

## Manningford Parish Council Meeting - Manningford Village Hall

8<sup>th</sup> July 2014

Present: Richard Netherclift (RN), Chairman  
Bernard Gaskin (BG)  
Bridget Lanyon (BL)  
David Proto (DP)  
Jacqui Burgess (JB), Clerk

In Attendance: Paul Oatway, County Councillor for Pewsey Vale

- 1 **Apologies:** Reg Sampson (RS), Phil Hossack (PH), Sue Lympos (SL)
- 2 **Minutes:** Minutes of the Parish Council meeting of 13<sup>th</sup> May 2014 proposed by BG and seconded by DP and approved unanimously
- 3 **Police Matters:** No one from the Police was able to attend the meeting and no report was sent
- 4 **Highways:** DP reported that the traffic survey results had been sent to those participating in the survey and to Spencer Drinkwater at Wiltshire Council; he explained that 42% of traffic travelling south and 50% travelling north was through traffic. PO suggested sending the results to Mark Spanswick which DP agreed to do. In general discussion it was debated what could be done with the information but no conclusion was reached save that RN and DP will attend the next CATG meeting on 23<sup>rd</sup> July. DP mentioned an altercation between two drivers near Snowdrop Cottage which resulted in wing mirrors being damaged and it was noted that this was a factor of traffic using country lanes
- 5 **Projects:** BG confirmed that the first instalment payment for the defibrillators has been paid and he will speak to Andrew Marshall about the installation of one at the Village Hall; the second is to be at Woodborough Garden Centre and the cost to be shared between Manningford and Bottlesford. BG said further training in their use will be provided and all Councillors expressed interested in being trained. JB reported that PH had attended his training
- 6 **Finance:** BG reported the current balance as £9816.80. He asked PO if there had been a procedural change at Wiltshire Council in the way the precept was treated for reporting as he had received instruction that the levy was to be shown separately. PO said he had not heard but would investigate and report back.

BG said the funds were there to support projects and efforts should be made to identify something suitable. He confirmed that he would work with Andrew Marshall to put together the grant application to the area board for the acoustic panels. PO enquired about the cost which BG stated was around £2.4k. RN confirmed that the blackthorn hedging at each side of the playing field was to be replaced by beech hedging and the cost was to be met by David Kinderman. DP suggested that funds could be spent on security by locking access to fields against travellers. RN and BG said

- this should be the responsibility of the landowners and RN will speak to those concerned. A padlock will be obtained for the playing field and this will be secured in future and keys provided to all Village Hall keyholes
- 7 **Environment:** RN asked BL if she would take the lead on flooding as it was really an environmental issue. BL agreed subject to discussing in detail with RN; he identified the points of concern as September Cottage, Snowdrop Cottage, Indigo and Nursery Barns
  - 8 **Localism:** BL passed the membership renewal to BG. JB asked what value CPRE added and RN said it offered support to issues if requested
  - 9 **Footpaths:** RN read the report from RS which has been circulated. In general footpaths are overgrown at this time of the year
  - 10 **Planning Applications:** Four planning applications received have all been approved. BG asked what was happening at Black Barns and JB said she believed a planning application had been received and approved some months ago but undertook to check and report back. BG also mentioned that a garage had been constructed behind a property on the A345 and RN undertook to investigate
  - 11 **PCC:** The rounders match was successful
  - 12 **World War 1 Commemoration:** RN read RS's report and confirmed that funding had been cut which had resulted in fewer events being arranged to celebrate this
  - 13 **Village Hall:** JB read SL's report which confirmed that the pub evening had been a success although attendance was not very high
  - 14 **Website:** PH had circulated a note to all Cllrs confirming that the website is up to date
  - 15 **Correspondence:** None
  - 16 **A.O.B:** PO asked if any correspondence had been received in regard to the barn at Dhillons Farm and RN confirmed none had. It was agreed that PO will pursue this
  - 17 **Items from the public:** No members of the public attended
  - 18 **Date of next meeting:** 8<sup>th</sup> September 2014

Meeting closed 8.35