

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MAVESYN RIDWARE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 21st January 2021 AT 7.30PM

PRESENT

K Vernon, D Harris, G Stockdale, A Jones, R Lowries, E Stubley

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IN ATTENDANCE

Miss E Moreland – Parish Clerk.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

J Grimley – Gave a brief overview of the state of the paths/stiles/signage in the parish and would like the PC to back and support the project in rectifying the issues/problems alongside the Trailblazers.

K Wakefield – Thanked the PC on behalf of the WI for the donation received towards the Christmas lights, and also to inform us of a project the WI are looking at developing for the spring - decorating the village with the theme being 'Hope Springs Eternal' and getting the village to participate by decorating their windows and children to do posters/pictures, and to just generally brighten up the village and bring some hope. The WI hope the PC will support this project.

1. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES

District Counsellor 'Shirley Barnett' was due to join meeting but could not attend.

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Cllr Stubley declared an interest in item 7 – his children attend the school.

3. TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 17 DECEMBER 2020

The Chair proposed the approval of the minutes. All agreed. The minutes recorded as a true and accurate record.

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM ABOVE MINUTES

Cllr Lowries – Advised that the Daniel Beard Foundation have donated a bleed kit FOC for the village.

Chair Vernon – Advised 3 Dog Bins have been purchased, and it has come at a good time considering information received from LDC that it will be mandatory for dog owners to carry 2 dog 'poo' bags, and Dog Wardens can stop dog walkers to show the 'poo' bags and if they cannot be fined.

Christmas boxes – The biscuits that the PC gave out at Christmas have received positive feedback from recipients has been phenomenal and overwhelming. Also, the donation the PC gave to the children at Henry Chadwick School has received amazing feedback.

5. DECLARATION OF CHEQUES (over the value of £100)

All Approved

6. PLANNING MATTERS

All planning applications have/will be discussed, and comments made via LDC website.

Chair Vernon advised he and 2 other 'Cllrs' attended a Planning course recently, and in light of this course need to re-think how we deal/respond to planning applications.

Cllr Stockdale – Advised that until the stop notices on Bank Farm are actioned, she will be voting against any further planning application received from Bank Farm.

7. TO APPROVE THE PC GIVING SUPPORT TO THE SCHOOL FOR REPAIRING THE PLAYGROUND

All Councillors Approved - Cllr Stockdale abstained due to being Governor at the School (previously declared interest)

8. FOOTPATHS - To Discuss/Consider purchasing kissing gates/small stock proof opening gate.

Presentation given by J Grimley on this matter in public participation section.

It was proposed that Cllr Lowries act as the Liaison Officer between the PC and the Trailblazers on 'kick' starting this project. Full support given by the Cllrs.

9. NAME SIGNS - To discuss Name Signs in the Mavesyn Ridware villages

Suggested we put 1 sign in the centre of each village. Cllr Stockdale will continue her research on this and liaise with the WI on moving this project forward.

10. WEED SUPPRESSANT TRENCH - To consider making a weed suppressant trench around the village Playground.

Chair Vernon advised a 50cm trench should have been made round the playground when new playground was installed to suppress the weeds destroying the playground surface but was never done. It was agreed this needs to be done and 3 quotes are to be obtained.

Chair Vernon presented his decision on why it was decided to close the Village Playground.

11. AUDIT - To Plan Audit

In progress

Chair Vernon asked councillors if they had all received the Code of Conduct, Standing Orders and Financial Regulations documents from the Clerk – Cllr Harris – Yes, Cllr Stockdale – Yes, Cllr Jones – Yes, Cllr Lowries – Yes, Cllr Stubbley – Yes.

12. AUDITOR - To Approve new internal auditor.

Previous auditor approved. Clerk to contact.

13. INTERNAL FINANCE 'SCRUTINEER' - Set a date to look at MRPC accounts.

In hand. Cllr Harris to look at accounts.

14. MRPC INSURANCE - To start investigating PC insurance quotes prior to renewal on 31/5/21.

Clerk to get 3 quotes.

15. CORRESPONDENCE

- (i) Unity Trust bank statement – *Received the most recent statement.*
- (ii) LDC press releases from press officer Esther Epstein – *Regular email updates*
- (iii) SCC Bulletins weekly – *Regular email updates*
- (iv) SPCA Bulletins weekly – *Regular email updates*
- (v) Email from J. Malpass – *Re closure of the children's playground in Hill Ridware*

16. TO NOTE THE DATE OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING – 22nd April 2021

Chair Vernon asked Clerk to advertise meeting in the next edition of the Messenger magazine, and all village organisations are invited to join and make a presentation.

17. TO NOTE THE DATE OF THE NEXT PC MEETING

The next meeting will be on Thursday 18TH February 2021 at 7:30pm

18. FINANCE – TO APPROVE PAYMENTS FOR JANUARY

Chair proposed the approval of the accounts. All agreed.

Action Matrix

<i>Action</i>	<i>Cllr/Clerk to Action</i>
Footpath Project	Cllr Lowries
Name Signs in villages	Cllr Stockdale
Weed Suppressant Trench – Quotes to be obtained	TBC
Auditor – Contact to be made	Parish Clerk
Internal Finance Scrutineer – to look at PC accounts	Cllr Harris
MRPC Insurance – Quotes to be obtained prior to renewal	Parish Clerk
Annual Parish Meeting – To be advertised in Messenger Magazine	Parish Clerk

Meeting closed at 8:51pm

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