

Minutes of Village Meeting Held by Zoom on 19.8.2020 at 7.30pm

Villagers attended a Zoom Meeting with Joan Maughan chairing, Tina Schwarz Clerk and RFO, Eileen Chandler, Richard Jannaway, Stephen Schwarz with Jennifer Vaudrey taking the minutes.

There were no apologies for absence.

1. Welcome. Joan hoped that we were all keeping well and explained how difficult this meeting had been to arrange, as the legal position had been unclear until recently in its instruction on how Village Meetings could proceed.
(3 August 2020 LO1-20 the local authorities and police and crime panels (coronavirus) (flexibility of local authority and police and crime panel meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020).
2. Minutes from the last meeting held on 14th January 2020 at the Village Hall
Each person in turn was asked to confirm that they approved and Minutes were then passed as a true record.
3. Matters arising
The proposed information and 3 estimates for Speed signs had been delayed due to the lockdown, Richard Jannaway would restart this process asap. Joan explained that £500 had been ring fenced from our funds, Jessica may consider a grant from her Locality budget with a possibility of match funding.
Eileen commented that Thornham Friends were still operating and that community spirit had been very much in place during Lockdown.
4. Financial report
Sarah Dobson, as our internal auditor, had approved our accounts.
In May the RFO circulated via The Messenger these accounts for the year 19/20 giving everyone the chance to see them. A vote was taken at this meeting and passed unanimously. As we meet all criteria, an Exemption Certificate will be sent to our external auditors by the RFO.
Our budget for 20/21 stands. Our bank balance as at 5 August 2020 was £2009.52.
5. AOB
Joan reported that a lot of Potholes had been repaired to a much higher standard recently. Stephen added that blocked drains had been unblocked, which seems to have reduced flooding.
There was no other business
Date of next meeting

This was unlikely to be soon, due to restrictions, our only guidance (see above ref) is that we should meet before 7 May 2021. All officers to remain in place.

The meeting closed at 7.47pm.