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**MINUTES**

**Of the meeting held on**

**Thursday 23rd November 2023 at 6.30 p.m.**

Present: Cllrs Smith (Chair), Rachel Mahon (Vice Chair) Crow, Currie and Helen Mahon

Apologies were received from Cllr Currie

**Minutes of the meeting held on 21st September 2023**

The minutes of the meeting held on 21st September were agreed as an accurate record.

**Matters arising**

There were no matters arising.

**Crowedge Play Area**

The Annual inspection report has been received. Several issues have been identified and some items of work are required. Given the inclement weather, any work will have to wait until the Spring. Cllr Smith will investigate erecting a sign with required information, as per the recommendation within the report .

**Dunford Residents Association**

An update was provided. Councillors were asked to note that the Halloween Party was a great success. The Mayor of Penistone attended. The tractor run is scheduled for 2nd December, returning to the community centre for refreshments including bar, raffle etc. Funds are being raised for Pensitone Gateway Club. Christmas Market 18 stands, scheduled for 25th November. Caravanners stayed for 10 days, with over 40 units, live bands and children’s entertainment. Wreath making 4th December. Regular football matches are being reorganized due to bad weather. New toilets 3rd January funded by Banks. The centre will be closed for 3 weeks. Training on Food Hygiene is planned shortly.

**Planning Applications**

No applications have been received directly by the Clerk, but Councillors are advised to check Planning Explorer themselves in case some are missed.

Planning application 2022/0841 – demolition of agricultural barn and erection of 2 dwellings at Victoria. – no comments

2023/0930 – discharge of conditions, tree protection methods and landscaping for erection of a garage at Bents Villa – no comments

2023/0907 – erection of child’s playhouse in rear of garden at No. 5 Pennine Edge – no comments

**Finance**

Monthly accounts were accepted and agreed. Councillors were asked to note that electricity usage has increased recently. This may be due to increased usage of the community centre.

Grant funding has been received for defibrillators.

Replacement parts have been ordered for the phone box at Carlecotes as some items ordered previously were not correct. £416 remains outstanding. Steve Mahon was thanked for all his hard work in restoring the phone box, which is much appreciated.

**Any other business**

*Mel’s bench* – A complaint has been received that work has not been done to the bench. It was agreed that the work was to be done by volunteers as part of a community project in May. Unfortunately the project was cancelled and the Parish Council does not have funds to carry out work on what is a private item of street furniture which has degraded due to wear and tear, and is not covered by any insurance. A carrier bag of correspondence has been received which indicates that Crowedge Playground Association has £100 of funding, which could be used to repair/refurbish the bench. It seems the Association is no longer in existence, therefore the correspondence is to be returned so that enquiries can be made to establish how to access the funding so that it can be used for this purpose.

*Plevin* – A local resident had contacted the Parish Council regarding air quality. The Parish Council is in regular contact with Plevin and issues have been discussed. The resident has been informed.

**Date and time of next meeting:**

Thursday 18th January 2024 at 6.30 p.m. at the Parish Community Centre,

Sheffield Road, Victoria HD9 7TP.