MISERDEN PARISH COUNCIL

The Minutes of the meeting of **Miserden Parish Council** held on **Thursday 28th February 2019**

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| 02.19.01 | **Present:** Councillors: Martin Ractliffe, Jo Tait, Richard Dangerfield, Gideon Duberley and Russ Coles-Jones  **Attending:** Kirsty Edwards (Acting Parish Clerk) & Harley Green (Cotswolds Warden) |
| 02.19.02 | **Apologies:** Councillors Julie Job, Keith Rippington and Nigel Cooper |
| 02.19.03 | **Declarations of Interest**: None |
| 02.19.04  02.19.05  02.19.06  02.19.07  Cont/d | **Minutes** of the meeting held on 24th January 2019 were approved and will be signed as correct by the Chair.  **Matters arising from Minutes:** none  **Welcome to Harley Green, Cotswolds Warden**  Each Parish in a AONB has a Cotswolds Warden responsible for keeping the footpaths and bypasses clear and reporting and repairing where required broken stiles and signage. The voluntary role works in conjunction with landowners to discuss whether the Warden can help maintain and repair the abovementioned item at no additional cost. Mr Green to contact Parish Clerk with any upcoming queries and Cllr Tait to feedback following upcoming Whiteway Colony meeting whether the broken stile in Whiteway past the playing field should be repaired or converted to a kissing gate.  **Clerk’s Report**   * Sharing of District Councillor’s Report regarding Council Tax, Local Plan and Waste & Recycling * Update on the relocation of the Whiteway Post Box to the bus shelter across the road. Relocation team at Royal Mail to investigate and send out a surveyor to do initial checks and scans * Lining work due to be carried out in Wishanger to be delivered in the 2019/2020 financial year and dates should be available by the end of April. Clerk to follow up. * Standing Orders, Members’ Code of Conduct and Complaints Procedure documents now available on the Miserden Parish Council Website in the Governance section * Re-declaration of compliance has been completed with The Pensions Regulator to assess any staff members in a pension scheme. * Clerk requested whether recommended printer was suitable for the Parish Council and councillors voted unanimously yes. Clerk to purchase.   **Chairman’s Report**   * Chairman attended Stroud District Council Annual Meeting last month and reported their income from central government is decreasing as is the New Homes Bonus allocated to the District Council each year. * Cllr Duberley provided further information on the incident in Miserden on 25th February required the defibrillator to be got ready for use (but not administered). Clerk to contact ambulance service to understand why the emergency vehicles’ satellite navigation system took them down dead end roads and not the quickest and most direct route along main road into Miserden. |
| 02.19.08 | **Painting of phone box in the Camp**  Cllr Duberley has verbal quote for works to be carried out and will share written quote with Clerk once received. |
| 02.19.09 | **VETS Defibrillator System**  As responses to the advertisement in the Parish Post were disappointingly low, word of mouth to be used to find willing volunteers to be added to the list. Cllr Tait to request volunteers at the upcoming Whiteway Colony meeting, Cllr Dangerfield to liaise with helpful resident in The Camp and Clerk to liaise with Cllr Duberley and interested resident in Miserden to form lists for each defibrillator. |
| 02.19.10  02.19.11  02.19.12  02.19.13  02.19.14  02.19.15  02.19.16 | **First Aid Training**  Gloucestershire County Council has offered to run free training courses in the Parish. Clerk to liaise to organise, giving first refusal to those residents volunteering for the defibrillator VETS list who may need defibrillator training.  **Traffic Issues in Wishanger**  Chairman met with Bob Reade to discuss the traffic survey detailing that Wishanger was eligible for a 20mph speed restriction. County Council has agreed to support the scheme in principle but it needs funding. Councillors agreed that an absolute project cost needs to be known before the Parish Council can make a final decision regarding a contribution. Clerk to liaise directly with the Local Highways Manager at Gloucestershire County Council to arrange a meeting with the Chairman to get clarity on total project cost, the size of contribution needed, and whether there are any other funding reserves that can be drawn upon.  **Annual Assembly Plans 2019**  Councillors to consider a possible speaker for the upcoming Annual Assembly to be held in Whiteway Colony Hall on 23 May and feedback.  **Financial Position**  The clerk reported the financial position as at 31 January 2019 to be £10,111.65  **Budget 2019/20**  Budget for upcoming financial year reviewed by Councillors and approved. Available upon request.  **Accounts for Payment**  Information Commissioner (£40), Community Heartbeat Trust Annual Service (£144), SLCC Annual Membership (£89), Clerk’s expenses (£95.90), Community Heartbeat Trust 2 sets pads (£87.60)  **Next Meeting**  The next meeting will be held at 7.30pm on Thursday 28th March 2019 in Miserden Village Hall. Cllr Tait sent her apologies in advance. |
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