

Quarnford Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held Monday 12th November 2018

Present: Councillors G Wentworth, K Kidd, G Tunnicliffe. J Nash (Clerk)

11/18/01	Apologies
	Apologies were received from Gill Heath, Chris Candy and Eddie Kidd
11/18/02	Minutes of meeting held 13 August 2018
	Minutes were approved and signed by the Chair, proposed Gary Wentworth, seconded Geoff Tunnicliffe
11/18/03	Matters arising
	Reply received from Orchard Farm re speeding/gates. Letter on file. New councillor documentation passed to Karen Kidd for completion. Janet will submit it.
11/18/04	Accounts
	<p>Bank account:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Business Reserve - £782.63 Current Account – £2437.32</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">J Nash (Clerk) - £120.83 HMRC PAYE - £24.20 Quarnford Memorial Hall - £12 Information Commissioner’s Office - £40</p> <p>Income:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Marie Frodsham (defib batteries and pads) - £11 SMDC (2nd half of annual precept) - £650</p> <p>Janet explained that all parish councils are required to register with the ICO following the GDPR exercise carried out earlier this year. Fee for doing so is £50.</p> <p>Marie has kindly donated £11 from her Christmas fair. This amount is to be ringfenced and only used for new batteries and pads for the defibrillator.</p> <p>Accounts were approved – Proposed: Gary Wentworth, seconded: Geoff Tunnicliffe</p> <p>NatWest has sent confirmation that Chris is now an authorised signatory.</p>
11/18/05	Playing field
	The report previously prepared by Councillors at their special meeting in June was presented to Staffs County Council Property Sub-committee on 7 th November. The resolution was: <i>“That approval be given to the granting of a 25 year lease, at a peppercorn rental, of the playing field at the former Flash Primary School to Quarnford Parish Council for use for community purposes.”</i>

	<p>As it is unlikely that this decision will be 'called in', Ruth Edwards will draft some terms of the lease for consideration at this stage. However, before this is signed we need to await formal approval from the diocese because of the access along the side of the churchyard.</p> <p>In the meantime Janet will ask for a quote for any additional insurance required.</p>
11/18/06	Village events
	<p>Barn Dance – raised £273 Race Night - £414 Moorlanders – a play about Flash and Quarnford, by Borderland Voices held 9th Nov Stitching club takes place every two weeks. Christmas Fair 17th November</p>
11/18/07	Planning
	<p>Moss End Farm – change of use from agricultural to residential – planning permission granted.</p>
11/18/08	Highways
	<p>Potholes etc – SCC Highways have been working hard to fill these and Councillors felt they had done a good job in general. Knotbury road still outstanding.</p> <p>Road behind Roaches/ Roach End. Several potholes, some marked some not. Janet will report.</p>
11/18/9	Correspondence
	<p>Janet tendered her resignation following nearly 5 years as Clerk to the Parish Council. Gary and Janet will now start the recruitment process to find another Clerk.</p> <p>Gill Heath has offered £80 from her Councillors Community Initiative Fund towards the cost of replacing the defib pads and batteries. Janet will complete the forms and submit.</p> <p>Leek Moorlands Hospital – letters of support wanted plus attendance at meeting 13th Nov 5pm at 15 Stockwell St, Leek. Councillors asked Janet to write in support and gave several examples of their use of services at the hospital. (Copy of letter on file)</p> <p>Moorlands Radio – information re help the radio station can give to publicise community events</p> <p>Call for evidence – Landscapes review, National Parks.</p> <p>Elections - 2nd May. A reminder that all councillors need to put themselves forward for re-election. Please read and complete your packs when they arrive. Last time some people didn't return their forms and the parish council was inquorate/non-existent for a while!</p> <p>John Higginbottom, local resident, wishes to alert councillors to the government clean air strategy. The consultation period is now officially over but Councillors were not aware</p>

	<p>of the strategy. It will probably mean that low income families in rural areas are likely to be particularly hard hit as they more frequently buy cheapest housecoal or small quantities of logs from garages etc. These sources of fuel are both heavily polluting and under the policy, likely to be phased out. A campaign to raise this issue is getting off the ground, there is a need to consult with people who it actually affects rather than just the industry etc. Janet will investigate further.</p> <p><u>DofE</u> feedback questionnaire. Peak Park are rewriting guidelines for leaders and want residents' feedback about the scheme. Questionnaire was completed and Janet will return it. Document on file.</p> <p><u>Tea Dance</u> – Karen Bradley MP (for noticeboard)</p> <p><u>Scam mail</u> awareness – poster (for noticeboard)</p> <p><u>Icebusters.</u> A quantity of salt can be delivered for use by the parish council in public areas. Karen Kidd agreed to be the contact. Janet will pass her details to Dave Rushton, Highways.</p>
11/18/10	Any other business
	None
11/18/11	Date and time of next meeting
	Monday February 4th 7.30