# **CRUWYS MORCHARD PARISH COUNCIL**

Parish Council meeting was held in Cruwys Morchard Parish Hall on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2017 at 8 p.m.

#### 1 MEMBERS PRESENT

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

#### 2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Mr N. Baker (Holiday), Cllr M. Squires (County Councillor) (Attending another meeting)

#### 3 **NON-ATTENDANCE**

Mr. G. Kingdom

### 4 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The minutes of the meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> April 2017 had already been circulated prior to the meeting.

**Proposal**: Agreement to the content of the minutes was proposed by Mrs Mitchell and seconded by Mr. Chave and was unanimously agreed by the meeting and duly signed by the chairman.

#### 5 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None

## 6 MATTERS ARISING

Mrs Colthorpe reported that she had been in touch with the Enforcement Officer at Mid Devon DC who was going to inspect the slurry pit at Pulsards Farm to see if it had been filled in. Mr Lake confirmed that it had in fact now been filled in although the displaced hedgerow had not been replaced.

### 7 ANNUAL RETURN

### a) Annual Governance Statement 2016/17

The clerk read out all the questions and the meeting answered YES to them all.

**Proposal:** Mr Berry proposed and Mrs Mitchell seconded agreement and the meeting unanimously agreed. The Chair and Clerk duly signed and dated Section 1 of the Annual Return.

#### b) Accounting Statements 2016/17

The meeting unanimously agreed the accounting statement.

**Proposal:** Mr Hall proposed and Mr Chave seconded agreement and the meeting unanimously agreed. The chair and clerk duly signed and dated Section 2 of the Annual Return.

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#### 8 INSURANCE RENEWAL

The Clerk stated that she had received the annual insurance renewal from Community First which was for £166.01.

**Proposal**: Mr Lake proposed and Mr Hall seconded payment of the insurance and the meeting unanimously agreed. A cheque was duly drawn and signed by the chair and clerk

The clerk was asked to find out the additional insurance cost to cover theft and damages to the new bought defibrillator.

### 9 PENWOOD HOUSE - Hedge and bank protection

The clerk stated that she had received a request from the residents at Penwood House, Pennymoor seeking approval from the Parish Council to place some large baulks of oak on the bank/hedge opposite Pennymoor Timber to try and stop the large lorries that deliver to the timber yard destroying the bank/hedge which is along their field.

After a short discussion, the meeting gave no objections to this proposal.

#### 10 S106 PUBLIC OPEN SPACE FUNDING

The clerk stated that she had received revised policy of S106 Public Open Space funding which asked parish councils to provide details of any proposed projects within the remit of this policy for allocating future finds. It stated that if no projects were given then the option to use the funds would close.

After some discussion, the meeting asked Cllr Colthorpe to find out the following:

- 1. If no projects were forthcoming, does this mean that future projects that may arise will NEVER be accepted.
- 2. How will the funds be allocated i.e parish, group of parishes etc
- 3. What happens to the funds if they are not allocated?
- 4. Could the parishes be given an annual update of the funds available

## 11 HIGHWAY PROBLEMS

The following highway problems were reported:

- Two large potholes near the small bridge on the B3137 near the boundary to Withleigh.
- Road surface at Pages Cross is getting very dangerous
- Flashing lights at either end of Nomansland still not working

		Meeting closed 8:47 p.m.
Signed (Cl	Chairman)D	)ate