Minutes of the Rodsley Village Meeting

Held on 12th April 2017

At Wyaston Village Hall

**Chair**: Mr R Nuttall **Clerk:** Mrs J Bailey

**Present:** Ruth Jordan, Margaret Foot, Jim Bates, Freda Sills, Tina and David Ryding, Terri Jones, District Cllr Tony Morley

**Apologies:** County Cllr Steve Bull

**The meeting commenced at 7 pm.**

**The Minutes of the Previous Meeting** held on 5th April 2016 were ratified and signed by the Chair. This was proposed by Jim Bates and seconded by R Nuttall.

**The Sherwin Charity.** Terri Jones informed the meeting that, following the addition of this year’s £1 and about 16p interest, approximately £153 would be the balance in the account. There have been no grants now for the last 12 years and since the nearest Britannia office is now in Derby it was felt that steps should be taken to amalgamate this charity with the Coke’s Education Charity. Terri will speak to the Charities commission to see if this can be achieved.

**Coke’s Education Charity.** Mr Cree, the clerk to the Trustees had sent a report for the year ending December 2016. Seven first time grants of £275 and seven further grants of £225 were made to 14 students in tertiary education or apprenticeships. £500 was granted to Longford Primary School for purchasing sets of books for use in guided reading lessons focusing on traditional texts. The total amount of grants awarded came to £4,000. The income from investments amounted to £3,636 and total ependiture to £4,135. The excess of expenditure over income was met by surplus funds from previous years.

**Coke’s Almshouse Charity.** Terri Jones reminded the meeting that the 3 houses in Longford were built and occupied and now bringing in an income of £1,300 per month. Operational costs are in profit and the loan is being repaid. The accounts are now complete and in the hands of the Charities Commission. Terri will provide copies of these.

**Statement of Parish Council Accounts**  Copies of this were circulated (see over). The Clerk told the meeting that they have not been audited but Terri Jones is in the process of doing this. The meeting was asked if there were any questions. Freda Sills asked if there was any progress with the replacement notice board in Yeaveley. The Clerk explained that one had been ordered after obtaining at least 3 estimates, and was expected early in May.

**Summary of Accounts to end of March 2017.**

**Receipts**

Precept £2,900.00

 C. Tax Support £ 0.00

 VAT Repayment £ 73.01

 Interest £ 1.91

 Derbyshire Assoc. Transparency Fund £ 121.89

 Refund of salary overpay £ 0.20

 Grant from DDDC towards notice board £ 600.00

 **£3,697.01**

**Payments**

 DALC Subs. £ 155.75

 Clerk’s salary to end Feb £1,488.67

 Norton Security £ 24.99

Petty Cash £ 31.41

Insurance £ 164.25

HMRC £ 279.00

Website Fee £ 111.75

Room Hire £ 55.00

 **£2,407.30**

**Excess of Receipts over Payments £1,289.71**

**Funds in Hand 1st April 2016 £4,300.69**

**Total £5,590.40**

**Funds in Account 00117946 £1,687.23**

**Funds in Account 00054278 £3,866.29**

**Petty Cash £ 36.88**

**Total £5,590.40**

The Chair told the meeting that the precept had been held at the same level for several years now because there are ample funds in the deposit account to cover any extra demands.

**Social Committee Report.** Margaret Foot told the meeting that there was nothing to report. There was no enthusiasm in the village to reactivate the Social Club. The only expenditure was for keeping the flower barrels at the cross roads stocked with flowers. This year one of the barrels would have to be replaced. Closing Funds at 31st December were £1,113.07

**AOB**. District Cllr Morley asked the meeting if they were happy with the performance of County Councillor Steve Bull and reminded them of the forthcoming election. He told the meeting that the Local Projects Grant was continuing and that they should apply to this for covering the cost of the flowers at the cross roads or any other local project. Applications do not have to go through the Parish Council. The Clerk agreed to help guide them through the process.

**There being no other business the meeting closed at 8 pm.**

**Signed…………………………………………………………………………..Date………………………………………………………..**