

MOTTRAM ST. ANDREW PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES

MEETING HELD 19TH NOVEMBER 2018

Present Cllr R. Hughes (Chairman), Cllr W. Pilkington, Cllr Philpott, Cllr Morgan, Cllr Hatton, Cllr Levis, R. Taylor (Clerk), and 4 members of the public.

1. Apologies for absence : Cllr Dodd (Unwell)
2. Declaration of interests from Councillors : None.
3. Requests for dispensations : None.
4. Minutes of meeting held on 17th September 2018 : **Approved** and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.
5. Matters Arising None
6. Mercury Magazine Cllr Hatton reported on the improvements noted in the first edition produced by the new editor. He recommended that an Editorial Committee be formed to be available to deal with any issues relating to future content of the Magazine proposed Chairman seconded Cllr Levis that a Committee of three persons be appointed made up of one representative each from the Village Hall and the Parish Council joined by the Clerk **Resolved unanimously.**
7. Finance The Clerk reported that the current Bank balance is £16,226.72, Three payments made since the last meeting Clerk Salary £1,894.12 including £261.62 expenses, Tax £408 and Chairman's Armistice day expenses of £30 Tommy and £20 Charitable donation. Draft Budget for 2019/20 having been circulated discussion ensued and budget to be agreed proposed Cllr Hatton seconded Chairman **Resolved Unanimously.** Precept suggestions were debated proposed Cllr Hatton seconded Chairman that the Precept for 2019/20 be subject to an increase of 2.99% (£7,685) **Resolved Unanimously.** The Allotment rent review for 2019/20 was debated proposed Cllr Pilkington seconded Cllr Hatton that there be no increase **Resolved Unanimously.** Old Recreation Ground rent review considered proposed Chairman seconded Cllr Hatton that there be no increase for 2019 **Resolved Unanimously.**
8. Clerk Position Chairman reported that the 2 persons who had expressed interest in taking over the roll had not pursued their applications. The Chairman was in discussion with the current Clerk with a view to agreeing terms for him to continue.
9. Election Planning Steps need to be taken to prepare Council for the Elections in May 2019. The Chairman invited Councillor's to indicate whether they were intending to stand for election. Cllr Pilkington and Cllr Philpott indicated their intention to stand down in May creating two vacancies on the Council for Election. The Clerk was directed to advertise the positions and all Councillor's were requested to be aware of the opportunities for two new Councillor's.
10. Planning Clerk reported that no application had been received regarding the Triangle of land Wilmslow Old Rd/Moss Lane as the owners were in consultation

with the Planning Authority prior to submitting a formal application. Cllr Pilkington reported that he had been approached by J. Park and sons regarding their application to expand their business premises which had met with a lack of cooperation from the Planning Authority, Chairman indicated that the Council had already resolved to support this application and Cllr Pilkington was requested to contact the applicants to discuss the matter. Mottram Hall new owners have requested a meeting with the Parish Council regarding their plans for improvements and expansion. The Chairman and two other Councillors will visit the Hall and listen to the proposals, Clerk requested to arrange.

11. Highways Cllr Pilkington reported that no work had yet been carried out at the Junction of Lees Lane/ Mill Lane/ Wilmslow Rd yet an invoice had been received for the Parish Council contribution of £2,000. The Clerk had contacted Cheshire East and the invoice was on hold till the work had been completed to the Parish Council's satisfaction. Road Sweeping issue carried forward to the next meeting.
12. Defibrillator provision The matter was vigorously debated and all Councillor's present were in favour of acquiring a defibrillator provided the detail can be resolved. Matter carried forward to the next meeting for more research to be concluded with particular reference to Funding , Location and Training. Chairman to report further in January.
13. Village School Report Chairman reported that he had attended a meeting with Jean Willerton the new headmistress and had arranged a visit for 5 Councillor's to be shown round the School which took place earlier today. The matter of problem parking during drop off and pick up was raised and a number of matters discussed. The PCSO has attended during the rush period and has warned a number of parents of their parking will lead to tickets being issued if they repeat their conduct. The parents have also been written to by the School to try to improve the situation. This matter will be continually monitored particularly when the Triangle planning issue is resolved.
14. Police Report In the absence of the PCSO the Chairman read out the latest report.
15. Village Maintenance report Triangle wood strimmed, painting of the Woodford finger post sign awaited. Chairman reported that no volunteers had come forward to help with the Litter Picking. The general tidying up of the Village was debated including a proposal to campaign to remove invasive species, the matter to be monitored and carried forward.
16. Broadband Update Much excitement on the availability of fibre broadband from the Alderley Cabinet affecting a percentage of the Village. Speeds of science fiction proportions being mooted to be obtainable..
17. Remembrance Garden Cllr Pilkington wished Council to consider the location of a Garden of remembrance for the fallen from the Village in two world wars. The

matter will be addressed further when the application for planning is known relating to the Triangle.

18. Other Business None, apart from the fact that as that time of the year approaches the Clerk was requested to make arrangements for Councillor's Christmas festivities at the Bulls Head.