

## MICKLETON PARISH COUNCIL

**Notes of a Meeting of Mickleton Parish Council, held on Tuesday 18 May 2021 (following the AGM) in Mickleton Village Hall.**

**PRESENT** Mrs G Taffurelli (Chairman), Mrs M Hutchinson, K Walton, J Lonsdale and P Thompson.

**21.10 APOLOGIES:** None

**21.11 SIGNING OF THE PECUNIARY AND OTHER INTEREST FORMS** - All Councillors completed and signed their forms.

**21.12 DECLARATION OF INTEREST** - No declarations made.

**21.13 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING, HELD ON 4 AUGUST 2020.**

The minutes had been circulated, taken as read and signed.

**21.14 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES** - None

**21.15 CO-OPTION TO THE PARISH COUNCIL**

Following the uncontested election, there are two vacancies for Councillors.

The Parish Council agreed to fill these two vacancies by co-option.

The vacancies to be advertised and anyone interested in becoming a Councillor to register their interest with the Clerk, before the next meeting.

**21.16 FINANCE**

**21.16.1 Payments** - The Parish Council agreed the following payments:

BHIB Ltd. (Insurance) £660.88

Cty Durham Ass. of Local Councils (Subscription) 60.62

**21.17 ANNUAL GOVERNANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY RETURN 2020/21**

**21.17.1 Certificate of Exemption for 2020/21** - The Parish Council meet the criteria for exemption. Proposed by Mrs M Hutchinson, seconded by P Thompson, agreed by the Council and signed by the Chairman.

**21.17.2 The Annual Governance Statement 2020/21** - This had been circulated and taken as read. Proposed by J Lonsdale, seconded by P Thompson, agreed by the Council and signed by the Chairman.

**21.17.3 Accounting Statement 2020/21** - This was read - proposed by Mrs M Hutchinson, seconded by Mrs G Taffurelli, agreed by the Council and signed by the Chairman.

**21.18 OUTSTANDING MATTERS FROM PRIOR TO THE COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS**

A number of items had been placed on hold, until such times they could be discussed again.

**21.18.1 Historic Boundary Sign** - Clerk to contact DCC.

**21.18.2 Village Seats** - Clerk reported that NWA had offered to either repair/replace the 3 seats on West Pasture Road, as part of their Community Work Project attached to Grassholm Reservoir. D Hutchinson had repaired the seat on Robinson Bank and was going to repair the seat next to the bus stop.

One of the seats on Bail Hill road was damaged.

Clerk to contact DCC again. Chairman asked the Council to consider whether to engage a firm to quote for the repair of the seats.

Council also to consider a rolling programme of replacing the seats with either a seat or a bench.

**21.18.3 Highway Matters** - Mrs M Hutchinson reported that there was possibly a drain collapse under Station Road - Clerk to investigate.

**Croft Yokes Lane** - Verge edges needed to be repaired - Clerk to report.

**B6277 through the village** - road surface deteriorating and a number of potholes - Clerk to follow up with DCC.

**21.19 CORRESPONDENCE**

**21.19.1 NWA** - A report had been forward on the work being undertaken at Grassholm Reservoir.

**21.19.2 Cty Ass. of Local Councils** - If any Councillor required any training, there are various trainings available - contact the Clerk for further details.

**21.20 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING** - 19:00 Tuesday 15 June 2021

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 20:15

Signed .....

Date .....