

Coln St Dennis Parish Council

AGM

Coln Valley Village Hall

Minutes of meeting held on 15th June 2023 at 6.30 pm.

**Present: Councillors:** Nick Dummett (NTD) Chair, Malcolm Carmichael (MC), Phillip Allen (PA)

**In attendance:** Wendy James (WJ) - Clerk

**Residents:** Penny Smallman, Fleur Grieten, Virginia Stourton.

**Visitor:** Cllr David Fowles (District Councillor for Coln Valley Ward)

**1. Apologies.** Harry Talbot Rice (HTR), Angie Kaye (AK)

**2. Election & Declaration of Officers.**

NTD reported at the meeting that 5 councillors applied for Election and all 5 were accepted, no other applications were received.

The committee elected NTD as Chair, Vice chair would remain that NTD would appoint one Councillor to the meeting prior to the meeting if he was absent, WJ was appointed Clerk.

**3. Minutes of the last AGM (23rd June 2022) meeting and actions arising.**

Minutes of the AGM meeting on 23rd June 2022 were distributed and approved. No actions arising. NTD signed minutes and WJ to publish on Parish Council website.

**4. Finances – approval of Year End Accounts 31/03/23 for Audit and Annual Return.**

ND explained that the AGAR 2022/23 form had been completed. ND read out items of the Accounting Statements and the councillors agreed YES to all, NTD asked if anybody had any questions, no questions were asked and NTD signed the form. WJ to scan and send Certificate of Exemption Part 2 to SBA team by 30<sup>th</sup> June 2023 and scan the complete form and put up on the Parish Council website.

**5. Confirmation of Planning Applications considered during the year.**

WJ informed the meeting that 13 planning applications had been received throughout the year. These applications had been confirmed and discussed at previous meeting throughout the year. Copies of these applications were at the meeting if anybody wanted to look at them.

**6. AOB**

**Presentation by visitor Cllr David Fowles**

NTD welcomed Cllr David Fowles to the meeting. Cllr David Fowles was elected as District Councillor for the Coln Valley Ward on 4<sup>th</sup> May 2023. Cllr David Fowles introduced himself to the meeting explaining that he had been a former councillor and his connections with the local area, CDC, Conservatives and Geoffrey Clifton-Brown. Cllr David Fowles would like to

help anybody within the area with local issues etc and can be contacted by email david.fowles@cotswold.co.uk.

### **Closure of Valley Bus Route 78**

Stagecoach who run the bus route in the Valley twice a week may stop this service in September 2023. Government money is received to run this service. Contact had been made by Virginia Stourton to Peter Stevens of Stagecoach approximately 1 week ago, but no reply has been received. The Bus route is a very important service for the community for people that cannot drive to get to Cirencester and social support. Cllr David Fowles offered to investigate this and will liaise with Virginia. NTD asked if the Parish Council could help in anyway, Virginia agreed she would report back to the Councillors with any development. It was suggested that Cllr Paul Hodgkinson should also be contacted about this.

### **Next Parish Council Meeting**

It was agreed that the next Parish Council Meeting would be held on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September at 6.30pm at the hall.

The meeting ended at 7.30pm