## **Cold Ashby Parish Council**

## Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2023 at 7.30pm at Cold Ashby Village Hall.

## **Minutes**

**Present:** Councillors Roper (Chair), Bailey, Taylor, Peel, RDWilliams, RLWilliams, and 5 members of the public.

This meeting was recorded by the Council and separately by a member of the public.

Meeting started: 19:30 Meeting ended: 20:36

23.11.1 - Apologies: Cllr Harpham – Approved.

**23.11.2** - **Minutes: It was resolved** to **approve** the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on the  $4^{th}$  October 2023

23.11.3 - Matters arising: none.

## 23.11.4 - Open forum:

A request was made to hold a minute of silence in support of Israel. The chairman advised that whilst council recognise there has been horrendous loss of life on both sides as a result of the conflict, there has been no government statement and therefore it does not seem appropriate to act in isolation.

Representations were made regarding the management/sale of the Black Horse Public House.

A query was raised regarding whether council would publish the recordings of meetings. The chairman advised this would be considered by council, as previously advised in the October meeting.

- **23.11.5 Accounts: It was resolved** to **approve** the accounts for November.
- **23.11.6 Budget: Provisional** budget numbers agreed in Annex 2 as discussed and updated at the meeting.
- **23.11.7 Parish Council Noticeboard: It was resolved** that the parish council noticeboard could be used to advertise community events with prior approval of council. **The clerk** will include a rolling agenda item to consider any requests.
- 23.11.8 WNC Planning Briefing: Cllr Roper will attend.
- **23.11.9 Access to the A14:** Cllr RL Williams updated council that Northants Police have advised concerns regarding the illegal use of the ground adjacent Junction 1 for off road motorcycling must be reported to them if they are to take action. There is a meeting arranged between National Highways and Northants Police to discuss the matter further. Cllr Bailey advised that police had been using Covid law to move people on. **The clerk** to add information regarding how to report to Northants police to the Cold Ashby Parish Council website.

- **23.11.10 Environment:** Council acknowledged the cemetery wall and village gate had both been repaired. Cllr Roper advised he spoke with the workman at the cemetery wall and understood a village resident present at the meeting had arranged the repair and paid for the work. Cllr Roper expressed thanks on behalf of the council but stressed that any work to council assets should be approved in advance by council, requests should be submitted to the clerk for review and will be added to the agenda for the next council meeting, if appropriate.
- **23.11.11 Verbal Reports:** Cllr Bailey advised the CAPFA Fireworks display is due to take place Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November. Cllr Bailey advised the Village Hall AGM takes place Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November in the village hall.

**23.11.12 - Post:** none.

Natalie Heath 5th November 2023