GRINDON PARISH COUNCIL 

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MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING 4th March 2024 HELD IN GRINDON VILLAGE HALL

The Meeting commenced at 7.30pm.

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

2.Apologies: None

3. Declaration of Interest None

4.Minutes of previous meeting held on Monday 5th February 2024 reviewed & signed by chair NG

5.Planning **NP/SM/0224/0180**

**Site Address –** Lime Kiln 65m from Budgetts Farm, 26m from Pot Hooks Lane, Butterton

**Development Description** – Listed Building consent – structural repairs to lime kiln.

No objections

6. Business remaining from last meeting

1. Update on Play area and other public priorities. JP has started another lottery grant application. He has been given help and advice from two villagers who have had experience in grant applications. He asked if anyone wanted to be included in the steering group. SS agreed to join.
2. Climate change fund. JP is also putting in an application for this fund of between £200-£500. He asked for suggestions for him to include in the request. Ideas put forward were spring and summer bulbs, native bluebells, mixed wild flower seed, water edge plants and trees. A discussion about why farming was not included in this fund, because it is included in other funds.

Picnic benches were discussed, and it was decided to get 3 quotes for new ones. NG offered a couple of tables she has no use for. SS to assess.

Trees from the Woodland Trust have just arrived.

1. Defibrillator - CAS has applied for a British Heart Foundation funded defibrillator and awaits the outcome. Difficulty finding out how to get the electricity reinstated in the phone box.
2. Training
* Councillor Fundamentals open to all councillors 21st March. CAS has offered it out to other local parish councillors, one councillor has taken up a place.
* Grant application Training 12th March JP, AM & CAS (free). Three questions discussed as these need completing prior to the training.
* Council End of Year Training online NG, AM & CAS (£30 total)

7. Correspondence

 1. Reminder of Peak Park Chief Executive meeting at Hartington at 3pm on 22nd March. NG to attend.

8. Annual Parish Meeting 7th May. Agreed to offer tea and coffee to the public from 7.15pm and to start the meeting promptly at 7.30pm AM to talk about finance. NG to give introduction as chair. Others to talk about ongoing projects. To discuss further next month.

9. Grindon Parish Council Mission Statement. Grant applications have asked if we have a mission statement, so one was put forward and everyone agreed with it. *‘To represent and uphold the best interests of the village and its residents. To encourage and promote social and community values. To provide high standard, cost effective services for the betterment of the local community. To manage the parish Council’s assets and finances to achieve best value.’*

10. Finance

1. Monthly accounts – Accounts handed out by AM to everyone.
2. Discussed reclaiming VAT (hope the online training will cover this)
3. Discussion about upcoming expenses such as picnic benches, defibrillator
4. NG to bring up election costs at next Parish Assembly.

11. Quiz in the Village Hall on Friday 22nd March. Doors open 7pm for 7.30pm start. Any profits to go to the Play Area refurbishment.

See posters for details

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Date of next meeting 2nd April 2024