

## **Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held at The Village Hall, Kirby Misperton on Tuesday 30 July 2013 at 7.45pm**

Present Councillors K Sanders (Chairman), D Corton, K Edmond and P Wicks

Clerk Miss S Brown

One member of the public present

1. No apologies for absence were received
2. No Declarations of Interest were received in items on the agenda
3. Minutes and Matters arising:
  - a) To approve the minutes of the Meeting held on 28 May 2013
  - b) Councillor Corton reported that the dog bin indicated in correspondence is no longer being emptied by RDC – the Council requested the clerk to contact Mark Stockhill to gain further information
4. The member of the public in attendance raised issue regarding the clearance of the verges approaching the bridge from the village to the main road. The clerk was requested to find out if the responsibility for this cutting is with the Rivers Authority or Highway.
5. Planning

No planning applications have been received since the last meeting.
6. No decisions by Ryedale District Council have been made regarding previously received applications since the last meeting
7. To consider financial matters
  - a) Council receive financial statements in respect of funds held and money movement since the start of the financial year and noted that the balance included CIF money received for Village Hall equipment
  - b) Council discussed a response in respect of the letter received from Ryedale District Council regarding the future Precept payment and grant availability.

Council requested the clerk to notify RDC that they wished the clerk to pass the following comments to RDC on response to the consultation:

Request to RDC to confirm that the basis on which Band D base calculation was made is the same as in previous years and has not been amended as in the year past.

Request RDC to notify the Council how much increase would be required by the Council in the same formula to maintain the current level of service

To note that the response provided within the consultation is only valid should other grant awarding bodies remain able to provide funding.

To note that if the grant passed to Parishes was reduced and then removed the Council would be able to use reserves in the first instance but would have to consider increasing the precept either in the year 2014/15 (in part) and then again in future years especially should services provided by RDC require further funding by Council

- c) Council agreed the payment of cheque 231 to the Village Hall in respect of hire for £ 100 and noted that the payment of the Clerk's wage would be carried forward to the next meeting

#### 8. Staffing

Council noted the hours worked by the clerk from May to 29 July 2013 as 18

#### 9. Procedural reviews

- a) Council confirmed the review of the Asset Register at the last meeting and agreed to repeat the review in a year's time.
- b) Council reviewed the Risk Assessment Policy and agreed to repeat the review in July next year.

#### 10 Councillor Wicks reported that the web site now has more content and requested feedback from reviewers. He also noted that Wikipedia has a link to the site

Councillor Wicks reported that the Village Plan would be deferred until the schools returned after next meeting. A short discussion referred to the possibility of the running of a prize draw to encourage responses.

Councillors Sanders and Wicks reported that they had conducted the Clerk's staff appraisal and confidential notes regarding this would be circulated to Councillors once produced.

#### 11 The Clerk updated Council as to the ongoing issues with gully cleaning and speeding. She also reported the response from Mr Stockhill regarding Health and Safety issues with the dog bin adjacent to Flaming Land

#### 12 There were no questions to the Chairman

#### 13 Council noted the date of the next meeting as 24 September 2013

The meeting closed at 20:28