

Wield Parish Council
Meeting – Wednesday 6 December 2016
8.15pm in the Village Hall

Those present: Alwin Hutchinson (Chair), Kate Gibbons, Catherine Martin, Rob Cooper, Bob George, Robert Grande and Jean Frost (Clerk),

Apologies – None

1. Minutes of last meeting

Were signed as a true and accurate record

2. Matters arising

There were none

3. Financial report

The accounts were in good standing

- J Frost explained that the PC had been invoiced for cutting grass in and around the Village hall area. As this area was managed by the Village hall Committee an invoice had been sent to the VHC for recovery of that portion of the original invoice.
- A grant of £750 had been awarded by HCC for flood relief.
- A request received from EHDC requires a decision about the precept for 2017/8. No decision made. It was suggested that a careful review of grants awarded should be made and monitoring the amount EHDC raised the council tax for 2017/8. This topic added to the next PC meeting.

4. Footpaths

Cllr Grande met with HCC footpath officer who advised that no repairs will be undertaken until spring 2017. All footpath signs will be repaired and HCC will consider replacement where necessary.

5. Roads

Digging of ditches is ongoing.

Cllr met with Mr Derek Rule (HCC) who was very helpful. Mr Rule was asked if signs could be erected to keep HGVs out of the centre of the village. He was advised that there could be no change in the policy.

PC discussed putting up warning notices and it was acknowledged that they would probably be ignored. Red plastic signs that could be fixed to poles at a cost of £8.50 each was suggested and Cllr Copper agreed to investigate.

The white lining at the triangle in Upper Wield is in urgent need of repainting; could avoid an accident. Cllr Cooper will investigate.

6. Any other business

- I. Salt bins - are all being refilled shortly
- II. Suggestion that the PC should join with Bradley PC – not possible Bradley is in Basingstoke and Deane DC area. Wield is in EHDC.

7. Dates of next meeting

Tuesday 14 March 2017 8.15pm