

Milton Damerel Parish Council Minutes

Of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 18th January 2023 in Milton Damerel Parish Hall commencing at 7.30pm.

Present: Councillors Stephen Moyse Chair, Richard Piper Vice- Chair, Peter Buckpitt, Teresa Walters Rose Haynes and Jim Richardson, also present was Lorraine Buttery- Clerk.

1. Apologies were received from: Parish Councillor Gareth Piper, District Councillors Kit Hepple and Ken James
2. **Declarations of Interest**
 - a) Register of Interest: Councillors are reminded of the need to update their register of interests. *None were declared.*
 - b) To declare any personal interests in items on the agenda and their nature. *None were declared*
 - c) To declare any disclosable pecuniary interests in items on the agenda and their nature. *None were declared*
3. **Chair's announcements:**

The Chair Councillor Stephen Moyse wished those present a Happy and Prosperous New Year
4. **Public Comments**

No members of the public were present
5. The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 21st December 2022 had been circulated by email, they were then unanimously approved as a true record of the meeting, they were duly signed by the Chair Councillor Stephen Moyse.
6. **County and District Councilor's reports:**

No Councillors present.
7. **Matters arising**
 - 1) The permanent memorial was discussed, the Chair wondered whether steel figurines instead of a Bench would be more appropriate. Councillor Jim Richardson commented that there was a local Company that makes excellent iron/steel figurines, he will get the details and send to the Clerk. The Clerk informed the Councillors that with Councillor Hepple's encouragement had applied for the grant.
 - 2) The Clerks mileage was discussed and unanimous decision of the Councillors was that the mileage claim be set at .45p per mile as per HM tax office guidelines..
8. **Planning Applications**

None received
9. **Planning decisions**

None received
- Planning Appeals**

None received

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10. Financial Matters

- a) The following cheques were unanimously approved and three Councillors duly signed:
 - i) Clerk’s salary £263.36
 - ii) Hall Hire Sep-Dec £21.
- b) financial report to date, all Councillors had received a spread sheet of the accounts, no issues were raised, and were unanimously approved. The bank balance of £3,449.43 was supported by the current bank statement and upheld with the bank reconciliation.
The balance consists of ring-fenced funds: SBIT £103.02, P3 £174.65, and DAAT £940.83.
The remaining balance £2,230.93 being Parish Council general funds.
- c) The budget for the financial year 2023-2024 was formally unanimously approved, the Precept was set at £4,750.
- d) The Direct Debit for December for EDF was not taken, the Clerk had telephoned EDF for an explanation, they informed the Clerk that there might be Government aid for businesses, they will inform the Clerk of any decisions made.

11. Correspondence as below and as available at the time of the meeting

All correspondence has been sent by email and forwarded to Councillors, none received by post, no issues were raised.

12. Matters brought forward with the permission of the Chairman

- 1) Councillor Richard Piper commented on the condition of some of the roads surrounding The Village.
- 2) Councillor Peter Buckpitt commented on the amount of dog fouling in the village, it is difficult To find out who the inconsiderate dog owners are.
- 3) Councillor Jim Richardson updated the Councillors of the plans for the Parish Hall, the intention Is to break up the concrete skittle alley and purchase a portable wood surface. The plan is also, to increase the heating and then hold small meetings in there instead of people having to hire the hall.
- 4) Councillor Moyse had a flyer regarding memorabilia for the Kings Coronation, the cost of a mug for children would be £6.50, decisions on this and what events might be planned would be discussed at the next meeting.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.15pm