding of curtilage parking.

09.16.11 **Camp and Whiteway notice boards.**

Cllr Coles-Jones had reminded Mr Brunsdon about the new notice boards which should be ready soon.

09.16.12 **Risk Review and Financial Position**

The Clerk provided a risk management assessment for the PC which was discussed and agreed.

The Clerk provided a statement showing funds in hand of £ 19776.82.

Discussion took place on the merits of holding a petty cash float to meet small incidental expenses. It was resolved that a float of £50.00 be approved to be maintained by the Clerk and that Financial Regulation 6.5 be amended accordingly.

The Clerk reminded the meeting that of the budget of £9658.00 for Parish Improvements, only £1400.00 has yet been committed. Members undertook to give thought to possible new projects.

09.16.13 **Accounts**

The following cheques were signed :- CHT £54.00; in2print £431.00; SLSS £82.80; SDC £200.00; Petty Cash £50.00.

09.16.14 **Graffiti**

The Chairman drew attention to a defacement of Camp bus shelter. Cllr Duberley agreed to source a suitable agent to remove the graffiti.

09.16.15 **Web Site**

The Clerk gave an update on the new web site which is now substantially completed in draft form.

Seven photographs had been submitted for the frontispiece of the website. A photograph showing the seat and tree in the village was selected. It was resolved that a book token be presented to the winning entry.

09.16.16 **Wildlife survey.**

A report is awaited from Cllr Pritchard

09.16.17 **Litter Bins**

It was agreed that two existing litter bins should be replaced and two new bins be situated in appropriate locations. Cllr Duberley undertook to discuss with the Estate the nature and location of the bins.

09.16.18 **Speeding in Parish**

Discussion took place on various areas of concern including the cross roads at Wishanger Lane where an accident had recently taken place. The Clerk was asked to contact Cllr Bullingham to discuss options that might be available to improve safety.

09.16.19 **Bus Services**

The Clerk had forwarded the Cotswold Green letters to Cllr Bullingham so that he can draw the matter to the attention of the relevant officer at Glos C.C. As yet no reply had been received. A reduced revised timetable was now in place.

09.16.20 **Items for Agenda – next meeting**

- Bushey Beeches parking
- Wildlife survey
- Bus Services

- Litter Bins

09.16.21 **Date of next meeting**

Thursday 27th October 2016 at Miserden Village Hall

The meeting concluded at 9.30pm