

## HEDLEY ON THE HILL PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Council meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> May 2019 at 7.30pm in the Feathers' Inn

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

961. Election of Chairman and Vice chairman – postponed to June meeting

962. Approval of Standing orders – previously circulated – deferred to June meeting

963: **Apologies:** Cllr Douglas, Cllr Penny, Cllr Rodgeron and County Cllr Horncastle

964: **Declarations of Interest:** None

965. **Minutes** from meeting of 8<sup>th</sup> April 2019: These were **approved** as a true record.

**966. Matters arising:**

a) Hedge – nothing to report. Clerk will chase up again with Cllr Horncastle;

b) The War Memorial Plaque: Cllr Watkins had contacted the vicar at St George's Church who was very helpful. The plaque is quite large and is fixed into one of the walls of the church. It was also pointed out that the church is Hedley's Parish church and the church is open for anyone to visit and view the plaque. It was suggested and agreed that a photo of it could be placed on the website;

c) The broken gate near the access to the Gas inspection point: Northern Gas were very helpful with the information they provided as to ownership of the footpath and gate. It was agreed the Clerk would write to all three possible owners to see which one would offer to mend the gate;

d) The County Council had indicated that Horse warning signs could be placed at the bridle way on West Hill at no expense to the Parish Council. Cllr Speak offered to talk to the horse owners at the other end of the village explaining that a substantial cost would be incurred to put signs at that site;

e) Speeding: There is still no indication of when this survey will take place. The Clerk will ask Cllr Horncastle to talk to Neil Snowdon again as this seems to be the sticking point.

967. **County Councillor's report:** None

968. **Planning issues re the Village Green:** Nothing has been heard from either Dixon's or GF White. The Clerk looked at the information suggested by the insurers as to an organisation that might help. Although they were helpful in replying, as the matter is not covered by the Council's insurance, it is unlikely they will be able to help without payment.

969: **Correspondence:** Circulated as emails: weekly E News from NALC; NCC – Housing strategy for consultation: it was noted that effort is being made to support rural housing needs at affordable prices.

970: A very late planning application arrived: 19/01422/FUL: Proposed 2 storey extension at 1 School Row, Hedley. The Parish Council had no objections to the application and supported it.

971. **Finance:** a) Balance at 30th April 2019 is £4238.48 (including precept payment)

b) The approved accounts from the APM were noted;

c) The Governance statement on the Agar form was approved;

d) The Internal Audit for 2018/19 was approved;

e) The Accounting Statement for 2018/19 was approved;

f) The following payments were authorised:

MF Anderton, Clerk, April 2019	£132.08
P Basnett, for Internal audit 2018/19	£62.40
Grass cutting	£330.00
NALC subscription for 2019/20	£76.56

972. **Information received:** CPRE Northern – Spring; Clerks & Councils Direct - spring

973: **Roads:** The damaged road signs have not yet been replaced. This will be chased up.

974: **AOB:** ~ The criteria for 20mph through the village are not suitable to be enforced. Details are being produced by NCC to identify what is needed for this.

975: **Date of next meeting:** 10<sup>th</sup> June 2019 at The Feathers at 7.30pm.

Chair:

Date: