

MISERDEN PARISH COUNCIL

The Minutes of the meeting of **Miserden Parish Council** held on **Thursday 23rd February 2017**

02.17.01 **Present** : Councillors : Martin Ractliffe (Chair), Russ Coles-Jones (Vice Chair) , Gideon Duberley, Jo Tait, Steve Pritchard

Attending : Bob Reade (Clerk), Sally Ware, Alan Mossman.

02.17.02 **Apologies** received : Cllrs Julie Job & Nigel Cooper.

02.17.03 **Declarations of Interest** :- None

02.17.04 **Minutes** of the meeting held on 26th January 2016 were approved and signed as correct by the Chair.

02.17.05 **Planning** :- Application S.17/0280/HHOLD – a single storey double garage at The Brambles, Whiteway.
It was resolved that the application be supported.

02.17.06 **Gigaclear – complaints.**

Details of how to contact Gigaclear had been be circulated to complainants.
It was noted that no response had been received from the County Council. The Clerk was asked to send a copy of the e-mail to Cllr Bullingham.

02.17.07 **Clerk's Report.**

The neighbourhood warden had submitted a report on her activities which included a foot patrol in the Parish during January.

The Library Committee had sent a note thanking the Parish Council for the Donation of £348.

Discussion took place on a offer by Mr Pynn to paint the new notice board at Camp. The Clerk reported that both of the new notice boards were difficult to open because the doors needed easing. Painting would probably exacerbate the problem and it was felt that treating the hard wood would be more beneficial.

Cllr Coles-Jones agreed to contact Mr Brunsdon to arrange easing of the doors and the Clerk was asked to respond to Mr Pynn.

02.17.08 **Bushey Beeches parking.**

Cllr Pritchard reported that the RDA continued to enquire whether a long term solution to the parking issues was being pursued. The Chairman reminded the meeting of the steps taken by the Parish Council :- arranging a meeting of all interested parties; encouraging the provision of private parking by Stroud District Council; suggesting the extension of the layby adjacent to the stables. It was noted that the Parish had very limited powers to fund parking provision and these did not extend to supporting private individuals.

The Clerk was asked to draft and circulate a proposed letter to the RDA setting out the Parish Council's position and recommendations.

02.17.09 Financial Position & Budget 2017/18

The Clerk circulated a statement showing funds in hand of £12738.47.

02.17.10 Accounts

The following cheques were signed :- Stroud Valley's Project £50.00; MSFA £3400.00

02.17.11 Web Site

MR continues to compile information from local businesses to go on the directory and will forward this for adding.

It was suggested that the Estate and the Nursery be invited to contribute to the site.

02.17.12 Traffic Speeding Camp and Miserden.

Carol Novoth had been contacted on how to arrange for a speed survey in both locations, (around the school area for Miserden).

CLlr Pritchard had obtained leaflets from GAPTC & Glos C.C. on the role of local communities in tackling speeding. It is clear that hard evidence must be provided and also that there is very limited funding available.

CLlr Pritchard agreed to circulate the information for discussion at the next meeting.

02.17.13 Road Cleaning

An area of road opposite the church had become muddy and slippery and the County Council had been asked to send the road cleaner. CLlr Duberley agreed to ask the Estate to deal with the overhanging vegetation which would hamper the road cleaner.

02.17.14 Wildlife Survey

GCER had agreed to undertake Phase 1 of the project (parish mapping) and a response is awaited.

02.17.15 Litter and Salt Bins

CLlr Duberley had agreed with the Estate the location and type of a litter bin at the entrance to the Park and it was resolved that a new bin be ordered.

Discussions are continuing with the estate on the type and location of salt bins.

02.17.16 Annual Assembly Meeting

A preliminary discussion took place on the venue and possible content of the Annual Meeting.

02.17.17 Items for Agenda – next meeting

- Bushey Beeches
- Speeding
- Wildlife survey
- Salt Bins
- Website update
- Annual Meeting

02.17.18 Date of next meeting

Thursday 23rd March 2017 at Miserden Village Hall

The meeting concluded at 9.15 pm