**Minutes of Coldridge Parish Council Meeting 20:00 on Thursday May 12th 2022**

**Present:** **Councillors** Andrew Green, Marion Born, Chris Burrows, Jeff Burrows Jim Sampson John Quick MDDC Councillor Peter Heal DCC Councillor Margaret Squires

**Clerk** Keyth Richardson

**Apologies** John Smith

two members of the public attended.

**Open Forum.** No issues were brought to the Council

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| 2022/23 -18 | **Election of Chairman** | Andrew Green was proposed by Marion Born seconded by Chris Burrows and elected unopposed |
| 2022/23-19 | **Election of Vice-Chairman** | John Smith was proposed by Chris Burrows seconded by Marion Born and elected unopposed |
| 2022/23-20 | **Recording of meetings** | The meeting was not being recorded |
| 2022/23-21 | **Apologies** | John Smith who is currently in hospital |
| 2022/23-22 | **Declarations of interest** | None reported. |
| 2022/23-23 | **Minutes** | The minutes of the meeting on March 17th 2022, were approved and signed |
| 2022/23-24 | **To agree and sign the Certificate of Exemption as part of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return [AGAR] 2022/22** | This was agreed and signed |
| 2022/23-25 | **To agree and sign the Annual Governance Statement for 2021/22** | This was agreed and signed |
| 2022/23-26 | **To agree and sign the Accounting Statements of the Annual Return for 2021/22** | This was agreed and signed |
| 2022/23-27 | **To select up to two representatives for the Village Hall Committee** | Keyth Richardson and Chris Burrows were proposed by Marion Born, seconded by Jim Sampson and elected unopposed |
| 2022/23-28 | **Clerks Progress report for information** | None |
| 2022/23-29 | **Finance** | The following payments were agreed   * 1. Clerk’s wages £208.40   2. Clerk’s expenses £26.81   3. DALC payment of £84.81   4. BHIB Insurance £158.74   5. H Smith grass cutting 2021/22 £200   6. A Kendall clock winding for 2021/22 £30   7. Zoom annual licence £71.94 |
| 2022/23-30 | **Highways** | The drain between Black Dog and Newton Cottages has been jetted but there is now a large gully on each side of the road due to erosion and these need re-instating to original width. The grids should stay in the same place. This is a significant structural repair, but it is unclear when or if this will be completed.  It was agreed, following advice for Cllr Squires, that the parish council would produce a specific list of priorities for a face-to-face meeting with Stephen Tucker. One item for this list is the excessive destruction of the sides of the roads by contractors apparently clearing the area around drains. All Councillors were asked to send the Clerk information and photographs so he can compile this report, which will be copied to Cllr Squires  Items mentioned at the meeting include the “sump buster” between Thorn Corner and West Leigh  There was discussion on why DCC had given to contract to someone other than Johnny Butt, who is recognised locally as someone who knows how to do the job professionally, and it seems it was due to his firm being quite small and unable to bid for DCC-wide contacts.  The road from Pennycott to Blackditch is ideal for the Dragon Patcher, but it is not clear when this may be done.  Sewage in the highway at East Leigh- Cllr Heal will raise this again with Steve Densham on Tuesday 18th |
| 2022/23-31 | **Planning** | After a discussion the clerk was asked to raise the concerns about the outbuilding at Long Parks doubling in height with MDDC enforcement, and to let Cllr Heal know when this has been done. |
| 2022/23-32 | **Platinum Jubilee** | **Thursday 2nd June**  CB to prepare beacon and be responsible for lighting it  BBQ and gas ordered by MEB, and collected by CB return to be decided on  Shaun and Matt are going to cook the BBQ  AG will arrange the purchase of 4x48 boxes of burgers, 200 sausages, rolls to suit the above, possibly via John Smith, cheese for cheeseburgers, onions, red sauce, brown sauce, 400 serviettes (possibly from MB)  Bar to be stocked and staffed CB to talk to Andy Fitch to confirm/arrange this.  AG to bring over chairs from Chilverton  Tables to be brought out if needed  Hall open for toilets  **Sunday 5th June**  Clerk to visit all the houses affected by the road closure to explain the situation and possible places to park outside the centre of the village, and explain about church service cars  Cones to be put out by 10:00  Chairs as above from AG  Tables to be removed from hall at 10:30 and set up in the square AG/JQ/MB/SB  Church service at 11:00 till 11:40/45  All cars of churchgoers to be removed immediately after the service  12:00 AG welcomes all to the event  12:03 presentation of coins to under 18-year-olds  12:20 coins presented to those who have bought one  13:00 loyal toast by AG  Close and tidy up as and when tables to hall, chairs to AG |
| 2022/23- 33 | **Councillor’s reports** | A Land Rover at Allerbridge seemed to have been parked there without moving, and this will be followed up by the Chairman.  Cllr Heal reported that Honorary Aldermen for MDDC were being presented at a ceremony for those councillors who had contributed many years of service to MDDC and had retired. |
| 2022/23-34 | **Dates of next meetings** | Dates for 2022 are July 21st, September 22nd and November 24th. |

The meeting closed at 21.30

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