DOWN ST MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting held on Tuesday 8th September 2015 in the Village Hall

Present: Mr J. Tucker, Mrs J. Giles-Bullock, Mr M. Austin, Mr D. Skelton, Mr A. Clark, Mr D.

Cooper and Mr A. Martin [Clerk]

In attendance: Mr A. Jarrett [MDDC]

[27] The Minutes of the meeting held on 9th June 2015 which had been circulated

electronically were agreed by all present & signed by the Chairman.

Matters Arising

- [28] Morchard Road Car Park: Mid Devon District Council would like a contribution of £1,000 per annum but might agree a figure of £200 - £300 as a proportion of the expenses. Awaiting a formal written proposal.
- [29] Public Conveniences: The Rating Consultant thought it was unlikely that the business rates would be reduced.
- [30] Village Hall. There were still plans to paint the outside of the Hall.
- [31] Village Green. There was a complaint that the gardener at Town Court Bungalow had been dumping lawn cuttings. The Council agreed that they should be removed or returned. Some trees and brambles on the Green needed trimming.
- [32] Bus Shelter. The area round the shelter needed further work to sort it out. The hedge needed trimming & the elms removing.
- [33] Planned Solar Farm. Further letter to be sent.
- [34] Parish Website. More contributions were needed.

FINANCE

FINANCIAL REPORT

[35] Current Account balance as at 1/4/2015 £3598.34

INCOME

MDDC Precept	£2500
MDDC Grant for Village Hall	£321
Total: £2821	

EXPENDITURE [Cheques Cashed]	
302: Alice Giles [Donation]	£200
303: Landa Roofing [Bus Shelter]	£150
304: S & W Internal Audit	£35
305: Parish Websites	£100

306: Adendy Ltd [Bookkeeping]	£30
Cheques not yet cashed:	
307: A.Martin [Clerk's Wages]	£256.88
308: Community First [Insurance]	£187.81
309: MDDC [Election Expenses]	£127.35
310: Adendy Ltd [Bookkeeping]	£15
311: Adendy Ltd [Tax to be forwarded to HMRC]	£18.20
Current Account balance as at 1/9/2015 £5823.28	

Business Reserve Account as at 7/4/2015.....£6,515.97

Interest [Apr]	£0.27
Interest [May]	£0.26
Interest [Jun]	£0.29 Interest
[Jul]	£0.28

Balance as at 7/8/2015	£6,517.07
Cheques not yet written:	
A.Martin [Clerk's Wages [Apr-Jun]]	.£120.55
Village Hall [Grant from MDDC]	.£321
MDDC [Invoice for Public Conveniences]	£830

These payments were agreed by all members present

Any Other Business

- [36] A377 Morchard Road: View obstructed by a car outside the green shed.
- [37] Jasmine Cottage: Elder bush needed trimming.
- [38] Morchard Road Car Park: Branches of trees overhanging the A377.
- [39] Waterbridge Golf Course: Advertising signs may have infringed the regulations of advertising.

Planning

[40] Certificate of Lawfulness for the existing use of agricultural land as residential garden for a period in excess of 10 years [Land at NGR 275194 104806 (Adjacent to Woolsgrove Court) Morchard
Road] Ref. No: 15/01297/CLUNo objection

[41] Notification of intention to crown reduce 1 Turkey Oak by 30% within the Conservation Area at the Old Rectory, Down St Mary Ref No: 15/01401/CATNo objection

Any Other Business

- [42] Queen's 90th Birthday. Official Celebration Sunday 12th June 2016. Possibility of a joint event was discussed.
- [43] Potholes round the Village and on the A377 were discussed. It was said that Yeo Road ought to be closed to through traffic as a result.
- [44] Dog Fouling. Sign to be erected on Union Hill. People can be fined.

Date of next meeting: Tuesday 13th October at 8:00 pm.