

DOWN ST MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting held on Tuesday 9th March 2021 as an online meeting

Present: Mr J. Tucker, Mr M. Austin, Mr A. Clark, Mrs P. Rogers, Mr P. Seller, Mrs M. Squires and Mr A. Martin [Clerk]

Apologies: Mrs J. Giles-Bullock

In attendance: Mr. P. Heal

[2021/3/1] The **Minutes** of the meeting held on 11th August 2020 which had been circulated were approved.

[2] Financial Report

Current Account Balance as at 1/9/2020 £9,199.92

Cheques not yet banked:

382 A Martin [McAfee Total Protection]£89.99

383 Information Commissioner£40.00

Business Reserve Account Balance as at 7/9/2020.....£11,565.46

Interest: September £0.10, October £0.10, November £0.10, December £0.10
January 2021 £0.09

Balance as at 5/2/2021.....£11,565.95

3) Budget for 2021/2022

DALC Membership £95.00

Insurance £230.00

Grass Cutting £700.00

Internal Audit £100.00

Information Commissioner £40.00

Clerk's Salary £400.00

HMRC [PAYE] £100.00

Rent of Village Hall £90.00

MDDC [Public Conveniences] £830.00

Signed Date

McAfee Computer Protection £100.00

Accountant £80.00

TOTAL £2,765.00

Precept £3,750.00

The Budget and Precept were approved

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4) Alison Marshall was reappointed as Auditor.

5) Toilet block: MDDC were mainly working from home so it has been impossible to arrange a meeting.

6) Village Hall. The Village Hall was closed at the moment. For it to be used in the near future, both doors would have to be open. This presented a problem with people using the kitchen area.

[7] Planning: Mr Clark declared an interest in this item.

21/00180/HOUSE | Erection of two storey side and rear extension following demolition of existing conservatory | Rookery Nook Morchard Road Crediton Devon EX17 5LN

The council considered this would be an improvement and had no objection.

20/01459/FULL Erection of a dwelling following demolition of existing redundant building - The Store Morchard Road Crediton Devon EX17 5LR. This application had now gone to appeal.

The building of new houses on the garage site had been delayed and there was now a new developer.

[8] Defibrillators: The contract will be due for renewal in July.

[9] Village Green: The current contractor for cutting the grass was planning to retire. It would be necessary to find a new local contractor or contact MDDC.

[10] Mrs Squires reported on council tax rises and the MDDC Budget. She mentioned the call for new sites for housing to be identified.

[11] Mr Heal introduced himself as a candidate for the vacancy in Taw Ward at the election in May.

Signed Date

Date of next meeting: *Provisionally set for 11th May This would be the Annual Meeting. The provision for virtual meetings expires on 7th May.*

A. Martin, Clerk 4/5/2021

Signed Date