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For And On Behalf Of
Hill Croome Parish Council
Clerk - Michael Brooks
Vine Cottage Baughton Earls Croome WR8 9DQ

THE MINUTES OF HILL CROOME PARISH COUNCIL Annual Meeting` **Held at Earls Croome Village Hall at 7.30PM on Tuesday 14th May 2019**

Present: Councillors Smith, Brooks, Jarvis and Eaton.

In attendance: Two members of the parish and our County Councillor

1. Election of Chairman Councillor P Smith was nominated for the chair by Cllr Brooks, seconded by Cllr Jarvis. There were no other nominations and Cllr Smith was unanimously returned. Declaration of Acceptance of Office signed.

2. Apologies – Councillor Owenson MHDC

Meeting was adjourned for Public question time, the Chairman deciding to open the floor at the end of the meeting.

3. Declaration of Interests - Councillors completed new Declaration of Interest forms and Declaration of Acceptance of Office paperwork.

4. Approve Standing Orders - Proposal to retain existing Standard Orders (2018) – unanimously approved.

5. Approve Code of Conduct - Proposal to retain existing Code of Conduct (2018) – unanimously approved.

6. Approve Councils' Financial Regulations – Proposal to approve current Financial Regulations (2018) – unanimously approved

7. Minutes – Minutes for the meeting held on 8th May 2018 signed as a true record.

8. Village Gates - The recently fitted village gates were the subject of a vigorous discussion. The design, size, location and suitability were all questioned. The feedback from villagers has seen a mix of anger, incredulity, frustration and amusement. The result so far is a disaster and the Clerk has written to the Highways Dept. to request that the gates are removed and full and proper discussions are held before any further work is done. This course of action was supported by Cllr Middlebrough who will make his own observations to the Highways Dept..

9. Progress reports

- a. The 'toad' signs have been purchased and will be erected in time for next spring.
- b. The dummy camera for the lay-by has been purchased and awaits fitting.
- c. The second speed sign has been ordered but finance is still awaited from the County Council.

10. Planning

No current applications.

11. Finance

1. Council provided with full details of receipts and payments since last meeting.
2. Proposal to place funds to reserves - £1000 to be transferred from the current account to the deposit. This allocation to be reflected in the Grass Cutting and Clerks' Remuneration in the budget forecast (£500 per element).

Chairman - Phillippe Smith
Clerk - Michael Brooks

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12. District and County councillor reports – no reports

13. Correspondence – no matters arising

14. Councillors reports and items for future agenda Cllr Smith reminded the Clerk about the manhole covers adjacent to Myrtle Cottage creating significant vibration when traffic passes over them. Report required to Severn Trent with a copy to Cllr Middlebrough.

15. Date of next meeting: Tuesday 20th August 2019 at 7.30pm at Earls Croome Village Hall

Signed: (Chairman)

Date

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