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COLD ASHBY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes

Wednesday 1st April 2020

A meeting was held on Wednesday 1st April at 7.30 p.m. by video conference.

Members of the public and press were unable to attend

Present: Councillors Bailey (chairman), Harpham, Williams, Williams. The Clerk.

Interests: None

1. **Apologies:** Councillor Peel had been unable to gain access to the required technology.
2. **Minutes:** minutes of the meeting of the Council on the 1st April, 2020, were approved
3. **Matters arising:** none
4. **Open forum:** none
5. **Accounts:** Members **approved** the attached accounts and **authorized** the payments contained in them. The accounts in the **first attached email** contained the final figures for March and therefore 2019-20. These **end of year accounts**, were examined and it was agreed to forward them for approval in at the AGM in May.
6. **Annual return to external auditor:** The system of external audit introduced in 2018 had been delayed owing to the virus emergency. It will resume at some future point and the council will need to approve an annual return of income and expenditure and to publish information on the website. Members are considered the information in **annex 1** and **resolved:**

that the figures for 2018-19 in **annex 1** to this agenda represent an accurate statement of the Council's end of year financial position in 2018-2019 and are approved for use in the new audit system **and can be signed as such by the chairman.**
7. **Assembly agenda:** the uncertainty over the May annual village assembly was noted. **The council's May AGM** is a legal requirement and advice is being obtained via NCALC.
8. It was noted that the VH lottery had been suspended since collection was unsafe.
9. The Council noted the good response of villagers to the current crisis and would keep the position under review. Efforts would be made to include all councillors in future meetings.
10. **Post:** none

Graham Jones 17th April 2020