PUTLEY PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting on Thursday 21st January 2020 At 7.30 in the Putley Parish Hall Meeting Room

Present: Councillors Stanier (Chairman), Bodger, Booth, Herbst, Denman and Daly.

1. To receive apologies for absence.

Apologies were received from Councillor Foster.

2. To record any Declarations of Interest and consider any Requests for dispensations.

There were no declarations of interest.

3. To receive a report from the Herefordshire Council Ward Member.

Councillor Lester updated Council on the proposed budget for 2020/21, currently suggested at 4%, with 2% being ringfenced for adult social care. There is also a proposal to spend £39 million on electric buses as and when grants become available.

- 4. To approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meetings held on 21st November and 16th December. **RESOLUTION** The minutes were amended to show Councillor Herbst was absent from the meeting and then accepted as a true record.
- 5. Finance:

A To consider payment of outstanding accounts.

Clerks salary for November and December

Lengthsman £171.00

B To note finance report.

C. To receive an update on the banking mandate.

The banking mandate has been rejected as amendments are required.

RESOLUTION Councillor Bodger will amend and resubmit the form.

- 6. Highways/Footpaths
 - a. Councillor Herbst will talk to the localities steward regarding the barriers in New Road.
 - b. Clerk will contact the housing association regarding the overgrown hedge at Near Green Close.
 - c. Councillor Herbst reported that the Lengthsman has been clearing debris in gullies etc.
 following the recent heavy rain and distributing sandbags to vulnerable properties.
 Replacement sandbags are no longer supplied by Herefordshire Council. A letter is to be sent to Welsh Water complaints department regarding the recent road closure.

RESOLUTION That Councillor Herbst is authorised to purchase more sandbags.

- d. Councillor Denman reported that the management of Ladies Wood are preparing to reinstate the footpath.
- 7. To receive an update on the Parish Emergency Plan.

There is currently no update available.

8. To receive an update on the website.

Councillor Bodger reported that the website has been updated, and that work is ongoing. The calendar is being populated to reflect events in the Parish.

9. To receive an update on the play area safety report.

Clerk reported that Fortis Living has become part of the Platform housing group. Despite phone calls and emails the report has not yet been received.

10. To consider content for the Cider Press.

Councillor Booth reported that he has met with the editorial group to discuss aspects of the content. He will introduce the website amongst other topics on the next Parish Council page.

11. To note the date of the next meeting, scheduled for Thursday 19th March 2020.

Signed *C Stallard Daniels* Clerk to the Parish Council 18 June 2020

