**MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING OF**

**DRYBROOK PARISH COUNCIL**

**HELD ON TUESDAY 21st JUNE 2022**

**AT THE BAND ROOM, DRYBROOK ROAD at 7.00pm**

PRESENT: Cllr R Bardo (in the Chair), Cllrs M Jones, P Weaver, R Moore, C Blake, G Meek and J Print. Also County Councillor T Hale and 1 member of the public. The minutes were taken by the Clerk Mrs D Smith.

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Cllr Garland – holiday

Cllr Fraser – other meeting

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

**3. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING 17 MAY 2022**

It was proposed by Cllr Jones, seconded by Cllr Moore and agreed that the minutes were a true and accurate record and they were duly signed by the Chair.

**4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES, NOT ON THE AGENDA**

There has been no update on the hedging in Hillside Road- Cllr Hale will meet with Cllr Bardo to discuss the way forward.

**5. REPORT FROM THE OPEN MIREYSTOCK TUNNEL CAMPAIGN**

In the absence of the representative, this was discussed and Cllr Hale advised that there would be a meeting the next Friday at Ruardean Hill Rugby Club. Cllr Weaver offered to attend and report back.

**6.** **REPORTS, including CHAIR**

Cllr Bardo has downloaded the data from the flashing signs and will collate and pass on to the police. He thanked everyone for their support with the Queen’s Jubilee celebration.

Cllr Print reported that the website is still in development and requested details from councillors that could be added.

Cllr Blake reported that the new salt bin had been delivered and requested 2 more for Hazel Field and Cavendish Park. It was agreed to look at a rolling plan to replace the old grit bins and order 1 a month and to apply stickers “supplied by Drybrook Parish Council”. Cllr Hale will obtain a list of the bin locations in the parish for the next meeting.

Cllrs Hale and Bardo will check on the Mannings Farm estate and the status of the pole they removed. Cllr Hale also advised that “20 is plenty” signs are available for wheelie bins etc. The problem water tap has been reported, the lighting for the car park is still ongoing and he needs a final design for the “Welcome to Drybrook” sign at Nailbridge. He has also been dealing with sheep issues and complaints about the grass cutting of verges. It was reported that fencing in Bent’s Lane has collapsed and Cllrs Hale and Bardo will look at this. Also a zebra crossing outside the school was suggested – he will look into this.

Cllr Moore asked if the spare flashing sign could be put in Morse Road. Cllr Print was asked if he would be able to look after this one – a post will also be looked at. Cllr Moore will refurbish the litter bin at Nailbridge.

the village. Finally her is still dealing with issues at Mannings Farm and will pursue the missing post that they removed.

The Clerk advised that she has received an offer from the Community Heartbeat Trust to sell back the phone kiosk at Harrow Hill for £25. It was agreed to proceed and then decide what to do with the kiosk after – Cllr Moore offered to purchase it but it was decided to consult residents first.

**7. PUBLIC QUESTIONS**

A resident asked if there was any update on the Overbrook Garage site – it was thought that there some flooding /drainage issues which were making the project not viable. It was also noted that there was a second planning application pending for Quabbs House.

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**8. PLANNING MATTERS**

**i) Allowed - 6 applications**

**ii) Disallowed – None**

**iii) New**  - dealt with by the planning committee.

It was noted that the application for Ruardean Reservoir had been refused again.

**9. FINANCIAL MATTERS**

It was agreed to make the following payments:

i) Payment of accounts: D Smith (June salary) - £308.67, Expenses (June), £16.50, J George ( toilet opening) - £50, N Baker (toilet cleaning) -£240, Complete Landscape Gardeners (grass cutting ) – £1404, Complete Landscape Gardeners (street cleaning ) - £460 (inc replacement chq) , Complete Landscape Gardeners (VAT) - £957.20, Glasdon (salt bin) - £99.10, Drybrook Band (Hall Hire) - £135, I Selkirk (Internal Audit) - £160

(Additional payments for £1700 were authorised by the Chair for the Jubilee Committee)

ii) Agree Standing Orders – accepted. To be reviewed each June

iii) Agree Statement of Accounts – read and agreed

iv) Agree Internal Audit Report – read and agreed

v) Consider grant for CANDI – Cllr Bardo proposed £1500 grant. This was seconded by Cllr Print and carried with 2 objections.

It was noted that the money for the Roebuck Meadow play area had now been transferred to the parish council (£12500)

**10. NEW CORRESPONDENCE**

None

**11. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION ONLY AND AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING**

Cllr Bardo hopes to be able to provide an update from CANDI .

Quotes for the clearing of the area by the recycling bins were discussed and a decision will be made at the next meeting.

**12. CONFIRM DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as 19th July.

Meeting closed at 8.30pm.

Signed\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Chair

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