

## <u>GRINDON PARISH COUNCIL</u> <u>MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING 5th AUGUST 2024 HELD IN</u> <u>GRINDON VILLAGE HALL</u>

The Meeting commenced at 7.30pm

- 1. Present: Councillors Garratt (NG), Morrell (AM), Nutter (GN) Stanish (SS) Clerk C Stanish (CAS)
- 2. Apologies: J Pailthorpe, A Firman
- 3. Declaration of Interest None
- 4. Minutes of previous two meetings held on 3rd June and 1st July reviewed and signed by chair NG.
- 5. Planning None
- 6. Business outstanding from last meeting
  - Play area now finished. JP had asked (by email) if it could be agreed to use the money left from the lottery funding to buy new picnic benches. At present the council has spent £866.60 more than received from the lottery funding, there will only be an excess once the vat has been reclaimed, so it was decided to wait until the money has been reclaimed. It was agreed to have a photo taken with the new equipment next Monday 12th August 2024 (assuming JP is available)
  - 2. Defibrillator still waiting to see if the Leaden Boot fund offers us anything. Grindon Village Hall received their donation last year on 30th August, so there is still time. CAS to look at other options.
- 7. Correspondence
  - 1. VE celebrations to ask the Village Hall Committee if they are planning anything and then to assist them if required.
  - 2. Nature in your neighbourhood It was thought that Grindon PC had already done quite a bit towards improving the environment by planting trees and sorting the pond but JP had shown an interest in this and everyone happy for him to take the lead on this.

8. 20 is plenty - This has already been discussed and it was felt that there was not enough volunteers in order to make anything viable. AM said she had been approached by quite a few residents who had concerns about the speed of traffic.

CAS to put something in the village newsletter asking for volunteers. AM to ask the people who has expressed concerns. If there are enough volunteers, we can then look at the grants available to buy equipment to check speed. (Grant applications need to be in by November 2024)

9. Tree with Ash Dieback. The tree is in the play area and therefore in a public area. CAS had been given the details of the Arboricultural Officer at SMDC and will contact him for the latest advice (fell or leave). If it needs felling, permission will have to be sought from PDNPA.

10. Finance - AM showed everyone the monthly accounts

11. For information - AF has reported an overflowing septic tank to the Moorlands Trust who own it.

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There will be no meeting in September.

The next meeting will be Monday 7th October 2024. Jonathan Kempster will be attending this meeting.