

HALWELL & MORELEIGH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Village Hall, Moreleigh Monday 9th December 2019 at 7pm

OPEN FORUM – Two members of the public attended.

PRESENT: Councillors: D. Treeby, N. Palmer, J. Collins, M. Hicks, M. McInerney, J. Mussen, H. Reeve, R. Tozer,

P. Westlake, R. Widger

In attendance: Cllr. R. Gilbert, S. Winstanley (Clerk in attendance)

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT – Cllr. H. Reeve

- There will be a Facebook page where communities can make contributions concerning climate change.
- Arranged for the exit to the A381 past Pears to be on the HATOC agenda at DCC and hopefully it will be possible to have a 'no entry' onto the A381. Clerk to arrange a meeting with Highways after Christmas. The Parish Council will probably have to bear the expense and the change is unlikely until autumn next year.

COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT – Cllr. R. Gilbert

- The road surface past Totnes Cross has been resurfaced.
- Climate change – www.devonclimateemergency.co.uk
- Road past Pears to A381 – supported Cllr. Reeve's initiative at HATOC and could provide locality budget grant towards cost.

POLICE REPORT – from Police website page 2 crimes

- One public order offence in Moreleigh at White Park
- One violent and sexual offence in Halwell
- J. Collins reported that a car coming down Church Street at 5am had hit the wall and ended up stuck behind a pole, requiring two ambulances and two fire engines to free the driver, for one hour.

1. APOLOGIES - None

2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 30.9.19 - It was proposed, seconded and resolved that the Chair should sign the Minutes as a true and correct record.

3.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – Members are invited to declare any personal or disclosable pecuniary interests, including the nature and extent of such interests they may have in any items to be considered at this meeting.

4. CLERK'S REPORT –

- A further delivery of salt had been requested but had not arrived.
- It was proposed that the PC consider seeding an area of ground opposite the Old Inn at Halwell with wild flower seed.
- SHDC no longer provide sandbags. If flooding is anticipated it is necessary for Parishioners to be prepared.

5. CHAIR'S COMMENTS

- The Chair had received a complaint from an irate Parishioner who had arrived at the Village Hall to deposit some bottles only to find the gate locked and had no £1 to open it.
- Airband fibre optic is to be made available to Parishioners shortly.

6. PLANNING & PLANNING MATTERS – None

7. FINANCIAL MATTERS:-

- To approve payment of the following cheques:
729 - £265.98 – S. Winstanley – Dec
730 - £53.20 - HMRC

- b) To consider the precept budget for 2020/2021
Following consideration of a Precept budget Members agreed that the Precept for 2020/2021 be increased by 5% an increase for Parishioners of £1.05 per household
- c) Cash at bank – £19,875.25

8. Report of TV in Village Hall

The TV will be installed in January.

9. Report on road past Pears exiting onto the A381 – H. Reeve -As above

10. CORRESPONDENCE – None

11. COUNCILLOR’S REPORTS – To receive updates from councillors on matters of special responsibility:

H. Reeve - Asked that tree planting in the Parish be included in next agenda.

R. Widger – Raised the problem of blocked drains from Stanborough to Moreleigh.

It was agreed that Brookings be approached to clear the drains

It was also agreed that Highways be requested to clean out the drains from Stanborough to Halwell along the main road.

12. DATE of next MEETING – at Halwell & Moreleigh Village Hall at 7pm – 27th January 2020

SIGNED

D. Treeby Chair