

MONYASH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 2 December 2013 in the Village Hall

Present: Chairman Cllr Mrs Jean Frost; Vice Chairman Cllr Mrs Joanna Scoggins; Cllr Mrs Rachel Tarr; Cllr Jeff Bamforth; Cllr Mrs P Riley

Parish Clerk Mrs Maureen Gee substituting for Mrs A Wales

Prior to the start of the meeting resident Mr P Cantrell asked whether or not the Council had received his re-application for planning permission to convert a barn at Willow Shallows into local needs accommodation. He explained that the planning officer who had been dealing with his original application was now on maternity leave and that the new planning officer required changes to be made to the access road. This had resulted in the original application having to be withdrawn and a revised application being made. The Chairman reported that the new application had not yet been received but assured Mr Cantrell that she would request the Clerk to pursue the matter and that as soon as it was received the Council would make every effort to make its comments known to PDNPA without delay.

79	<p>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:</p> <p>District Cllr D Frederickson; Parish Clerk Mrs A Wales due to illness</p>
80	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None
81	<p>MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:</p> <p>The Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 4 November 2013 were approved as a correct record.</p>
82	<p>PLANNING MATTERS:</p> <p>82.1 <i>Applications for consideration:</i> None received.</p> <p>82.2 <i>Planning Authority decisions for notification:</i> None received.</p> <p>82.3 <i>Other Planning Matters:</i></p> <p>Cllr Mrs Tarr reported that a resident had spoken to her about a proposed application for a barn on land adjoining his property. As the proposed development was agricultural the Council had not received any plans from the PDNPA and Members were therefore unable to make informed comments. It was agreed that the Clerk be requested to pursue the matter with the PDNPA as a matter of urgency.</p>
83	<p>FINANCE:</p> <p>83.1 <i>Payment Approvals:</i> Mrs A Wales: Clerk's remuneration and expenses for October-£145.80</p>

83.2	<i>Budget 2014/15:</i> The Chairman stated that expenditure in the current year has been unusual due to the playing field renovation project but that next year's finances should return to normal. In view of the current national financial situation Members agreed that the Precept should remain the same as last year i.e.£4000
84	RENOVATION OF SCHOOL PLAYING FIELD: Cllr Mrs Tarr reported that the contractor had discovered a blocked drain beneath the gatepost, which had probably been like that for many years and had most likely been a contributory factor to the field becoming waterlogged. The contractor had remedied this so it is hoped that additional work to the surrounds will not be necessary. The work meanwhile is continuing.
85	PARKING ON FROST MERE: It was reported that the parking area is very muddy. It was agreed that Mr Scoggins be asked to carry out improvements when weather permits.
86	WALL AT FERRE MERE: It was reported that a section of wall has fallen down. Members agreed to contact a suitable walling contractor to rebuild it.
87	KERB ALONG SIDE FROST MERE ADJOINING RAKES LANE: It was reported that the kerbstones are in disrepair and have become overgrown with grass such that the edge of the road is no longer defined. It was agreed that the Clerk be requested to contact the Highways Department with a view to remedial works being undertaken.
88	FLOODING OF JACK MERE CAR PARK: It was noted that flooding had occurred recently on several occasions rendering the car park unusable. The Chairman stated that this has been an ongoing problem for some time and in order to rectify it a major project would be needed. Until the school field renovation is complete the Council cannot undertake any additional large projects. It was agreed to bring this matter forward at a future date.
89	VILLAGE NOTICE BOARD: It was reported that the notice board has been in a poor condition for sometime but it had recently worsened. The door cannot be locked and it appears loose in the ground. It was suggested that the Council consider replacing it. The Clerk was requested to look into the cost and suitability of a new one and whether or not there would be any grants available.
90	DRAIN AT CORNER OF FERRE MERE/ICKY PICKY LANE: It was reported that a small drain was needed here to prevent water streaming down towards Mere House. It was agreed that Mr Scoggins be requested to carry this out when weather permits.
91	DATE OF NEXT MEETING: The next Meeting will be held on Monday 3 February 2014 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.30pm.