**Hewelsfield and Brockweir
Parish Council**

Minutes of Parish Council meeting held on 6th July 2021 at the Mackenzie Hall.

**Present:**  Cllr. Fox- Chair, Cllr. Harris, Cllr. Groves-Bond, Cllr. Brundle, District Cllr. McFarling and the Parish Clerk. There were no members of the public in attendance.

**3316 Apologies**

Cllrs. Sinfield and Haythornthwaite

**3317 Declaration of Interest in Agenda Items**

Cllr. Brundle declared a pecuniary interest in Agenda Item 7 – Planning consent for Sunnydene.

**3318 Confirm Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 15th June 2021**

The Minutes of 15th June 2021 were confirmed. Proposed by Cllr. Groves-Bond. Seconded by Cllr. Harris.

**3319 Finance**

3319.1 The Financial Statement for 30th June 2021 was approved.

3319.2 Payments were agreed and cheques signed for :

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **Payee** | **Service** | **Amount** |
| Ace Accountants | Payroll | £5.00 |
| Lynda Skuse | Clerk Salary | £263.60 |
| HMRC | PAYE | £24.80 |
| AEB Price | Strimming | £100 |

3319.3 The budget for 21/22 was formally adopted.

**3320 Defibrillator Maintenance**

A sum of approximately £400.00 was agreed to replace expired equipment within the boxes.

 **Action:** Cllr. Groves-Bond to supply details to Clerk

 Clerk to purchase equipment

**3321 Planning Applications**

|  |
| --- |
| Sunnydene, Coldharbour Road, Brockweir, Chepstow. |
| Discharge of condition 05 (hard and soft landscaping) relating to P0391/20/FULCllr. Brundle left the room during this discussion.Councillors had no comment to make on this application.  |
| P1041/21/FUL -Hopewell Barn, Bailey Lane, Hewelsfield, Lydney. |
| Change of use from holiday permission to full residential permission.Councillors once again took the view that this could set a precedent for change of use for other holiday homes within the parish and could be seen as a circumvention of the planning regulations. There is a need to attract tourism to the area, bringing additional economy, and holiday lets are much in demand. |

The Clerk was asked to convey these comments to FODDC planning department.

 **Action:**  Clerk

**3322 The Future of the Brockweir Inn**

A surveyor had been engaged to conduct a valuation of the property and his report is expected within the next two weeks. It was confirmed that the parish council will work collaboratively with the CIC.

**3323 Review of the Definitive Map**

Cllr. Harris had received some responses from parishioners, including requests to increase the status of some footpaths. These responses will be included in the overall review of the Definitive Map which will be discussed at the Autumn meeting.

**3324 Refurbishment of the Telephone Box**

It was agreed to keep the colour the same and the Clerk was asked to obtain details of the colour etc.

Cllrs. Sinfield, Brundle and Fox to organise the refurbishment.

 **Action:** Clerk to obtain paint references.

**3325 Highways Local – Cllr. McFarling Fund**

Cllr. McFarling reminded the meeting that he was a budget holder for a small amount of funding for Highways/Footpath needs across the area. A sum had been allocated to our parish for a lengthsmen team to clear grips, cut back overgrown vegetation etc. plus a sum to help fund Kissing Gates on footpaths to allow access to a wider community and general road calming/signage where appropriate.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday 7th September at 7pm at the Mackenzie Hall.