

**Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2022 at 7.30pm**

**Apologies**

Cllr Brock, Cllr Rainbow

**Present**

Chairman Mr Bust, Mr Paris, Mrs Herbert, Mrs Simmonds, Mr Bevens, Mr Subramanian, Mrs Godfrey, clerk Mr Rickett, FO Mrs Rickett  
2 members of the public

**Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman**

Chairman Mr Bust – unanimous

Vice chairman Mr Paris – unanimous

**Election of other officers**

Christmas charities – Mr Bust and Mr Paris

Press – Mr Paris

Transport – Mrs Herbert

NALC representative – next meeting

Snow/flood warden – Mr Bust

Flag – Mr Bust

Crime reduction -Mr Paris

Internal auditor – Mr Martindale

Financial officer – Mrs Rickett

**Signing of declarations**

These were signed by the Chairman and Vice Chairman

**Minutes of the previous meeting were signed as a true and correct record**

**Declaration of Councillors interests**

None

**Village Hall**

The hall is being let for 6 weeks to a Mr Lloyd for £650 per month, his lease has run out on his current premises and his new premises are not yet ready. He has 24 hour access, as he does rehabilitation work with stroke victims etc and end of life care

All current bookings stand and he will remove his equipment as necessary, the small equipment will be stored in the store room

Boundary wall – awaiting replies

Emergency lights ongoing

The dandelions in the car park need spraying  
Mr Bevans to confer with the FO to see about setting up card payments  
Mrs Herbert to supervise the rehangng of the curtains  
The question has been raised about a PA loop system, approx £200 – Mr Subramanian to look into  
The serving hatch door needs a new hinge – clerk to see to  
Cleaners – put on next agenda

### **Allotments**

It was agreed unanimously not to let a previous tenant have an allotment due to him not abiding by the rules

Water supply – the clerk has been contacted by Brackenhurst College and someone will come in the autumn to have a look at laying the hedge

The quote for the connection runs out 17 June 2022

Agreed to have the standpipe in the middle of the allotments – clerk to see to

A new gate and bridge could possibly cost up to £2000, a suggestion was made to go up to £2500

Agreed 6 for 1 against having the water connected and to revisit the gate and bridge afterwards – clerk to see to

### **Jubilee**

The bonfire will be in Mr and Mrs Godfreys field behind the Hall, Mr Godfrey and Mr Bust to organise

The Hall will open at 7.30pm for strawberries and prosecco, and the village photos will be shown. Mrs Herbert to organise the strawberries and cream and Mr Subramanian to supply the prosecco. Mr Parish will hand out the mugs and show the photos, he also agreed to supply the flyers

The list of mug recipients has to be finalised, other suggestion are the school staff, the 3 Cllrs, Laughton, Rainbow and Brock, the Waggon, dog groomers, hairdressers and the vicar depending on how many are left

The Waggon will host the Royal quiz on Friday and there will be a picnic on Sunday in the Waggon field

### **Willow tree**

Maplebeck tree services would do it for £612.00 plus VAT in the winter months, but would need to survey the electric wires around it

Mrs Denyer had seen another firm advertising and was asked to get a price from them

### **Correspondence**

We had received a letter concerning archiving news letters, Mr Bevans will look into this

### **Open meeting**

A question was raised concerning St Helens Lane, at a previous meeting the owners of a house on St Helens Lane, had told the PC that they needed to do some work there as it was becoming difficult to access their drive and they would make sure it stayed a green lane. It was suggested that the grass had been shaved down to the mesh, which they had said

they would not do. The clerk was asked to write and ask them to confirm if they were doing what they at previously stated

**Planning**

The Dials Gray Lane  
Outline application for erection of a dormer bungalow within the garden area  
with all matters reserved  
1 letter of objection had been received  
Unanimously against 7  
Comments – outline can let in extra planning  
Over intensification of the site  
Infront of the building line  
The PC would like more information

**Finance**

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| Agreed unanimously to pay              |        |
| Dog bin 6 months                       | 231.60 |
| Cleaners reissue (cheque not received) | 32.00  |
| Insurance (fixed for 3 years)          | 596.08 |

**Items for the next agenda**

NALC representative  
Cleaners

**Date of next meeting**

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2022 at 7.30pm

As there was no further business the meeting closed at 9.10pm