

HEDLEY ON THE HILL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Council meeting held on 8th April 2019 at 7.30pm in the Feathers' Inn

Present: Cllrs Penny, Speak, Watkins, Rodgeron and Celino. Monica Anderton, Clerk was in attendance.

949: **Apologies:** Cllr Douglas and County Cllr Horncastle

950: **Declarations of Interest:** None

951. **Minutes** from meeting of 11th March 2019: These were **approved** as a true record.

952. **Matters arising:**

a) The Post Office Box: Following information from Royal Mail and further discussion, it was agreed to leave the box where it is;

b) The War Memorial Plaque has not yet been followed up; Cllr Watkins will do this. A coffee morning in the pub will be left until later in the year;

c) The Clerk had chased up on the speeding survey. The Police are still waiting for NCC to check the traffic signs. Cllr Horncastle noted this. This has still not been done; reminders will be sent again; a limit of 20mph through the village was suggested and the Clerk will also check this out but it is probable the village does not meet the criteria that NCC will enforce for this;

d) The broken gate near the access to the Gas inspection point does not belong to Northern Gas who only have a right to use the access point. As fly tipping is of concern, the Clerk will ask them who it is who gives the permission so the gate can be fixed;

e) The hedge: Cllr Horncastle had emailed the home owner without any satisfaction to date; it was suggested that a formal letter be sent from NCC which clearly lays out the options as explained by Cllr Horncastle to the Clerk in a phone call;

f) The litter pick will be postponed until Autumn.

953. **County Councillor's report:** Cllr Horncastle mentioned some of the items above and also later re the village Green application. There is no movement as yet on the Marley Tiles development.

954. **Planning issues re the Village Green:** Cllr Horncastle had talked with the solicitors at NCC about this matter and their view was that it was nothing to do with them despite having formally assisted in 2005. The Parish Council find this unacceptable and want to know why they cannot assist now. There has also been no response from the planners regarding the copy of the letter about the Green which was sent to them. The Clerk will follow up with the recommended help from our Insurers to see if they can offer any practical help. She will also write to the Dixons with a copy of the above letter in case their agents have not forwarded the content of it to them.

955: **Correspondence:** Circulated as emails: weekly E News from NALC.

956. **Finance:** a) Balance at 31st March 2019 is £1096.88

b) The following payments were authorised:

MF Anderton, Clerk, March 2019

£127.50

MF Anderton, Clerk, Expenses to date

£36.59

c) The Exemption form for the 2018/19 Audit was approved.

d) The accounts for 2018/19 were noted. They will be submitted for the Internal Audit now.

957. **Information received:** Merchant Navy day leaflet.

958: **Roads:** Glen Harrison/Andy Oliver would be asked when the damaged signs would be replaced/repared; this has not yet been done and would be chased up; also with a request to replace the 30mph signs on West Hill which are in poor condition; Mr McKenzie would be reminded about the horse signs as well, having had the extra information he required forwarded to him.

959: **AOB:** ~ The gardener would be asked for a pile of wood chippings to be left on the green;

~Cllr Penny will be away for the Annual Meeting and asked that the Elections for Chair etc. be delayed until the June meeting; he wishes to stand down as Chair but not as a councillor.

960: **Date of next meeting:** 13th May 2019 at The Feathers at 7.30pm. This will also be the APM

Chair:

Date: