DOWN ST MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting held on Tuesday 13th June 2017 in the Village Hall

Present: Mrs J. Giles-Bullock, Mr A. Clark, Mr D. Skelton, Mrs I. Harris, Mr M. Austin, Mr D. Cooper and Mr A. Martin [Clerk]

Apologies: Mr J. Tucker, Mr J. Daw, Mrs M. Squires

In the absence of Mr J. Tucker, Mrs J. Giles-Bullock took the chair.

[16] The **Minutes** of the meeting held on 9th May 2017 which had been circulated electronically were agreed by all present & signed by the Chairman.

Matters Arising

- [17] Highways. Verges had been cut to the minimum level. Blocked drains needed work.
- [18] Village Hall. Alan Clark had now been appointed chairman. The Summer Fayre had made a reasonable profit. The flooring had been repaired and new handles put on the entrance doors.
- [19] Village Green & Grass-cutting. The grass had been cut before the Summer Fayre.
- [20] Defibrillators. Raising the finance was discussed. Further information to be sought.
- [21] Lightsource. The deed was reconsidered and agreed by all present.
- [22] Parish Website. Existing website to be taken down. New hosting firm to be sought. MDDC and DALC to be consulted.

FINANCE

[23] FINANCIAL REPORT 13/6/2017

Current Account Balance as at 1/3/2017.....£4,066.64

INCOME

Grant from MDDC £123.26 Annual Precept [less annual fee To DALC £83.49] £3,666.51

EXPENDITURE

None
. Balance as at 28/4/2017£7,856.41

Business Reserve Account Balance as at 5/5/2017£6,521.55
[Interest: April £0.05]

Cheques not yet presented:

327 A.V. Martin [Clerk's Salary] £495.00 328 HMRC £23.00 329 Down St Mary V. Hall Rent £90.00 330 M Leach [Grass Cutting] £170.00

Items awaiting payment:

Community First: Annual Insurance Premium £207.33

[24] A new accountant was still needed. Alison Marshall to be appointed as auditor.

Planning

[25] 17/00902 Eppfield. Removal of Condition (9) of planning approval 01/00466/FULL requiring the removal of the building on it becoming redundant for agricultural purposes. The Council had no objection to the lifting of the agricultural tie but the barn and orchard must not have any name that might cause confusion.

Any Other Business

- [26] Mr Austin reported that he planned to cut off two branches that were close to his barn. The Council had no objection.
- [27] Mrs Harris reported that following planning consent, they were asked to contribute towards landscaping open space within Down St. Mary and asked if anyone knew where these funds would be spent within the parish. Enquiry to be made to MDDC. She also asked about supplying a rubbish bin at Yeo Bridge and if there are any grants available for it.
- [28] Mrs Giles-Bullock suggested that two councillors be appointed to check the roads for potholes. Notice to be put up to encourage everyone to report potholes.
- [29] The car park has now be re-surfaced. Need to check the bus shelter window.

Date of next meeting: Tuesday 12th September at 8:00 pm.

Provisional Dates for 2017

Tuesday 10th October

Tuesday 14th November

Tuesday 12th December