

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF MANATON PARISH COUNCIL AT 7.30 PM AT
MANATON PARISH HALL ON Monday 9th MAY 2022**

Present: Cllrs: W Boughey *Chairman* N Beyts, B Warne, J Baker, S Mount

In attendance: M Wylie (Clerk) D Cllr Jeffery

AGENDA ITEM	Action
ITEM 1 - To receive and approve apologies for absence 1 Apologies received from C Cllr Gribble and Cllr Keene, accepted.	
ITEM 2 – Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman 2 Chairman William Boughey and Vice Chairman Nicholas Beyts proposed by Cllr Mount, seconded by Cllr Baker, carried unanimously.	
ITEM 3 – To receive Declarations of interest 3 Cllr Warne re grass cutting contract.	
ITEM 4 – To receive reports County and District Councillors 4 D Cllr Jeffery reported that £600,000 had been allocated by TDC towards the link road at Newton Abbot A new health centre in Teignmouth had been discussed but not yet decided upon.	
ITEM 5 – Public Participation 5 Two parishioners were in attendance. Motor bike usage on land belonging to Rose Cottage was causing a great deal of disruption in the area. It was very antisocial and disrupts the peace of the village. This nuisance had first occurred some 5 or 6 years ago but incidents had recently become more frequent. It was agreed that in the first instance the Clerk should write to the owner, and if this was not successful contact with TDC would be appropriate. It was suggested that people affected by the noise should keep a log of dates and times of the activity.	Clerk
ITEM 6 - Minutes of the previous meeting 6 The minutes of the previous meeting which had been previously circulated were approved and signed.	
ITEM 7 – Matters arising 7 None.	
ITEM 8 – Finance & Clerk's report 8.1 The Clerk presented the payments due being the Clerk's salary 8.2 There was no monthly accounts update as the Clerk had not received a bank statement. The Chairman signed the exemption certificate regarding external auditors allowed for councils with income below £25K	
ITEM 9 – Planning 9.1 Oak Tree Cottage : solar panel installation approved. 9.2 Horse Sanctuary : still no decision. 9.3 Sandy Meadow : demolition and rebuilding has still not commenced, but will do so in due course.	
ITEM 10 – Highways Cllr Mount reported as follows : 10.1 Potholes : there were still many potholes to be repaired. 10.2 20's Plenty : she showed a sample sign. Such signs could be displayed, for example, at entrances to the village and also at points on roads where injuries to animals regularly occurred. At the same time it would be undesirable to have too many signs. Such signs would not affect the legal speed limit but hopefully would cause drivers to think about their speed and reduce if appropriate. Permission from the highways authority would not be required if signs were on private property. It was suggested that this proposal could be put forward to the village for comments, perhaps by leaflet drop and/or an item in the Manaton Messenger. 10.3 Becky Falls : it was suggested that the existing arrangement (or absence of) for pedestrians crossing from the car park to the Falls was hazardous – further signage would be beneficial : Cllr Mount to draft a letter to the owner. 10.4 : the snow plan is in hand 10.5 : DALC rural roads survey : she has this also in hand.	SM SM SM SM
ITEM 11 – Assets 11.1 South : Cllr Warne reported that the handrail for the boardwalk has now been erected. The path is well used. The usual flowers are growing in the meadow and he is looking out for Himalayan balsam growth. 11.2 North : The Clerk had done the playground report as Cllr Keene is away. The oak tree had been planted on the Green and Simon Lewis had offered to water it.	.
ITEM 12 – Games Court 12 Nothing to report.	
ITEM 13 – Parish Hall 13 Following the resignation of Graham Wilson, David Pirkis is to be the new Chair.	
ITEM 14 - Council Vacancy 14 No interest so far.	
ITEM 15 – Half Moon 15 The Chairman reported that he had sent a reminder to the NT after four weeks had passed with no response to his earlier letter. There had been no further movement on the matter.	

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ITEM 16 – Queen’s Jubilee 16.1 The mugs had arrived. These will be free to all children in the village aged 16 and under. The others to be sold at £10. Rosettes have been ordered for the children’s sports. Badges for all children who take part. 16.2 The Clerk to inform the fire brigade and the insurance company of the beacon. 16.3 There was discussion about the cost to the Council of the Jubilee and D Cllr Jeffery informed the Council that up to £300 was available from TDC Councillors’ Community Fund – the Clerk to progress an application for these funds. 16.4 It was decided to try to contact all households in the village with details of the Jubilee events by a leaflet drop – Cllr Mount to organise this.	Clerk Clerk SM
ITEM 17 - APM 17 27th May : the Clerk had received no response from DNP, C & D Cllrs and PCSO and will chase. The Clerk to buy refreshments.	Clerk
ITEM 18 – Housing Survey 18 The clerk had spoken again to Mary Ridgway from TDC, who had confirmed that no affordable housing would be offered to non-residents of Manaton if this was opposed by the council at the time : some councillors expressed doubts that this was correct. Cllr Beyts wished to have his view put on record, that a written complaint should have been made to Mary Ridgway and TDC that she had failed to exercise proper supervision and take ownership of the Housing Needs survey. ITEM 19 - Recording of meetings and council records 19 The Chairman was interested in looking into recording meetings. He was also concerned about whether the existing system for filing and storing minutes, letters, emails etc. was adequate. The Clerk to get advice from DALC on these matters, including data protection ITEM 20 - Motorbike noise 20 See item 5 ITEM 21 - Grass Cutting Contract 21 There had been one application, from Ben Warne. No councillors had seen this and it was agreed that the Clerk would send it to the Chairman before the contract was formally given. ITEM 22 - Correspondence 22 It was reported that there had been some break ins in the village, to outbuildings/garages. Cllr Beyts suggested that it might be worthwhile to try to re-establish Neighbourhood Watch in the village, although it was noted that it was uncertain how effective this might be. This might be a matter to be raised at the forthcoming Annual Parish Meeting. ITEM 23 - Date of next meeting 23 June 13th ITEM 24 - AOB 24.1 The distribution of the bulletin was discussed - some properties were not delivered to, although the bulletin is on the website. Cllr Mount to calculate how many extra copies would be required to provide a printed copy for every household and the cost, and provide the figures to the PC for further consideration. 24.2 Cllr Mount would attend the next parish hall market to ascertain if there is any demand for a surgery to be provided by councillors.	Clerk SM SM

Close of meeting: 9.35pm

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Chairman.....