

Melchet Park & Plaitford Parish Council

Minutes of meeting held at New Forest Post Production Studio on 25th March 2019

Present

K Curtis (Chairman)

AW Porter

Councillor G Bailey (TVBC)

S Bowles

JPA Robson

N Curtis

CS Stacey

07/19 Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr N Adams-King (TVBC) and Councillor RJ Perry (HCC)

08/19 The minutes of the January 21st 2019 meeting were agreed and signed.

09/19 Interests

No interests were declared.

10/19 Matters Arising

Cllr Robson reported that the hedge on Sherfield English Road between Church Lane and the Pound had now been cut.

11/19 Members' Reports

Cllr Bailey reported that TVBC are in the process of purchasing a property in Alma Road, Romsey at the spot roundabout for the entrance to Waitrose, Mole Country Stores and the public carpark. It was the intention to widen the access off Alma Road to two-car widths so that traffic waiting at the Waitrose barrier didn't prevent vehicles entering the public carpark.

12/19 New Forest Folk Festival

It was noted that the Clerk had received copies of the Application for a Premises Licence.

13/19 Policies for Relationships at Work

It was agreed that the Clerk should update the current policy and produce the policies which were not in existence.

14/19 Welcome Pack for New Residents

This was considered to be an excellent idea which should be implemented.

15/19 Call for a Rural White Paper

It was agreed that the Parish Council should support this.

16/19 Finance

- a) The Budget Control was received and the Clerk informed that meeting that the end-of-year figure was only expected to be less by £18.
- b) Cheque no 310 for £262.79 to J Wright (salary) was approved and signed.

17/19 AOB

- a) It was noted that the road between the access to Stoneylands (the field) and the ford was very muddy. It was agreed that the Clerk should write to the owners of the farm.
- b) It was noted that the informal passing place by the Church was deep in mud. It was agreed that HCC should be approached with regard to making this a proper passing place.
- c) The state of Church Lane between the Church and Compton's Drive was of concern. Cllr Robson offered to initiate discussions with the owners of Manor Farm regarding the ownership of the verge and possible solutions.
- d) Cllr Stacey informed the meeting that the Village Hall Committee were looking to co-opt a member from the Parish Council. He offered to accept this role and this was agreed.

Meeting closed at 9.20 pm

Date of Next Meeting

Annual Parish Meeting	13 th May 2019 at 7.00pm in Plaitford Village Hall
Parish Council AGM	13 th May 2019 to follow contiguously from the above.