

MOTTRAM ST. ANDREW PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES

MEETING HELD 16th JANUARY 2017

Present Cllr W. Pilkington(Chairman) ,Cllr Philpott, Cllr M. Holland, Cllr T. Wennell, Cllr Morgan, Cllr Hughes, R. Taylor (Clerk), Paul Findlow (Borough Councillor) and 1 member of the public.

1. Apologies for absence : Cllr Hatton (Car breakdown on route to meeting)
2. Declaration of interests from Councillors : None.
3. Requests for dispensations : None.
4. Minutes of meeting held on 28th November 2016 : **Approved** and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.
5. Matters Arising : The Clerk reported that thanks had been received from Mr and Mrs Sidebottom for the rent renewal without increase. Precept has been requested and acknowledged. Trees to be sourced by the Clerk for the diamond wood, Cllr Hughes will assess the requirements. Sutton planning application for a Vispa Broadband mast has been supported. Chair reported on the progress with HS2 as the Department of Transport have agreed that the feasibility of joining Macclesfield be investigated, Grtr M/C Spatial framework proposals responded to, Coronation seat area tidied up by the householder.
6. Public Participation : None
7. Finance : Clerk reported reconciled Bank account at 5th January £10,601.24, payments made £81.56 Chairman's expenses, £30 Chapel rent.
8. Planning : Clerk reported that a letter of enquiry had been sent to the householder at The Old School House and had resulted in a visit to explain that refurbishment work was taking longer than anticipated and that the site would be cleared when the work was finished. Councillor's were concerned in relation to the continued presence of large containers on the site and it was agreed to adjourn the matter to the next meeting to observe progress.
9. Superfast Broadband : Cllr Hughes reported on the continued poor service being received in the Village from BT and on the contents of a less than encouraging response received from Connecting Cheshire that matters would improve in the near future even though in the region of £4.3m had become available from contract clawback and BT contributions. Cllr Findlow will be attending a meeting with Cheshire East when future plans will be disclosed and he will promote the Village case and report back.
10. Highways : Cllr Wennell produced plans for the improvement of the Mill Lane, Wilmslow Rd Junction which he hopes ought to be approved at the next Highways meeting to be funded from 2017/18 Budget.

11. Web Site : Clerk advised that the web site had been temporarily suspended due to prejudice having been caused to the sites integrity with numerous Emails being sent from without the Council's or the Host servers authority. The Site will recommence normal operation as soon as the problem is resolved.
12. Training : Cllrs were encouraged to indicate the sessions they wish to attend and the Clerk will organise.
13. North West Ambulance : A request received for a charitable donation which was discussed, Councillor's recognised the worthiness of the cause but were not prepared to donate public funds.
14. Royal Garden Party : Cllr Philpott was proposed but due to personal circumstances did not feel able to be nominated.
15. Council Meetings 2017/18 : Schedule produced and approved.
16. Other Business : Provision of a defibrillator in the Village to be discussed at the next meeting.