

CRUWYS MORCHARD PARISH COUNCIL

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

1 MEMBERS PRESENT

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

2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Mr G. Kingdom (Family commitments), Mr. N. Baker (Holiday)

3 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The minutes of the meeting held on 13th October 2016 had already been circulated prior to the meeting.

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

4 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Mr Berry declared a personal interest for Churchyard Grants

5 MATTERS ARISING

None

6 PLANNING APPLICATION (ENF/16/00269/NUDRU) Unauthorised carrying out of engineering operations and excavation work on agricultural land to create a slurry pit at Pulsards Farm, Pennymoor

The clerk stated that there had been a meeting to discuss the above at Mid Devon DC on the previous Wednesday and Mr Lake had attended. It had been decided that the slurry pit must be filled in and the land returned to its former condition.

The clerk was asked to email Joanna Cavill, Enforcement Officer offering support for the above action and asking whether the Devon hedge, which had been removed must also be replaced as it was thought this was a criminal offence and would incur a fine.

Joanna Cavill had asked that all activity with regard to the above be monitored by the neighbours and any issues brought to her attention.

7 CHURCHYARD GRANTS

Mr D. Berry left the meeting

A short discussion took place.

Proposal: Mr Hall proposed and Mr Chave seconded keeping the payments the same as last year as follows:

Holy Cross Church - £250.00

Nomansland Chapel - £125.00

Way Village Chapel - £125.00

The meeting unanimously agreed and cheques were duly drawn and signed by the chairman and clerk.

Mr D. Berry rejoined the meeting

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8 PRECEPT 2017/8

The clerk gave out budget details for 2017/8. A discussion took place additional payments that may occur for the Parish Council next year, due to cut backs from Mid Devon District Council and Devon County Council.

Proposal: Mr Lake proposed and Mrs Mitchell seconded a precept of £3,850.00 for the year 2017/8 and the meeting unanimously agreed.

9 GRIT BINS

The clerk stated that 2 new grit bins had now been delivered to Way Village with the bigger one to be place opposite Middleway Farm and the other near to the T junction at Way Village, and once in situ she will contact Devon CC to arrange for them to added to the grit bin map so they can be filled up with grit.

The cost of the 2 bins was £202.04 and due to the urgency, they were paid for by bank transfer (Debit card).

10 DEFIBRILLATOR

The clerk confirmed that she had received confirmation from Cruwys Morchard Young Farmers that they do not want to be involved in looking after a defibrillator, but once the phone box outside The Cruwys Arms is purchased it could be used to house the defibrillator.

Mrs Smyth stated that Nomansland had raised the majority of the money to purchase a defibrillator which could be situated at the Mount Pleasant Inn, Nomansland. Cllr Squires stated that she could provide some monies from her locality fund (£250.00) which hopefully would be enough to buy the required unit. Mrs Smyth is to look into which defibrillator is required and what the overall cost will be.

Discussion took place about also buying a defibrillator for Pennymoor, but it was decided that this would be looked again once Nomansland had purchased theirs and then costs and maintenance could be reviewed.

Meeting closed 9:00 p.m.

Signed (Chairman)..... Date.....