

## **Minutes of Kilmeston Annual Parish Meeting held 19th May 2022**

### **Venue Kilmeston Village Hall**

Present: - Mr Simon Young (SY) – Chairman  
Mr Charlie Parry (CP)  
Mr Nick Gerrard (NG)  
Mr Jason Bridgen (JB)  
Ms Hannah Beckett-Pratt (HB)  
Mr Graham Tarbuck  
Mrs M Tarbuck  
Mr Richard Tatner  
Mr John Hankin  
Mrs Karen Young  
Mr Mike Curtis  
Mr Guy Hornsey  
Mr Kenrick Fell - Clerk

The Chairman opened the meeting after the Annual Assembly

#### **1. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 15th MARCH 2022.**

The Minutes were agreed and were signed by the Chairman.

#### **2. DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE.**

Nil.

#### **3. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN.**

Nominations were invited for Chairman. Charlie Parry proposed Simon Young, and he was seconded by Nick Gerrard.

Simon Young agreed to continue as Chairman, but he stressed that he would only continue for one year and Members would have to find another Chairman to continue until the fourth year.

#### **4. MATTERS ARISING.**

Nil.

#### **5. TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL OR PREJUDICIAL INTEREST.**

Nil.

#### **6. PARISH MATTERS AND COUNCILLOR REPORTS: -**

##### **a) Lengthsman (CP)**

CP explained the workings of the Lengthsman Scheme for the benefit of residents and stated that the lead Parish Council was Soberton and it equated to about 15hrs per year of additional help to keep the village tidy. He went on to explain the type of work that the Lengthsmen could do, and he was happy to receive requests for roadside work in the village.

##### **b) Footpaths (JB)**

JB said that the footpaths through the village were in good order.

CP asked about dog bins and who and when they would be emptied. KF

##### **c) Trees and Village Green (NG)**

NG stated that there were no problems with the trees. SY mentioned that he was having difficulty obtaining plantings to fill the holes at the parking area of the Green. KF

##### **d) Highways (SY)**

SY said that the HCC Dragon Patcher had been out in the village. One pothole at the bottom had been filled but a second one was OK.

##### **e) General Maintenance.**

It was reported that the sign on the top road from the Milbury's was down again.

KF

##### **f) HCC & WCC Reports.**

## **7. DISCUSSION ON COUNCILLOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES.**

The Chairman explained the importance of Councillors having specific areas of responsibility and at the start of a new four-year term it was essential that these should be reviewed. It was agreed that they be reviewed at the next meeting. CP suggested that the outcomes of the Parish Plan should be consulted, and the PC should be proactive in these areas.

It was reported that Victoria Cumberlege was the local Neighbourhood Watch co-ordinator.

## **8. BROADBAND.**

JB stated that the group had pursued High Speed Broadband as far as they can go at present. Flick Drummond MP organised a meeting at the Flowerpots which was well attended, however the Open Reach Engineer did not turn up. The group were frustrated as it could take five years.

However, there was just a slight possibility that the vouchers may be unfrozen.

Graham Cresswell was preparing an update.

## **9. PLANNING.**

Nil.

## **10. OPEN FORUM.**

Graham Tarbuck suggested that it should be someone's responsibility to keep in contact with the National Trust. He felt that the Itchen required someone responsible.

## **11. CORRESPONDENCE.**

SDNP Boomtown residents meeting

CAB Summer Party 21<sup>st</sup> June '22

WCC Resilient community funding, Crowdfund projects, Your Council Views

Victim Support

Esso Update

Elan City

CPRE Hants Views

David Hill re seat funds

HCC Update on M3 junction, Passenger Transport Forum

## **12. ACCOUNTS.**

The Clerk gave details of the current financial position.

### **TO PAY**

Zurich Municipal Insurance	£214.00
Cartridges	£34.08
Clerk's exps. incl Back Pay	£209.00
HCC Paper	£22.12
Proposed Mr Gerrard	Seconded Mr Parry

## **13. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA.**

Councillor responsibilities.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 7.58pm.

## **14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING 19th JULY 2022**