

# Melverley Parish Council

Meeting of **Melverley Parish Council** held by Zoom on **2<sup>nd</sup> September 2020 at 7.30 pm**

**Present:** Cllrs Rosy Harding, Sally Herbert-Jones, Cath Jones, Roger Jones

In attendance: Ian Cruise-Taylor – Parish Clerk

- 20.06 Apologies were noted from Cllr Mark Edwards. It was also noted that numerous attempts to contact Cllr Matt Lee from Shropshire Council had received no response and it was agreed that the matter should be escalated, to the Leader of the Conservative Group on Shropshire Council
- 20.07 Public session: There were no members of the public
- 20.08 All councillors present reaffirmed their Declarations of Interest
- 20.09 The minutes of the meetings held on 4<sup>th</sup> March 2020 and 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2020 were unanimously approved, subject to a change in 19.78 to add 'excluding local traffic'
- 20.10 To receive updates on:  
**Flood defence developments** – Cllr Sally Herbert-Jones reported on a meeting of the Flood Forum, notes previously circulated.
- Members were concerned that improvements at Maesbrook made matters worse for Melverley residents, this would be picked up with the Environment Agency.
  - Martin Davies will join the Flood Forum
  - Shropshire Council is to receive funding for flood defence improvements, and plans are being proposed, linked to the North West Relief Road, which include a dam and embankment which could impact negatively on Pentre in particular
  - The Flood Forum is meeting with Mark Barrow from Shropshire Council for further discussions on the proposals being drawn up

**Defibrillator developments** – Cllr Rosy Harding confirmed that order had been placed and the Parish Clerk confirmed that the cheque had been cashed. A suitable cabinet had been ordered. It was agreed that when the qualified electrician installs the cabinet, provision is made for a suitable light.

**Other matters at Chairman's discretion:** members raised highways issue such as potholes and it was agreed that all should contact the Parish Clerk, detailing specific locations and issues for passing on to Shropshire Council.

- 20.11 Council received and unanimously approved the expenditure and bank reconciliation:

## 20.11(1) Payments

Payments to August	method	amount
Clerk salary Mar-August	chq/OL	£792.78
HMRC	chq/OL	£527.79
Insurance 20-21	OL	£261.78
SALC renewal	OL	£125.22
Web renewal	OL	£28.78

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Audit fee	chq	£100.00
Defib cabinet	OL	£516.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>£2,352.35</b>

## 20.11(2) Reconciliation:

Balance brought forward from Year End 31st March 2020	£4,066.08
Add: Receipts to date	£4,165.94
payments of 2019-20 cheques banked	£1,146.10
Less: Payments to date 2020-2021	£2,352.35
<b>Closing Balance at 30th August 2020</b>	<b>£4,733.57</b>

## Bank Balances as at 30 August 2020:

Current account 70622206	£4,858.79
less unpresented cheques/payments	£125.22
	<b>£4,733.57</b>

- 20.12 Correspondence: to consider and agree actions in response to:  
(i) Housing Strategy – no comments  
(ii) Planning rule changes – no comments  
(iii) Draft Local Plan – it was agreed to contact the Parish Clerk at Kinnerley regarding a meeting between Chairmen to consider the Draft Local Plan and Flood related matters
- 20.13 Items for discussion at next meeting: (not for debate or decision):  
Budget and Precept reports,  
Flooding (to be a regular item)
- 20.14 Councillors noted the proposed dates of next meetings:  
11<sup>th</sup> November 2020  
6<sup>th</sup> January 2021  
3<sup>rd</sup> March 2021  
12<sup>th</sup> May 2021

Signed ..... Chairman – Melverley Parish Council

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