

HOPE MANSELL PARISH COUNCIL

**MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL
at BAILEY LANE END CHAPEL
7pm on WEDNESDAY 14th SEPTEMBER 2016**

PRESENT : CEImitt, MGreen, RDuberley, WThrush, SHEath, GPhelps, MRobins, (arrived 7.10)

ABSENT:

Attending:- Liz New Clerk, Terry Griffiths (Lengthsman)

1. To receive apologies for absence

Meeting started at 7.00

2. To receive declarations of interest and written requests for dispensations

None received

3. Minutes of Last meeting – Approved with no amendments

Proposed G Phelps, Seconded WThrush

4. Open Forum – To hear views of local residents on parish matters

Terry Phillips noted that Highways have now cut the verges

5. To review work of the lengthsman, approve the next tranche of work required

Concern regarding the placement of the spoils, which RDuberley had requested were put on his land. Terry Griffiths advised that the day budgets had been utilised together with safety concern owing to the light, so the work was concluded.

CEImitt requested that the ditch be opened by Parkfields, Lengthsman commented that this ditch should be covered under Riparian ownership. CEImitt to write to landowner Re :- Coughton Brook. CEImitt requested a pre winter maintenance day. This includes signs / repairs. All agreed.

CEImitt requested that the leaves be cleared, from the triangle to the Parish boundary towards Rose cottage.

Lengthsman agreed to add to the Blue the salt bins

R Duberley commented that the Roads are terrible.

6. To Review notice board at Bailey Lane End.

SHeath to request that the BLE residents review the requirements, RDuberley proposed match funding of 50%. C Elmitt seconded. All agreed.

7. To receive update on the Defibrillator Project

Hope Mansell defibrillator project has ceased, as not enough donations were received.

8. To receive update on the Roads- R Duberley commented that the Roads are terrible. Clerk to contact Herefordshire council and invite the locality steward to the next meeting.

8.1 Hom Rough

Clerk read letter received from owners of Hom Rough Cottage, regarding the notice at the end of the Track at Hom Rough.

WThrush stated that this track was not a public right of way. You can walk along it but not drive along it

R Duberley stated that you cannot stop people using it. It is a public right of way.

WThrush advised that the laws changed in the 1950's. GPhelps pointed out that an act of parliament fixed this.

N Mummery said he was disappointed that the Parish Council hadn't investigated this previously.

Carole Elmitt

CElmitt apologised on behalf of the Council and the matter was concluded.

9. **To consider the issue of Speeding at BLE** – Clerk to ask PC Barrowdale Smith to come to next meeting.
10. **To Review possibility of a Tree preservation order on the Oak tree at Dancing Green** GPhelps requested that the clerk do some more research.
11. **To review who is covered under the Hope Mansell Church Parish boundary.** GPhelps requested that the church boundary be the same as the Parish Boundary .C Elmitt stated that this not a Parish matter. S Heath suggests that we wait for the new vicar and approach him. All agreed.
12. **To note transparency grant received , and approve purchase of computer £458.00** Noted that the asset belongs to Hope Mansell.
13. **To note report from footpaths officer**
Tree blocking lane by Horn Rough
Barbed wire at the viewing point to be investigated.
Nothing else to report.
14. **Finance**
 - 14.1 Approve Payment to the lengthsman in the sum of £330.00 All Approved.
 - 14.2 To note council's bank balance and receipts and payments . Noted.
 - 14.3 To Approve Clerks expenses – none submitted.
 - 14.4 To approve payment for website hosting. £20 Approved.
15. **To note the proposed date of the next meeting.**
November 9th HM
January 11th BLE
March 8th HM
16. **To consider correspondence received**
Sheila heath had a request for a donation for Hope Mansell Churchyard to be cut, as its in an appalling state.This letter had not been received by the Clerk. Hope Mansell Church is left to finance itself.
17. **To raise matters for the next meeting**
 - 17.1 Lengthsman
 - 17.2 Request for locality steward to attend next mtg
 - 17.3 Grass cutting / Church
 - 17.4 Dog nuisance at Dancing Green
 - 17.5 Broadband speed
 - 17.6 Request for local Police to attend next meeting
 - 17.7 Approval of internal audit

Cecilia Elmitt

Meeting closed 20.19