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Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 11th May 2023 at 6:30pm

Present: - Chair, Wayne Fox. Cllrs: - Elaine Ford, Julia Waters, Jeff Rowland, Roger Preece and Bob Dowsell

Also Present: - Ms M Fox, Mr and Ms P Ward, Mrs L Macdonald, Mrs J Dowsell, Ms J Evans and Mrs M Gilbert

Apologies for absence: - Councillor Brian Cork.

Coronation Mug Presentation

Prior to the AGM a presentation was made by Councillor Fox of a Coronation mug to most of the Parish Children, any who didn't attend will be given their mugs in due course.

AGM

Following the resignation of both the Chair and Vice Chair.

Councillor Rowland proposed that Councillor Fox be re-elected as Chair, seconded by Councillor Bob Dowsell

Councillor Preece proposed that Councillor Rowland be elected as Vice Chair, seconded by Councillor Ford.

Meeting

1. Matters arising.

Following contact with the Coop Bank it appears we have at least £10000 available to us as a Council.

- a. Future of Whitson Hall still needs to be decided – It was proposed charities be approached with a view to funding refurbishment.
A Rates Demand of £1600 for the Hall has been received basically because the Hall is not being used for "Charitable" purposes!! An appeal has been lodged - Ongoing.
- b. Councillor Rowlands attended the meeting of NRW, which apparently was a Finance meeting and unfortunately no new information was forthcoming.
- c. A Question was posed as to how much money was in the poor fund? This has been identified to be about £2050.
- d. Although some Road markings have been refurbished there is still concern about the state of the rest with a majority indistinct if not missing! Also, there is a marked deterioration in the state of the roads throughout the parishes. It appears that some work has started on the Bridge.
- e. An attempt to understand our position financially from "Historic" paperwork is proving difficult due to the fact that "Anna's" Cashbook is still not available – The COOP has accepted that we can go back through the accounts to establish which accounts are held and what state they are in. Ongoing

Correspondence



All correspondence has been emailed to Councillors.

The Audit Office return has been delayed.

Financial

The Bill for Welsh Water (£14.26) is to be paid to Councillor Ford.

AOB

A request was submitted that we petition NCC to bring in a 20mph speed limit on Porton Road, Saltmarsh Lane and Chapel Road. This request appears to need to go to the Police.

The setting up of a Spring Flower Meadow, on the outskirts of Goldcliff Common in recognition of Charles III Coronation, was proposed. Councillor Preece volunteered to supply the seed maybe supplemented by bought seed. Councillor Kellaway will be requested to ask if NCC are willing to donate some seed also.

A meeting at Goldcliff Common at 2:30pm on the 14th was proposed.

Coronation mugs are to be purchased, 36 in total to be given to the Children of the parishes and the eldest parishioners. This was accomplished at a cost of £451.06 -

A Deep clean and redecoration of the Schoolroom was discussed. Councillor Preece is to obtain quotes.

There being no other business the meeting was closed.

The next meeting will be held on 8 of June 2023 at 7:30pm