**CUTSDEAN PARISH COUNCIL ANNUAL MEETING**

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**MINUTES OF MEETING**

**St Mary’s Church, Temple Guiting December 15th 2020 AT 6.30PM**

1. Present at this meeting – Cllr Butler, Cllr Beetson, Cllr Moor and Cllr Wright, Cllr Smith
2. Apologies - Cllr Clarke.
3. Declarations – none to record.
4. Minutes of the September 2020 approved by all present.
5. Report from Cllr Moor –
	1. There has been extensive tree clearance along the Fosse due to ash die back. Over 3000 trees have already been cleared. There is a £1.3m budget for this project.
	2. Highways – the stretch on Buckle Street leading up to Trafalgar crossroads is on the schedule to be repaired but not resurfaced.
	3. The large dip that has appeared again on the Snowshill road near the Gloucestershire/ Worcestershire border is still an issue. Clerk to send a photograph to Cllr Moor.
	4. Climate change – many areas now carbon neutral – electric vehicles becoming more popular will also aid the progress here.
	5. Voucher scheme – no child to go hungry – this will be implemented over Christmas.
	6. Schools – A new secondary school is to be built in Cheltenham at a cost of £15m. The Cotswold school in Bourton on the Water is undergoing a £1.5m extension – all are carbon neutral.
	7. We have the lowest council tax rates of any county in England.
6. Report from Clerk:
	1. Register of pecuniary interests – none to be noted.
	2. Defibrillator grant – We have received the grant into our bank account. Clerk has chased the Heartbeat Trust but no response yet.
	3. Precept – the precept for 2021/2022 was discussed. It will stay at the current amount of £1300. Cllr Smith proposed the precept and Cllr Wright seconded the motion.
7. Matters arising not covered hereunder.
	1. Contractor quotes – Cllr Clarke to speak to Richard to obtain a quote for the trimming of the verge around the signs.
	2. Parking proposal – This has not progressed as yet. If it is agreed, speed bumps would be a must along with a border between the parking and the road.
	3. Snowshill Road – see 5c above.
8. To receive a financial report, authorise payments.
	1. Financial statement – circulated and agreed by all.
9. Public adjournment – no members of the public present.
10. Planning – Quarry applications are ongoing, but surveys have been commissioned across the county to see the impact they are already having in terms of factors such as the proportion of HGVs on the roads. Cllr Moor is confident that the impact of the quarries is being monitored in a more comprehensive way than before.
11. Correspondence – nothing to note at this time.

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1. AOB – Cutsdean Church – the church is still closed due to COVID – the concerns in respect of the condition of the inside of the church have been raised with the church warden.
2. Date of next meeting Tuesday 12th January 2020.

Meeting closed at 7.18pm

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

By email: Denny Beetson, Ted Smith, Matthew Butler, Chris Clarke, Nigel Moor,David Wright

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