**Held at:** Victory Hall, Neen Sollars, DY14 0AL

**Date**: 24/05/2023 **Start: 19.00 Hrs**

**Summons:**

Cllr Chris Jones (Chairman) 01584 890486

Cllr David Jones (Vice Chairman) 01299 271204

Cllr Steve Painter 01299 832981

Cllr Mazella Witts-Hewinson 01299 271258

Cllr Peter Bloomer 01299 271461

Clerk Gavin Hamilton 01299 271205

1. **Apologies:** None
2. **Declaration of Pecuniary Interest**: None
3. The Present Chair thanked the Present and Past Clerks for their work
4. **Dissolvement of Chair and Vice Chairperson:** by Clerk
5. **Election of Chair and Vice Chairperson:**

**Chair Person:** Proposed: Cllr Painter Seconded: Cllr Bloomer

**Vice Chair Person;** Proposed: Cllr Cllr C Jones Seconded: Cllr Witts-Hewinson

1. **Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting 03/04/2022**

Agreed Proposed: Cllr Painter Seconded: Cllr Bloomer

1. **Accounts**

**Accts today: Treasurers £4450.48**

Received SCC £9268.35 26/4/23 and Solar Farm £3748 28/4/23

**High Point Community Benefit £1572.83** Tranferred £5000 on 25/1/23 to Business

**Business Acct (Higher interest) £22279.56** Transferred £9K 25/1/23 and £9K 15/5/23 from Treasurers

1. **Annual Accounts under Audit** (see note re EGM to agree accounts before being sent to external Auditor)
   * **Community Benefit**

£10320.83 including transfer and this years money

* + **Parish Assets**

Milson £6587.35 Neen £10568.35

* + **Receipts to Council.**

As above in Treasures acct

* + **Environment Maintenance Grant (EMG)**

received £1500 for the agreed ongoing care of roads, paths etc by Lengthsman as agreed by Parish Council

1. **Precept and Annual Governance review**

Precept was increased to pay for AED’s which will need replacing in 2 years

Grit boxes: once fitted SCC will fill and SCC will fit

Salary increases: Lengthsman is a Contractor and Clerk is directly employed.

1. **Salt boxes alongside roads/hills** as per email sent out earlier, still awaiting SCC to confirm size! Approx £800 cost. SCC have agreed to fit.
2. **Speed Limits:** This issue is ongoing, Clerk had received emails from Geoff Brough and after speaking to him we are in a queue of at least 700 for introduction of Speed limits. Chair wanted to explore further the use Visual Analogue Signs on Milson Green as Parish Councils owns this. Mail drop to Milson Parishioners. Mr R Steigerwald (Pennyfields) advised of his and partners concerns, also Clerk and Chair had received complaints from other Parishioners.
3. **Defibrillators:** nothing to report and new defib batteries and pads to be fitted, by July 23.
4. **Lengthsman progress** **report:** Lengthsman report, ongoing issues with grit filling drains, poor road surface, roads needing a sweeper. Poor state of repair.

*(Parish Council voted on pay rise for Lengthsman and Clerk. Proposed £13.98, but agreed to round up to £14 an hour* ***Proposed*** *D Jones* ***Seconder*** *S Painter. Clerk to paid as per pay scale with NALC. Added later)*

1. **Web Site.** All seems to be ok, Judi Knight helping
2. **Dogs fouling footpaths.**Brought up at last meeting but no complaints recently
3. **Flooding risks:** Still evidence of damming further upriver from Bridge. This is down to Shakenhurst and Cllr D Jones will liaise.
4. **Moto cross events, clay pigeon shooting in Neen Sollars.**

No complaints received about Shakenhurst and Mr G Plunkett said this year’s event was a great improvement , Hazeley Grange has one this Sunday 28/5/23.

1. **Severn Trent Water:** A further leak had happened and the Clerk reiterated that all those involved must carry on complaining to Severn Trent to force it up their work list.
2. **Broadband:** Clerk added that until Clows Top exchange and Copper were replaced in 2023-24 nothing would happen with FTTP. Chair Jones added there were alternative options. Carl Price mentioned that he knew of 3 houses, Trapnell Cottage, Three Pools and Clod Hall, that were not included in any Broadband and also had poor Signal.
3. **Planning** *:* Plans sent to Cllrs re extension at Moat Hs and early notice for Change of use for Martin Schoelles had been classed as Unlawful for their Summer Hs. Further plans for the provision of Stabling and outdoor menage at Neen’s Hill view.
4. **Place Plan** *or Parish Plan:*

Cllr C Jones:

As we had one in place this should allow us to access CIL payments from any Class Q developments. Repeat exercise; Speeding, Size of vehicles, Milson Green as a playground etc .

Parish Council had a poor response previously from the 52 houses in Neen Sollars and 36 Houses in Milson

1. **Public Participation:** Mr R Steigerwald, Mr and Mrs Mason
2. **Public Correspondence. None**
3. **Meeting Dates 2023/24: Cllr C Jones suggested 10am and Cllr D Jones suggested an evening meeting every 6/12’s to aid Public Participation**
4. **Meeting Closed: 20:25**

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