

HOPE MANSELL PARISH COUNCIL

MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL AT Bailey Lane End 7pm on TUESDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER 2021

Present : M Jones / G Phelps / S Heath / Ian Lewis/ Mary Wheeler
(arrived 7.07)

- 1 Apologies for absence - none received –
Richard Hibbard absent
- 2 Declarations of interest and written requests for dispensations – non received
- 3 Co – Option of new councillor. Chair gave an overview of the Parish for the benefit of the two prospective councillors – Jon Billings & Richard Griffiths (Hill Farm) & Diana Tobin.

Vote:- It was noted that it was encouraging to have so many prospective Cllrs, and all applicants were very strong contenders .However the Cllrs Voted for D Tobin, Based on the fact that BLE needs more councillors. It is hoped that they will reapply in May 2023

- 4 Open Forum – no members of the public present
- 5 Minutes of last meeting -Approved
- 6 Hedgerows – Link on website
- 7 Riparian Responsibilities – link on website
- 8 Roads:

Update on Cattle grid Meetings – Dancing Green requested that BB will fill in the Cattle Grid. They need to contact the Forestry Commission. Bailey Lane End is in hand with BB Clerk to contact Matthew Brookes regarding repair.
Request from M Freeman for road signs for School Lane & Church.
Cost of School Lane Sign c£100 agreed with 1 abstention

- 9 Neighbourhood Plan -noted that Herefordshire council have enough land for housing for 7 years. Noted that Hope Mansell Parish council is covered by RA3
- 10 Report from Footpath Officer
A parishioner has requested that we point out that the pathway mentioned below is open access land within the forest and they do not believe it is a designated footpath.

a. Stiles/ gates update – Parishioner contacted Cllr Wheeler regarding footpath **land** near Spring Cottage. The **Path way** is blocked. Parish has written to Forestry whose land it is. Little Perlieu wood has been sold.

b. Lengthsman work – to approve £200 for work on stiles. Additional work completed for Green Farm. £105. All Approved the stile work

- 11 Update on TRO Bailey Lane End / SID – ongoing
- 12 Review Councils Finances

- a. VAT refund claimed (as yet unpaid) – Clerk has resubmitted
- b. Online banking update – all come with cost per month, and not the ability for two to approve
- c. To Approve Hosting for website - £20 – Approved
- d. To note payment of 223.2 for defib batteries – Approved
- e. Clerk to contact Weston to regarding dummies for Defib Practice.
- f. Update on Budget Zoom meeting with Herefordshire council. Shortfall of £11m in 2020. 2021 have balanced the books.

13 Notice Boards – BLE update – In hand

14 COVID 19

- a. Volunteers
- b. Local Cases – to 6/9 41 in Ross , 24 in surrounding areas 36 in Mitcheldean & Drybrook

15 To Raise matters for next meeting

- a. The Cutting Barrier

16 To note date of next meeting –Proposed 9/11/2021 HM

Meeting Closed at 20:20