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The Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 1st February 2023 at East Anstey Primary School at 7.30pm

Present: Cllr's Mrs H Warne (Chair), R Gibson, Ms J Gannon, R Milton, and Miss L Moore.

In attendance: County Cllr J Yabsley, District Cllr E Ley, two members of the public and the Clerk, Mrs J Larcombe

80/02/23. To receive apologies and note the resignation of Cllr John Griffin. Apologies were accepted from Cllr I Vigus. Councillors noted the resignation of Cllr Griffin for personal reasons, and he was thanked for all his work.

81/02/23. Disclosure of interests in items on the agenda. Cllr Ms Moore declared a personal and pecuniary interest in item 90/02/23 as she would like the bridleway diverted away from her property.

82/02/23. To agree the minutes of the meeting held on 5th December 2022 as an accurate record of the meeting. The minutes were agreed as an accurate record of the meeting.

83/02/23. Matters arising from the minutes, not included on the agenda. There were no matters arising.

84/02/23. Planning

a) To make a recommendation on any planning applications received by the council before the meeting. No applications received.

b) To note any decisions made on planning applications by NDC. No decision notices received.

c) Any other planning matters. A residential caravan has been moved on site at Pigginswood Stables.

85/02/23. Public Questions. A member of the public introduced herself as the new owner of Pigginswood Stables, which has been renamed Maybank Farm. She told the meeting about her plans for the land and stables and her need to live on the site. She said she had been in contact with NDC for pre-planning advice prior to submitting a planning application for change of use from equestrian to agricultural and temporary permission for a static caravan.

86/02/23. Highways:

a) Any highways issues. There was concern about the amount of potholes on the B3227 and they have resulted in a number of damaged wheels and tyres. It was reported the system for making claims for the damage is not easy. Cllr

Yabsley said highways were only repairing potholes at the moment and were not carrying out other work. He told councillors the hierarchy for reporting potholes was Neighbourhood Highways Officer, County Councillors and Town and Parish Councillors. Everyone was advised to keep reporting potholes. If potholes haven't already been reported claims cannot be made. The pothole needs to have sharp edges. Cllr Yabsley will be meeting with the Neighbourhood Highways Officer to look at roads in his ward so that applications can be made for future work.

b) Temporary Traffic Notice - road closure from Barton Cross to Rhyll Gate Cross, East Anstey on 28th February (TTRO2348239). Noted. Cllr Yabsley reported that lots of closures have been put back.

87/02/23. Reports

a) District Cllr. Cllr Ley noted the planning situation was quiet for East Anstey parish. He warned there will be a minimum 5% increase to NDC's share of the Council Tax. Grants were available for community buildings during a short window over Christmas.

b) County Cllr. Cllr Yabsley said there will be roughly a 5% increase in DCC's share of the Council Tax. The Ambulance Service is now transferring patients into hospital without long waits.

88/02/23. Finance:

a) To approve invoices for payment. It was resolved to make the following payments: Mrs J Larcombe - £187.00 Clerk's salary for December and January and expenses (Payment ref: 2223/24)

HMRC - £40.00 PAYE (Payment ref: 2223/25)

b) To note any receipts since the last meeting and the bank balances.

Since the last meeting bank interest of £9.92 has been received

Current account balance: £3,314.23.

Instant Access account balance: £3,072.14

c) To agree additional bank signatories. With all councillors coming to an end of their term of office on 9th May, following the Town and Parish Council Elections on 4th May, there is a risk that the Parish Council will be left without 2 bank signatories. Councillors were asked to think about whether they would standing for election again ahead of the next meeting so that additional bank signatories could be added to ensure payments could continue to be made following the election.

89/02/23. Play Area

a) Any issues arising from playground inspections. No issues reported.

b) To agree who will carry out inspections until the next meeting. Cllr Mrs Warne will carry out the inspections.

c) Progress with applying for funding for new play equipment. The Clerk reported she had met with a play equipment supplier at the playing field and has received a quote for some suggested equipment. The Chair and Clerk plan to meet to discuss the quote and grant application.

90/02/23. Proposed diversion of Bridleway No. 6 East Anstey, Informal Consultation.

Cllr Ms Moore, declared a pecuniary and personal interest and took no part in the discussion on this item. The Clerk reported that she hadn't received the initial letter from the Rights of Way Department and had asked for an extension to the consultation period. Cllr Yabsley said he was supporting the proposal. The Parish Council agreed to support the proposal. Cllr Mrs Warne abstained.

91/02/23. To discuss whether to hold an event to mark the coronation. The weekend of the Coronation is going to be a busy weekend for the Chair and some other members of the Parish Council due to a wedding on 6th May. It will not be possible to arrange another event.

92/02/23. Correspondence. There was no further correspondence.

93/02/23. To agree the date and venue of the next meeting. The next meeting was moved to Tuesday 7th March 2023.

Signed:
Chair

Date: