CRUWYS MORCHARD PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Council meeting was held in Cruwys Morchard Parish Hall on Thursday 14th April 2016 at 8 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mrs S. Smyth (Chairman), Mr D. Berry, Mr M. Lake, Mr G. Hall, Mr N. Baker, Mrs J. Mitchell, Mr A. Chave, Cllr P. Colthorpe (District Councillor)

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The minutes of the meeting held on 10th March 2016 had already been circulated prior to the meeting.

Proposal: Agreement to the content of the minutes was proposed by Mr. Berry and seconded by Mr Lake unanimously agreed by the meeting and duly signed by the chairman.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None

MATTER ARISING

The clerk stated that she had submitted the TAP Fund application and was awaiting a reply.

PLANNING APPLICATION (16/00435/FULL) – Erection of an agricultural storage building on land near West Ruckham, Pennymoor.

Discussion took place concerning the position and size of the storage building.

Proposal: Mr Berry proposed and Mr Lake seconded refusal of this application for the following reasons:

- 1. The size of land does not warrant a storage building of this size. Request more information on why such a large storage building is needed/required.
- 2. The entrance is on a green lane which is in constant use and traffic in and out could cause a danger to pedestrian users.

The meeting unanimously agreed.

DALC SUBSCRIPTION

The clerk stated that the DALC subscription for 2016-7 is £104.05.

Proposal: Mrs Smyth proposed and Mr Cave seconded payment of this amount and the meeting unanimously agreed. A cheque was duly drawn and signed by the chairman and clerk.

ACCOUNTS 2015-6

The clerk handed out a copy of the accounts for 2015-6.

Proposal: Mr Lake proposed and Mr Baker seconded acceptance of the accounts and the meeting unanimously agreed.

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RISK ASSESSMENT

A copy of the Risk Assessment document had previously been emailed to all attendees with no changes from last year.

Proposal: Mr Berry proposed and Mrs Mitchell seconded agreement of this document and the meeting unanimously agreed. The chairman signed and dated the Risk Assessment document.

STATEMENT OF CONTROL

A copy of the Statement of Control document had previously been emailed to all attendees with no changes from last year.

Proposal: Mrs Mitchell proposed and Mr Chave seconded agreement of this document and the meeting unanimously agreed. The chairman signed and dated the Statement of Control document.

CLERK'S SALARY 2015-6

The clerk handed out the details of her claim for salary for 2015-6 and then left the meeting.

A discussion took place about how much time the clerk worked on parish council business and how this had increased over the years due to more regulation requirements involving a maintaining a website and other issues. The clerk currently claims for 2 hours work per week.

Proposal: Mr Hall proposed and Mr Lake seconded agreement to the clerk being paid for 3 hours work per week based on the national salary scales at spinal point 27 and the meeting unanimously agreed. Cheques to the clerk and the HMRC (Income tax) were duly drawn and signed as follows:

 Clerk Salary
 £1926.73

 LESS Income Tax
 £ 385.20

 Plus expenses
 £ 39.53

 NET payment
 £1581.06

The clerk returned to the meeting

HIGHWAY PROBLEMS

The following problems were report:

- The clerk stated that the road between Pennymoor Cross and Way Village had been resurfaced last week, but several areas had already come away and it was felt that the work that had been done was wholly unacceptable and a waste of tax payers money. Several parishioners had also complained about the work together with the unevenness of the road surface.
- 2. Potholes at Pages Cross
- 3. Potholes between South Linhay and Ruckham Cross.

		Meeting closed 8:55 p.m.
Signed (Chairman)	Date	