

## **Aighton, Bailey and Chaigley Parish Council**

### **Minutes of meeting held on Monday 18th February, 2019 at 7.00 pm**

1. Present: Cllrs Christine Holden, Des Harwood, Peter Butterfield, Chris Berry and David Bland.

Also present: Niall Macfarlane, Chair of Memorial Hall Committee, and Terry Longden from the Friends of Hodder Court

2. Apologies: Cllrs Gordon Nicholson, Margaret Carrington and Roger Wilkinson, and our Parish Clerk, Pauline Tyson.

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting. Proposed by Cllr Butterfield, and seconded by Cllr Harwood.

4. Highways. Reported that four Parish Councillors - Cllrs Berry, Bland, Carrington and Wilkinson - had met with Chris Howarth, the site-manager for CPUK on the Whalley Road development to discuss the continuing parking problems. Assurances had been given to free space on the new car park inside the site. Though more vehicles using this, numbers parked on road remain high. Agreed to monitor situation.

5. Defibrillators. Terry Longden reported that the Hodder Court defib was now installed and operational. Agreed to meet their installation costs of £151.57. Cllr Holden to follow up on possible defib for Chaigley in telephone box with local resident.

6. Plans. No substantive plans this month.

7. Common Land. Cllr Wilkinson was not present. Agreed that Cllr Holden would contact him to ask for a report at the next meeting.

8. Notice Board and Accident Report. Cllrs Harwood and Bland reported on an accident to Mrs Diane Rimmer involving the glass in the noticeboard. Cllr Bland had prepared an accident report, contacted the injured party and produced an accident report form template for the Parish Council. Cllr Harwood had replaced the glass in both doors with polycarbonate - appreciation was expressed for his swift response to this incident. Cost of the polycarbonate came to £56.19.

9. Any Other Business.

- a. No one has yet expressed interest in taking on the job of Parish Clerk. Agreed to make approaches to any possible individuals, and also to ensure is advertised on the website and the noticeboard along with the job spec. Also

- agreed to advertise through the Village News in local papers - Cllr Bland to contact Nancy Bailey - and in the Spring edition of Round The Green.
- b. Cllr Bland reported on his findings regarding VAT and the Village Hall Project. Found that very unlikely that VAT could be reclaimed. Cllr Berry to follow up by asking his son, a tax accountant, for his opinion - *since confirmed that VAT cannot be reclaimed on the Village Hall Project.*
  - c. Cllrs Harwood and Butterfield, and Niall Macfarlane, reported on progress with Villahe Hall Project Team. Have had advice from heating engineer. Advised by Anne Huson at Grindleton that best to apply for heating, insulation and roof at same time. Four quotes obtained for roof, and expression of interest in making a grant application lodged for roof. Advised best to retain separate, electrical shower heating for football changing rooms.
  - d. Concerns were expressed at the length of time before repairs at Lower Hodder Bridge. Agreed to ask Parish Clerk to contact LCC Highways.

Meeting closed at 8.00 pm.