**Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting, held remotely at 7:30pm**

**Monday 19th April 2021.**

**Councillors in attendance:** Jo Butler (JB**),** Ian Pulley (IP), Alex Baker (AB), Victoria Coward (VC), Ros Siddall (RS), Derek Heiron (DH), Nicky Wylie (NW) CE.

**Parish Clerk:** Janet Gamage (JG)

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| **1.** | **Apologies for Absence**  Rachel Blood, Jos Saunders (Cheshire East) |  |
| **2.** | **Declarations of Interest**  None |  |
| **3.** | **Public Forum**  No members of the public attended. |  |
| **4.**    **Noted** | **Feedback and information sharing from Cheshire East Councillors (Including flood updates, thefts and waste dumping in the village and Highways updates).**  NW (CE) joined the meeting. Some councils will struggle to hold meetings face to face as only 30 members will be allowed to attend. Face to face meetings are due to start on 7th May, but the government are being challenged on this. The date may change and NW will inform us of this.  The distribution of personal alarms was discussed. |  |
| **5.**  **Resolved** | **To agree as a true record, the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 15th March 2021.**  **6 FOR** |  |
| **6**.  **Resolved** | **Finance**   1. **Payments to be authorised by the council**   **BACS**   |  |  | | --- | --- | | L Baxter Smallwood | £50 | | Chalc subscription | £99.36 | | Autela Payroll Services | £41.76 | | J Gamage salary | £176.88 |   **Cheques**  None issued or waiting to be cashed **6 FOR**  **b. Bank statement reconciliation**  Bank accounts at the end of **March 2021**  Current Acc : £20,566.55  Renovation Acc £37.24  TOTAL = £20,603.79  **Direct debits paid**   |  |  | | --- | --- | | **BT** | **£46.80** | | **Yu Energy Gas** | **£71.28** | | **Yu Energy Electricity** | **£6.80** |   A VAT return has been completed for period ending 31st March £189.75  The first Precept payment has been received £5,628. |  |
| **7.**  **Noted** | **PCSO comments**  Information was emailed. As yet no arrests have been made for the thefts in the village. Personal alarms will be available for women on 25th April in Poynton. The place and time will be requested from the PCSO. He will be asked if he can deliver more to the village. |  |
| **8.**    **All noted** | **To note any correspondence received**  A litter pick is being encouraged by Peak District NP. Equipment has been ordered from them and will be delivered.  Notification of the suggested NHS day on 5th July has been received. This will be discussed at the next council meeting.  VE day celebrations have been suggested. A celebration similar to last year’s is suggested.  The Great British Spring Clean have suggested a litter pick between  28th May – 13th June. 5th June has been decided for the village.  CE have the Kettleshulme Resilience Plan.  Waterplus have agreed to the change of post code given on bills.  An initiative to encourage breast screening has been launched.  A suggestion was sent to change access to books from the village hall. Books will now be available from the rear of the hall. |  |
| **9.** | **To consider planning applications received.**  No new applications. |  |
| **10.**  **Noted** | **To discuss strategies needed to provide a dementia friendly village.**  It was decided to ask interested parties to meet when restrictions lift.  Information will be published on the council website when available.  NW suggested contacting the person who has set up dementia friendly strategies in Poynton.  Contact already exists with a relative who has established similar strategies in a nearby village. |  |
| **11.** | **Reports from working parties**  No issues reported. |  |
| **12.** All Noted | **To discuss maintenance of the village hall.**  The boiler in the hall has been repaired.  A slate is loose over the kitchen and will be repaired.  It was suggested that quotes will be requested for a new front door.  Quotes for repairs to the hall floor will be obtained. It was noted that any repairs done to the floor will have to take place when there are no bookings for weddings etc, as it will not be possible to use the hall at this time. |  |
| **13.**  **Noted**  **Noted**  **Noted**  **Resolved** | **To discuss hall lettings and to discuss research made on future payment arrangements**  Another wedding has been booked.  CRTA have been in touch to suggest new bookings. This will be considered at a later date.  H P Pilates will be contacted to enquire about rules issued by the Pilates advisory organisation for restarting classes.  Payments by bank cards has been researched. Two companies were looked at in detail. It was decided to adopt the SumUp system. The system is easy to use, and access can be gained via mobile phones. VC to organise the purchase. **6 FOR** |  |
| **14.**  **Noted** | **To discuss arrangements for the re-opening of the village hall, including arrangements for face-to -face meetings.**  Future bookings will be accepted after a date to be decided.  Face -to -face council meetings have been allowed from 7th May by the government. The decision is being challenged in court. Some councils would not be able to meet in full because of the 30 person restriction, and decisions could not be made.  The AGM is only allowed to happen face-to- face. NW to inform of any news from the court challenge. |  |
| **15.**  **Noted** | **To discuss plans to commemorate the life of HRH Prince Philip.**  A book of condolences can be signed online.  The flag was lowered for the suggested length of time.  Donations for charities can also be given online. |  |
| **16.**  **Resolved** | **To discuss arrangements for The Great Spring Clean.**  The spring clean will take part on 5th June. As last year, bags gloves and pickers will be available from the rear of the village hall. Areas to clean will be discussed with volunteers.  **6 FOR** |  |
| **17.**  **Noted** | **Items for future meetings**  Audit information.  Further discussion of the NHS day |  |
| **18.**  **Noted** | **Items for information**  Insurance was renewed with Zurich at a rate lower than the BHIB quote.  Open reach has been surveying the village for the installation of faster broadband. |  |
| **19** | **Date & Time of Next Meeting**  Monday 17th May 2021 at 7.30pm. |  |

The meeting concluded at 8:25 pm.