PAUNTLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of Pauntley Parish Council held in Pauntley Village Hall on Tuesday 15 July 2014 at 7.45 pm.

Present: Councillor Mrs B Bainbridge, Chairman; Councillors Mr N Fowke, Mrs A Rawson,

Mr P Chapman, Mr J Stallard

In attendance: The Clerk, Mrs L Harding

One member of the public was present.

1. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES AND ACCEPTABLE REASONS FOR ABSENCE

Apologies had been received from Councillor Philipps and from two members of the public, Mr and Mrs Crompton, who were on holiday.

2. TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATION OF PERSONAL OR PREJUDICIAL INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

There were no declarations of personal or prejudicial interest in items on the agenda.

3. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE FROM THE CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

Following their re-election at the AGM on 12 May, Declarations of Acceptance of Office were received from the Chair and Vice Chair.

4. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 12 MAY 2014

The minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 12 May 2014 were approved.

5. TO DEAL WITH ANY ACTIONS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE ABOVE MEETING

Items arising are to be considered on the agenda.

6. FINANCE

- a) The Clerk reported that the balance at the bank at 30 June was £6,068.30. All monies have now been paid over to the Village Hall, with the exception of the £250 Pride of the Forest Award.
- b) It was resolved to pay the Clerk's salary for the three months April, May and June of £547.82 (£182.61 per month), details as supplied by Thirsk Payroll.
- c) The Clerk reported that the external audit for 2013-2014 by Grant Thornton had been satisfactorily completed. A notice regarding the rights of electors to inspect the accounts has been posted.
- d) It was resolved to pay expenses for the Chairman of £95.60 for the Annual Parish Meeting.
- e) Councillor Rawson would be a third signatory for the parish council bank account and will complete the necessary form and return it to the Clerk.
- f) The Village Hall Committee had made a request for a grant to help with the purchase of a new shed, as the old one is no longer waterproof and cannot be used for storing the garden furniture or the barbecue. After consideration of the forecast for expenditure for the remainder of 2014-2015, and allowing for £1,200 to be carried

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election in May 2015, it was resolved that a grant be made for this purpose to a maximum amount of £1,000.

7. TO CONSIDER AND RESOLVE ON AMENDED FINANCIAL REGULATIONS

These will be considered at the next meeting.

8. PLANNING

- a) To report on previous applications:
 - i) The Reddings, Welsh House Lane alterations and extension to dwelling and creation of new porch. Permission has been granted.

9. TO RECEIVE CORRESPONDENCE AS FOLLOWS AND AGREE A RESPONSE IF REQUIRED:

- a) Notification from the Forest of Dean District Council of its campaign for Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) status for the Forest of Dean.
- b) Notification from the Forest of Dean District Council that its Allocations Development Plan Document will go to Full Council on 17 July with a recommendation for approval and that consultation will begin shortly after that date.
- c) Request from the Forest of Dean District Council for comments on their Single Equality Scheme and Equality Objectives.

10. TO RECEIVE AND RESPOND TO INVITATIONS AS FOLLOWS:

- a) GAPTC's Annual General Meeting on Wednesday 16 July at 7.00 p.m. at Shire Hall, Gloucestershire.
- b) Notification from Gloucestershire Highways of a Highways Information Evening on Monday 21 July from 18.00 to 20.30 in the Council Chamber at Shire Hall.
- c) Launch of Forest Routes on Monday 8 September (all day) at West Dean Centre, Bream.

11. TO AGREE THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING OF PAUNTLEY PARISH COUNCIL

The next meeting of Pauntley Parish Council will be on Tuesday 16 September at 7.45 p.m.

12. TO CONSIDER ANY OTHER URGENT RELEVANT BUSINESS

The Clerk had been notified by the Forest of Dean District Council of changes to car parking fees, including at their car park in Newent. The charge of 20p will now apply for the first two hours instead of for one hour only.

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