

MOTTRAM ST. ANDREW PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES

MEETING HELD 5TH AUGUST 2019

Present Cllr R. Hughes (Chairman), Cllr Dodd, Cllr Morgan, Cllr Hatton, Cllr Levis, R. Taylor (Clerk) , and 8 members of the public.

1. Apologies for absence : Cllr Davies (unwell). Cllr Walker(holiday). Cllr Findlow
2. Declaration of interests from Councillors : Chairman declared an interest in item 8 on the agenda regarding Hunters Cross planning application.
3. Requests for dispensations : None.
4. Minutes of meeting held on 13th May : Signed by the Chairman as a correct record.
5. Matters Arising : The Clerk reported all procedural matters resolved at the A.G.M. had been dealt with. Cllr Levis reported on his attendance at the Local Industry Strategy meeting, matter to be addressed at the next meeting.
6. Public Participation : The issue of Mains drainage in the Village was raised by a member of public.
7. Finance : Clerk reported that the Bank balance at 5th July was £14,816.53 payments made since the last meeting £13.50 ChALC , £515 Village Green maintenance, £348.38 Insurance renewal, £35 Chapel Rent. Reconcilled bank a/c to date £14,288.03. YE Audit 2019 is concluded with the notice of Public rights having expired on 26th July and the Certificate of Exemption having been filed with the Auditors. Allotment rents received £1,317.50 to date with 2 plots vacant. Cheque mandate change forms signed.
8. Septic Tank and Sewage Treatment Plant Regulations : Clerk reported that the changes introduced by the regulations passed in 2015 take full effect on 1st January 2020 and a significant number of properties in Mottram St. Andrew will be affected by them. After debate proposed Chairman seconded Cllr Dodd that the Council should make residents aware of the regulations commencement date
Resolved unanimously.
9. Planning : The Oaks 19/0902M Appeal agreed no representations should be made. Mottram Hall 19/3345M no observations. Hunters Cross 19/3540M The Chairman withdrew from the debate and agreed no observations. Bentworth 18/4060M Cllr Levis reported that the application had been granted subject to Secretary of State approval. Tree Tops 19/2637M Clerk reported that the Council's objections had reflected those of the Planning department and the application had been refused. Hunters Pool Cottage 19/0147M Clerk reported that the application had been granted. Triangle19/0626M matter still awaiting a decision. Collcot 19/3512M

application for a Certificate of Lawfulness, issues explained by the Clerk and Council does not wish to make any observations on the facts of the matter. Debate followed regarding the effectiveness of Planning matters being reserved to all Councillors, agreed matter should continue to be dealt with in this way but all Councillors urged to respond, lack of communication may be taken by the Clerk as No observations.

10. Highways : Cllr Levis reported Mill Lane/ Lees Lane junction further improvements due to be progressed with plans due September and work to commence November. Proposed to bring forward the Junction entrance line to improve visibility. Priest Lane /Wilmslow Rd Junction Highways ascertaining ownership of the land on the corner to finalise liability for removal of trees and improve visibility. Road markings from Castle Hill to Wilmslow are to be replaced. A request is being considered to include Mill Lane on the gritting route from 2020. Next Highways meeting March 2020.
11. Mercury Magazine : A meeting to debate the future of the magazine will take place 26th September between representatives of the Village Hall, The Council and the current magazine administrators as a result of financial uncertainty.
12. Web Site : Cost of the Web Site hosting to remain with the Council. Cllr Levis reported on the proposals to produce a Village App to facilitate communication in the Village. After full debate proposed Cllr Levis seconded Cllr Dodd that Council produce quotes for a Village App for the benefit of the Community to facilitate communication **Resolved unanimously**. Cllr Levis will prepare a specification of the service required from the App and the benefits and costings for future debate.
13. Village Maintenance : Costs for staking the diamond wood and strimming agreed at £75. Cllr Morgan proposed the planting of more trees round the perimeter of the recreation ground, a plan will be prepared for debate at the next meeting. The issue of rubble deposited on local fields will be carried forward. Maintenance work on the Allotments is continuing.
14. Poynton Community Partnership : Chairman has been appointed to the grants committee and advised the meeting that grants up to £1000 are available for projects in the Village
15. Village Defibrillator : Chairman reported that a Charity has donated a defibrillator to the Academy School which has been made available for the use of the Village with the assistance of a grant from PCAP of £500 to mount the defibrillator on an outside wall. Thanks are due to the School for their consideration and to the Chairman for his efforts in arranging the grant. Ease of access was noted as an important issue which the Chairman will ensure occurs.
16. United Charities : A meeting has taken place with Cheshire Communities Foundation with a view to expanding the application of the funds to more beneficiaries, the trustees were not impressed with the proposals and discussions

are continuing to ascertain alternative options, matter will be carried forward to the next meeting.

17. Police Commissioners meetings : Chairman attended the last meeting which was attended by senior police officers and was worthwhile. Future meetings will be supported ,PCSO report read out.
18. Broadband Update : Chairman reported on the success of a Community group in obtaining a grant for the installation of fibre broadband in a small area of the Village, other groups are also pursuing applications.
19. Emergency Plan : Plan has been reviewed and updated, Co-ordinators are now Michelle Blakeborough, Claire Hatch, Rachel Bates and Ron Taylor.
20. Other Business : Cllr Hatton recorded that the Village Hall Car Park has been extended into the field at a cost of £27,000 with contributions from the Jive Club and the Social Club.