## Foxley Group Parish Council

## Minutes of the General Meeting held on Wednesday 10th May 2023

The meeting commenced at 6.55pm

Present: S.Hallett (Chairman), A.Davies, D.Gwynne, A.Apps, A.Powell In Attendance: R.Hallett (Clerk)

- 1) Draft Minutes of the General Meeting held on 1st February 2023 were accepted and signed by SH as a true record.
- 2) Matters Arising
  - a) The defibrillator in Mansel Lacy has had pads and batteries renewed at a cost of £163.00, excl VAT. This used a previous private donation, of which £260.20 remains. Since the council has funds for its maintenance, it was suggested that ownership of the unit be transferred to the council, from the Community Association, who could then insure it against theft. Agreement for this will be sought at the next Community Association meeting.
  - b) The coronation tea, organised by the Community Association on behalf of the council cost £299.67. The council will reimburse this amount. It was decided not to pursue the provision of commemorative mugs.
- 3) Finance
  - a) The regular report was presented (see Agenda). The first part of the precept has been received, £1,875, but the £2,339 drainage grant reimbursement is still outstanding.
  - b) Two alternative quotes for insurance were presented. In spite of being higher, Zurich was chosen based on a higher level of confidence in their willingness to settle claims.
- 4) Highways
  - a) All 22/23 drainage grant work was completed, £2,339 reimbursement from Herefordshire Council still outstanding.
  - b) The additional scope under the 22/23 Lengthsman contract has been invoiced in advance, £770, to Herefordshire Council although there is currently no answer on when this will be received.
  - c) No Lengthsman contract for 23/24 has been issued with no answer on when this will be done. It is understood that this year, Herefordshire Council will make a contribution toward Lengthsman costs although, as yet, there is no detail on how this will work. The Annual Maintenance Plan scope from 22/23 was confirmed as still applicable.
  - d) The Coach House Interiors roadside signs have been moved back to a better position and now sit on private land.
  - e) It was decided to retain verge cutting twice a year.
- 5) Planning
  - a) There were no comments made against the existing planning applications.
- 6) Any Other Business
  - a) There was no Ward Councillor present.
  - b) No policing priorities were set at this time.
  - c) AP raised that vehicles on the B4230 approaching from Mansel Gamage were not slowing sufficiently at Moorhampton and pedestrians, particularly from the caravan park, were at risk crossing the road. AP and SH to form a view as to what action would be desirable. RH to check the process for additional road signs and/or speed restrictions.

- d) AP raised the lack of a bus shelter at the junction of the B4230 and the A480. At times, this is well used by customers at the caravan park and currently people just stand on the verge. This leaves them exposed to both adverse weather and passing traffic. AP and SH to look at reinstatement of the bus shelter, RH to check the process.
- 7) The next meeting was confirmed as Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> August at 6.30pm.

The meeting closed at 7.35pm