

DOWN ST MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting held on Tuesday 11th February 2020 in the Village Hall

Present: Mr J. Tucker, Mrs J. Giles-Bullock, Mr M. Austin, Mr P. Seller, Mrs P. Rogers, Mr A. Clark and Mr A. Martin [Clerk]

In attendance: Mr P. Escott & Ms B. Blackwell

Apologies: Mrs M. Squires

[2020/1/1] The **Minutes** of the meeting held on 14th January which had been circulated were approved subject to an addition about the possibility of replacing the benches at Morchard Road.

[2] Matters Arising: There was no improvement to the state of Yeo Road. It was impossible to avoid the potholes. Complaint to be forwarded to Devon Highways and Mrs. Squires. At least one Devon parish is considering using a lengthsman.

[3] Correspondence: A] Western Power planned to install a new ground mounted transformer. There would be some disruption. Further details would be supplied later.

B] The electoral review had now been published. Down St Mary would be included in a combined Upper Yeo & Taw ward which would have 2 councillors. The Council had no objection.

C] Complaint about bonfires. This was not a Parish Council matter.

D] Drains. Advice had been given about the responsibility of landowners to maintain drainage ditches. It was suggested that copies of this advice be circulated to the relevant landowners in the parish.

[4] Village Hall. A new cooker and microwave has been installed. A carpenter is due to repair the dado rail shortly. A skittles evening was to be held on 27th March.

[5] FINANCIAL REPORT 11/2/2020

Current Account Balance as at 31/12/2019 £7,603.66

RECEIPTS:

None

PAYMENTS:

Cheques Cashed:

Signed Date

370 Information Commissioner [Renewal of License] £40.00

Balance as at 31/1/2020 £7,563.66

Cheque not yet cashed

371 C.J. Barber [Tree Cutting] £440.00

Requests for Payment:

Village Hall Rent £90.00

PKF [External Auditor] £48.00

Business Reserve Account Balance as at 7/11/2019 £11,551.80

Interest for November..... £1.84

Interest for December £2.03

Balance as at 7/1/2020 £11,555.67

The requests for payment were agreed.

[6] Planning: Listed Building Consent for the restoration of Linhay barn

Chaffcombe Manor Copplestone Crediton Devon EX17 5LE

Ref. No: 20/00011/LBC

The Council had no objection.

Date of next meeting: Tuesday 10th March

Future Dates:

Tuesday 14th April, Tuesday 12th May, Tuesday 14th July, Tuesday 11th September,

Tuesday 13th October, Tuesday 10th November, Tuesday 8th December.

Signed Date