Goldcliff Community Council

Minutes of the meeting held at the Schoolroom Goldcliff 13th June 2024 at 7:30pm

Present: - Chair, Wayne Fox. Clirs: - R Preece, Jeff Rowland, Julia Waters, Brian Cork and Bob Dowsell

Also Present: - Mrs M Fox, Mrs C Dowsell, Mr M Owen, Ms L Macdonald, Ms G Nicholls and Mr and Mrs Ward.

Apologies for absence: - Councillor Martyn Kellaway, and Councillor E.Ford

- 1028 Minutes correct as of 9/5/2024 Proposed Councillor R Dowsell seconded Councillor Julia Waters
- **1029 Roads and Infrastructure**: A Site visit was arranged and attended by Councillor Bob Dowsell and Andrew Brooks (Service Manager Highways) for NCC. A discussion and tour of the 3 Parishes was carried out, although it became apparent during our meeting that not all of our concerns could be met by Mr Brooks as most were not within his remit. I have requested feedback and was promised this but as of now have not received any.
- 1030 Drainage and NRW A meeting with D Penny was convened and when he was asked the position of Monks Ditch as far as responsibility was concerned and replied that it was "River Authority" who were responsible! A concern was expressed that Monks Ditch appeared to have contamination present, possibly from the developments at Cotts Hill. Several people (Councillors included) had rung NRW to point this out and hadn't really been given a satisfactory answer. A concern had also been raised as to the method of cleaning the Reens in the area with the wrong type of bucket attachment damaging the walls
- **1031 Planning and Property:** The Planning application for the event room at the Farmers was questioned as it stated there was no issue with parking! It was felt that there is an issue "Now" let alone with added capacity at the Pub.
- **1032 Community Liaison.** A letter had been drafted to ask the Parishioners what they would like done with Whitson Hall which should have been distributed for comments ahead of this meeting with a view that the letter can be agreed at the next meeting. Some of the Councillors didn't get sight of this prior to the meeting but on the night, after reading with a few tweaks the letter was approved. Spring Flowers and Trees due to the wet weather the "Window" for planting the trees was lost, this will now be revisited in September.
- **1033 Hall Booking.** The initial booking for the Stitch Class was requested for the 4/7/2024 Unfortunately this clashed with the Booking for the General Election. Therefore, it has been changed to the 3/7/2024. A comment was made that a contribution was not fair to be expected, it was pointed out that if a payment was made it would be Voluntary.
- **1034 Trusteeship of the Hall Field.** Confusion still exists, as to who are the Trustees of the "Hall Field" Mr J Small is of the opinion that it is Councillors R Preece and E Ford and Mr J Small. Whereas the Council were informed some time ago that the Trustees were Councillors W Fox, E Ford and Mr J Small. Councillor R Preece is adamant that at no time has he been a Trustee. E Ford to follow up with J Small.
- **1035 Poor Ground --** Howard Dudley to be contacted.

1036 - Finance -

Balances - May meeting	5388.31	8162.44	13550.75
Insurance	-525.13		525.13
Hall rent	250		250
Electricity-	207.93		207.93

Balance 12 June 4905.25 8162.44 13067.69

Payments for approval

Electricity DD as above 207.93 Proposed B.D. Seconded J.R.

Grass cutting 140 Proposed J.W. Seconded J.R.

Transfer of 3000 to deposit

1037 - Annual return - the council considered and approved the Financial Statements and the individual declarations therein and approved the Annual return. Signed by Elaine ford and Wayne fox.



Correspondence

1038 - All correspondence has been emailed to Councillors.

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1039 – Use of the website is a legal necessity. So we as a Council will have to update on a regular basis,

The next Full Council meeting will take place on July 11th 2024 7:30pm