**Present:**

Chairperson - Councillor P Bayes

Councillors -T Bowskill - A Gee – T Brownbridge - R Hopkins - S Matchett – A White

Cllr David Rose

**Also in attendance:**

A McCardle Clerk, and 1 member of the public.

**DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE AND PERSONAL INTERESTS**

There were no new declarations.

**ITEM 1**

**APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

None

**ITEM 2**

**MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS HELD TUESDAY 2nd July and TUESDAY 6th August 2024**

Due to the Clerk accidentally missing a topic from the July minutes, these were amended and ratified along with the minutes from August. Both sets of minutes were proposed as a true record by Cllr Gee and seconded by Cllr Hopkins.

**ITEM 3**

**MATTERS ARISING**

It was noted that the land disputed at the tribunal has had Heras fencing installed around it. This is no longer a Parish Council matter until the owner of the land is proven.

The overgrown field to the rear of Firth Lane is becoming an issue for a resident as the overgrowth is spilling onto their property. The Clerk would contact the council to see if they could contact the owner.

The Bridlepath at South Thorne Bank Drain is in very poor condition and unfit to be ridden on. The clerk would contact Colin Wilkinson at NLC to see if something can be done.

A painting of The Church by Cllr Matchett is to be used at the gates to the village on Woodside Lane. The cost would be £240 plus VAT, and it was agreed that Cllr Bayes and Cllr Matchett would arrange for this to be installed.

The new Parish Noticeboard is ready, the banking beneath will be slightly graded, and a low supporting wall built. The art class will provide carvings and create a nameplate. This is to be done as soon as possible.

**ITEM 4**

**FINANCIAL MATTERS**

Balance of HSBC Accounts:

* Community Account 10,415.48
* Money Manager Account 669.92

Accounts for Payment:

* Clerks Salary August 368.25
* Bank Charges 11.00
* Gallagher Insurance 983.85
* Woollas Security 96.00

Cllr Gee proposed payment of the accounts for June 2024 seconded by Cllr Bowskill, and all agreed.

1. Public Works Loan – The Clerk would apply for a public works loan of £40,000 in order to pay the outstanding court costs. It was discussed and agreed that this would be over 10 years on an annuity repayment.

Proposed by Cllr Gee, seconded by Cllr Matchett and all agreed.

1. The Clerk has started the application for internet banking.

**ITEM 5**

**PLANNING MATTERS**

* PA/2024/1011 1 Brooke Terrace – New Application. ***No comments.***
* PA/2024/747 Groudle Glen –***Approved***
* PA/2024/542 Chester Farm -***Approved***

**ITEM 6**

**HIGHWAY/ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS**

* *Speeding Cars –* Cllr Rose stated that a community grant may be available to have flashing speed signs erected at the entrances to the village. The Clerk would look into this.
* Potholes – It was discussed that the potholes on cove road are very bad.
* Highways – Issues remain with roads, drains, and hedging. Weeds are already growing through the new tarmac coatings on the pavements. The Clerk would write a letter to Highways at NLC.

**ITEM 7**

**ALLOTMENTS**

No further updates, as noted previously the Clerk is applying to the Public Works Loan Board to pay the court costs.

**ITEM 8**

**OUTSTANDING ITEMS**

None

**ITEM 10**

**COUNCILLORS REPORTS**

Cllr White informed that some residents were upset by the night harvesting and it was discussed that both sides should be seen. However, it was just for three nights and was an exceptional event.

Cllr Gee stated that there would be a Police patch walk on 19th September at 4.00pm.

Cllr Gee further stated that suspicious activity possibly involving drug dealing has been taking place at tunnel pits. The police are aware.

**ITEM 11**

**CORRESPONDENCE**

None.

**INFORMATION EXCHANGE**

None

The Chairman thanked members for their attendance and closed the meeting at 8.40 pm.

The next meeting will be Tuesday 1st October 2024.

Signed…………………………………………………….Chairman

Dated……………………………………………………