

Thelbridge Parish Council

Minutes

October 21st, 2020

Venue: Zoom Conference

Present: Cllrs Boundy, Clements, Cowell, Hayes, Gillbard, Grant, Wainwright (MDDC)

- I. Approval of minutes from last meeting 9th September 2020
The minutes were approved and will be signed at a later date.
- II. Public forum
One member of the public was present.
- III. Declarations of interest
There were none.
- IV. Report from Cllr Wainwright (Mid Devon District Council) drew attention to the MDDC governance review with public meetings to be arranged in the next week or so. The Climate Action Plan has been signed off and a website is being setup to promote it. As the number of COVID-19 cases gradually increases meetings are to continue being held virtually wherever possible. There are a lot of concerns regarding the Planning for the Future white paper.
- V. Clerk's report

Auto-enrolment

The re-declaration for auto-enrolment with the Pensions Regulator has been completed; this is a requirement every three years.

SLCC Annual Conference

A short report of the sessions attended will be circulated with the draft minutes and published on the website.

VI. Finance

- a) The following payments were approved: Zoom £28.78, DALC £18.00, printing & postage £15.30, Thelbridge PCC grant application £100. It was **resolved** to adopt the Zoom annual licence which provides a saving of £2.40 per month.
- b) Statement of accounts and budget monitoring reports to be issued with the minutes.

- VII. Wind turbine – after discussion it was **resolved** to reference the approach that has been made to the Council in the next newsletter and to await the outcome of the second reading of the Local Electricity Bill in the House of Commons in January. It was felt that a leaflet from the local action group to all parish households providing information and requesting feedback would be helpful in informing the Council of the community response to the concept of a wind turbine in the parish.
- VIII. Local Government Boundary Commission proposals for Mid Devon ward boundary changes – concerns were expressed that, under the current circumstances, there has not been the opportunity to consult on the latest proposals. Councillors may provide their own response to the consultation.
- IX. Planning
There are no new planning applications.
- X. Items for future agenda
Wind turbine
Broadband provision
Budget for 2021/22
- XI. Future meeting date
2nd December 2020

The meeting closed at 21:42

Signed W. K. Bourdy (Chairman) Date 7th Nov 2020