GRINDON PARISH COUNCIL 

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MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING 5th February 2024 HELD IN GRINDON VILLAGE HALL

The Meeting commenced at 7.30pm.

1.Present: Councillors Firman (AF), Garratt (NG), Nutter (GN), Pailthorpe (JP) Spink (CS) & Stanish (SS), Clerk C Stanish (CAS)

2.Apologies: A Morrell

3. Declaration of Interest None

4.Minutes of previous meeting held on Tuesday 2nd January 2024 reviewed & signed by chair NG

5.Planning

There was no planning to discuss. NG had been in discussion with Waterfall Parish Clerk trying to arrange a meeting with someone from the Peak Park regarding their decision not to inform us of the planning decisions made, but nothing had been progressed. It was suggested that we write to the Peak Park informing them that we are not happy with their decision to stop informing us. Also see below re meeting the Peak Park Chief executive.

6. Business remaining from last meeting

1. Update on Play area

The lottery bid has been unsuccessful but JP will reapply. CAS suggested that he speak to two members of the Village Hall committee who could help with the bid.

The County Council has given us a £100 grant.

There is a Community Climate Change Fund which can be applied for before 28th February.

1. Defibrillator – Onecote Parish Council has agreed for us to use the phone box at Ford to site the defibrillator but there is no electricity supply. BT are aware. CAS has applied to the British Heart Foundation for a defibrillator. If successful, they also pay for pads and battery.

To keep Ford residents up to date.

1. CAS has found training to help get the AGAR and end of year accounts done correctly. Agreed to finance the £30 cost Tuesday 19th March 10am – 11.40am. NG can attend.

7. Correspondence

1. Insurance general. This is the final year of a 3-year deal, due in March. Need to start investigating renewal in November for next year.
2. Insurance vehicle. AF completed the driver details for the insurance policy. This is due tomorrow. Again, need to start looking around in October for next year.
3. Grindon Memorial Service. SS, AM & CAS attending. JP may also attend.
4. SMDC Chairmans curry night invitation, no one able or inclined to attend.
5. Coach Trip to Tour of Parliament. Some interest but the day would be too long. CAS to put on noticeboard for public to see.
6. Meet the Peak Park Chief Executive. He will be at Hartington YHA on 22nd March 3-5pm. NG definitely attending. Seen as a good opportunity to ask about the Planning policy. Next month to discuss any other issues we wish to bring to the attention of the Chief Executive. To highlight this opportunity to parishioners by putting on the noticeboard.
7. Best kept village competition. Mixed views in the council. One member against, especially if there is a cost involved but the majority thought it could only be a good thing to enter.

To discuss with the Village Hall Committee.

1. Parish Councils will be able to apply for a King’s portrait soon. No great desire from the council to do this.

8. Finance

1. Monthly accounts – Accounts forwarded by AM (who was unable to attend the meeting) and seen by all.
2. NG & AM had had a meeting with the election secretary regarding the election charges. The election charges could have been paid in instalments which the parish council were unaware of. Some of the money will be paid back to Grindon PC and then the bill will be paid over the next 3 years. NG will still take this to the Parish Forum.
3. Now have the lengthsman’s money.
4. AF discussed the repair of the mower which has recently been carried out and paid for. GN highlighted the need to reclaim the VAT.
5. S137 uplift. CAS explained what the S137 was and had no impact on them as a council.

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Date of next meeting 4th March 2024